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City
of
Somerville

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City of Somerville

City Charter

In the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy one

Act

An Act

of

To establish the City of Somerville

Incorporation

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in the General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. The inhabitants of the Town of Somerville shall continue to be a body politic and corporate, under the name of the City of Somerville, and as such shall have, exercise and enjoy all the rights, immunities, powers and privileges, and shall be subject to all the duties and obligations now incumbent upon and pertaining to the said Town as a municipal corporation

Mayor

Section 2. The administration of all the fiscal, prudential and municipal affairs of the said City, with the government thereof, shall be vested in one officer, to be called the Mayor, one council of eight, to be called the board of aldermen, and one council of sixteen, to be called the common council; which boards, in their joint capacity, shall be denominated the city council; and the members thereof shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their respective duties. A majority of each board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and no member of either board shall receive any compensation for his services

Aldermen

Common Council

City Council

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Select-men of said Town, as soon as may be after the passage of this act and its acceptance as herein provided, to divide said Town into four wards, so that they shall contain, as nearly as may be consistent with well defined limits to each ward, an equal number of voters in each ward, which division may be revised by the City Council within two years from the passage thereof. The city council may, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy five, and in every tenth year thereafter, make a new division of said wards, so that they shall contain, as nearly as may be consistent with well defined limits to each ward, an equal number of voters in each ward, according to the census to be taken in the month of May in said years

Division into Wards

Section 4. The election of city and ward officers shall take place on the first Monday of December, annually, and the municipal year shall begin on the first Monday of January following.

Election of Officers

Municipal Year

Section 5. On the first Monday of December annually there shall be elected by ballot, in each of said wards, a Warden, Clerk and three inspectors of elections, who shall be different persons, residents in the ward, who shall hold their offices one year and until others shall be elected and qualified in their stead; said wardens shall preside at all ward meetings, with the powers of Moderators of town meetings, with the powers of Moderators of town meetings; and if at any meeting the warden is not present, the clerk shall preside until a warden pro tempore is elected by ballot; if both the warden and clerk are absent, the senior in age of the inspectors present shall preside until a warden pro tempore is thus elected; and if all said officers are absent, any legal voter in said ward may preside until a warden pro tempore is elected; when any ward

Ward Officers

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officer is absent or neglects to perform his duty his office shall be filled pro tempore. The clerk shall record all the proceedings and certify the votes, and deliver to his successor in office all the records, journals, documents and papers held by him in his said capacity. The inspectors shall assist the warden in receiving, assorting, and counting the votes. All said officers shall be sworn to a faithful discharge of their duties, said oath to be administered by the clerk to the warden, and by the warden to the clerk, and to the inspectors, or to either of said officers, by any justice of the peace for the county of Middlesex. Certificates of such oaths shall be made by the clerk upon the ward records.

Clerk

Inspectors

All warrants for meetings of the citizens for municipal purposes, to be held either in wards or in general meetings, shall be issued by the Mayor and Aldermen, and shall be in such form, and served and returned in such manner and at such times, as the city council shall direct. The compensation of the ward officers shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council.

Warrants

Compensation

Section 6. The Mayor and Aldermen are authorized, when no convenient ward room for holding ward meetings of the citizens of either of the wards of the city can be had within the territorial limits of such wards, to appoint and direct, in the warrants for calling the ward meetings of such wards, the said meetings to be held in some convenient and proximate place within the limits of any other of the wards of said city; and for such purposes the places so assigned for the meetings of such ward shall be deemed and taken to be included in and part of said ward, as though the same was within the territorial limits thereof.

Ward Rooms

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Section. 7. The Mayor shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city at large, voting in their respective wards, and shall hold his office for the municipal year next following his election, and until another shall be elected and qualified in his place. — Election of Mayor

Section. 8. Eight aldermen, two aldermen being selected from each ward, shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city at large, voting in their respective wards, who shall hold their office for the municipal year next following their election, and until a majority of the new board shall be elected and qualified in their places. — Election of Aldermen

Section. 9. Four common councilmen shall be elected by and from the voters of each ward, and shall at the time of their election be residents of the wards respectively in which they are elected; they shall hold their offices for the municipal year next following their election, and until a majority of the new board shall be elected and qualified in their places. — Election of Common Council

Section. 10. On the first Monday of December annually, the qualified voters in the several wards shall give in their votes by ballot, for Mayor, aldermen and common councilmen, in accordance with the provisions of this act; and all the votes so given shall be assorted, counted, declared and recorded in open ward meeting by causing the names of persons voted for, and the number given for each, to be written in the ward record at length. — City Election — Declaration — Vote

The clerk of the ward, within twenty four hours thereafter, shall deliver to the persons elected members of the common council, certificates of their elections respectively signed by the warden and clerk and a majority of the inspectors of elections, and shall deliver to the City Clerk a copy of the record of such elections, certified in like manner. The board of aldermen shall within two — Certificate of Election

days thereafter examine the copies of the general wards, certified as aforesaid, and shall cause the person who shall have been elected mayor to be notified in writing of his election; but if the person elected shall refuse to accept the office, the board shall issue warrants for a new election, and the same proceedings shall be had in all respects as are herein before provided for the election of Mayor, and from time to time shall be repeated, until a mayor shall be elected and shall accept said office.

Aldermen to certify

In case of the decease, resignation or absence of the mayor or of his inability to perform the duties of his office, or in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor from any cause, it shall be the duty of the Board of aldermen and common council respectively, by vote, to declare that a vacancy exists and the cause thereof; and thereupon the City Council shall, by concurrent vote, elect a mayor to fill such vacancy; and the mayor thus elected shall hold his office until the inability causing such vacancy shall be removed or until a new election.

Mayor vacancy how filled

Each alderman shall be notified in writing of his election by the mayor and aldermen for the time being. The oath prescribed by this act shall be administered to the mayor by the city clerk, or by any justice of the peace for the County of Middlesex. The alderman and common councilmen elect shall on the first Monday of January, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, meet in convention, when the oath required by this act shall be administered to the members of the two boards present, by the Mayor or by any justice of the peace for the county of Middlesex, and a certificate of such oath having been taken, shall be entered on the journal of the mayor and aldermen, and of the common council, by their respective clerks.

Oath administered to City Government

After the oath has been administered as aforesaid, the two boards shall separate, and the common council shall be organized by the election of a president and clerk, to hold their office respectively during the pleasure of the common council, the clerk to be under oath faithfully to

Common Council organised

perform the duties of his paid office; and his compensation shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council.

In case of the absence of the mayor elect on the first Monday of January, or if a mayor shall not then have been elected, the city council shall organize itself in the manner herein before provided, and may proceed to business in the same manner as if the mayor was present; and the oath of office may at any time thereafter, in convention of the two boards, be administered to the mayor, and any member of the city council who may have been absent at the organization. In the absence of the mayor, the board of aldermen may elect a presiding officer, pro tempore, who shall also preside at the joint meetings of the two boards. Each Board shall keep a record of its own proceedings, and judge of the elections of its own members; and in case of vacancy in either board, the mayor and aldermen shall issue their warrant for a new election

Presiding Officer

Pro Tempore

Section 11. The mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the city. It shall be his duty to be active and vigilant in causing the laws and regulations of the city to be enforced, and to keep a general supervision over the conduct of all subordinate officers and he may, whenever in his opinion the public good may require, remove with the consent of the appointing power, any officer over whose appointment he has, in accordance with the provisions of this charter, exercised the power of nomination. He may call special meetings of the boards of aldermen and common council, either of them when in his opinion the interest of the city require it, by causing notices to be left at the usual place of residence of each member of the board or boards to be convened. He shall from time to time communicate to both boards such information and recommend such measures as the business and interests of the city may in his opinion require. He shall preside in the board of aldermen and in convention of the two boards, but shall have a casting vote only. His salary for the

Mayor

duties of

and

salary

first five years, under this charter, shall be fixed by the city council, but shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars per annum. Afterwards, it shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council. It shall be payable at stated periods, but shall not, at any time, be increased or diminished during the year for which he is elected. He shall receive no other compensation.

Executive power of City Government

Section 12. The executive power of said city generally, with all the powers heretofore vested in the Selectmen of Towns by the laws of the Commonwealth, shall be vested in and may be exercised by the Mayor and aldermen as fully as if the same were herein specially enumerated. The mayor and aldermen shall have full and exclusive power to appoint a constable or constables, a chief of police with all the powers and duties of a constable, and all other police and all subordinate officers whose station is not herein provided for, and the same to remove at pleasure; and they may require any person who may be appointed a constable or a chief of police of the city to give bonds for the faithful discharge of the duties of the office with such security and to such amount as they may deem reasonable and proper; upon which bonds the like proceedings and remedies may be had as are by law provided in case of constables' bonds taken by the selectmen of towns. The compensation of the police and other subordinate officers shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council. The city council shall have the care and superintendence of the city buildings and the custody and management of all city property, with power to lease what may be legally let, and to sell or purchase property, real or personal, in the name and for the use of the city, whenever its interests or convenience may in their judgment require it; and they shall as often as once a year cause to be published for the use of the inhabitants a particular account of the receipts and expenditures, and a schedule of city property and of the city debt.

Appointment of subordinate officers

Bonds

Compensation

City Property

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Mayor power of nomination

Section 13. In all cases in which appointments are directed to be made by the mayor and aldermen, the mayor shall have the exclusive power of nomination being subject, however, to confirmation or rejection by the board of aldermen; and no person shall be eligible by appointment or election by the mayor ~~and~~ or aldermen or city council to any office of emolument, the salary of which is payable out of the city treasury, who at the time of such appointment or election shall be a member of the board of aldermen or of the common council. All meetings of the mayor and aldermen, of the common council and of the city council, shall be public when they are not engaged in executive business.

Election of Treasurer & Collector, City Clerk, Superintendent of Streets, City Physician, Engineers of Fire Department, Solicitor, Auditor

Section 14. The city council shall annually, as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect by joint ballot in convention, a treasurer and collector of taxes, city clerk, one or more superintendents of streets, a city physician, a chief engineer of the fire department and as many assistant engineers, not exceeding eight, as they may deem sufficient; and by concurrent vote, a city solicitor and city auditor, who shall hold their offices for the term of one year next ensuing, and until others shall be elected and qualified in their stead; provided however, that either of the officers named in this section may be removed at any time by the city council for sufficient cause. Vacancies occurring in the above named offices may be filled at any time. The compensation of the officers mentioned in this section shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council.

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Section 15. The city clerk shall also be clerk of the board of aldermen, and shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties. He shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed by the board of aldermen, and he shall perform all the duties and exercise all the powers incumbent by law upon him. He shall deliver to his successor in office, as soon as he shall be elected and qualified, all the records, journals, documents and papers held by him in his said capacity. City Clerk — duties of

Section 16. The city council shall annually, as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect by joint ballot in convention, a water committee of five persons who shall hold their offices for the term of one year next ensuing, and until others shall be elected and qualified in their stead. The persons so elected shall constitute the Somerville Water Supply board, and they shall have all the powers and rights conferred on the water committee of said Town by section three of chapter two hundred and two of the acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight. Vacancies occurring in the board may be filled by joint ballot of the city council at any time. Election of Water Board

Section 17. The city council elected in December in the year eighteen hundred and seventy one, shall as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect by joint ballot in convention three persons to be overseers of the poor, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year; and thereafter the city council shall annually as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect in the same manner one person who shall hold his office for the term of three years next ensuing. Election of Overseers of Poor

and until another shall be elected and qualified in his stead; but no more than one of the members so to be elected shall be eligible from any ward of said city. The persons so elected shall, with the mayor and president of the common council, constitute the board of overseers of the poor. The mayor shall be ex officio chairman of the board. Vacancies occurring in the board may be filled by joint ballot of the city council at any time; the member so elected to hold office only for the unexpired term of the member who has ceased to hold office. The city council may at any time remove any elected member of the said board from office for cause. The compensation of the overseers of the poor shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council.

Section. 18. The city council elected in December in the year eighteen hundred and seventy one, shall as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect by concurrent vote three persons to be assessors of taxes, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and thereafter the city council shall annually, as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect in the same manner, one person who shall hold his office for the term of three years, next ensuing, and until another shall be elected and qualified in his stead. The persons so elected shall constitute the board of assessors, and shall exercise the powers, and be subject to the liabilities and duties of assessors in towns. Vacancies occurring in the board may be filled by concurrent vote of the city council at any time, the member so elected to hold office only for the unexpired term of the member who has ceased to hold office. All taxes shall be assessed, apportioned and collected in the manner prescribed by the general laws of the commonwealth; provided however, that the city council may establish further or additional provisions for the collection thereof. The compensation

Election of Assessors

Vacancies how filled

Compensation

of the assessors shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council.

Section. 19. The city council shall annually, as soon after their organization as may be convenient, elect by concurrent vote, one person from each ward to be an assistant assessor; and it shall be the duty of the person so elected to furnish the assessors with all the necessary information relative to persons and property taxable in their respective wards, and they shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duty. Vacancies occurring may be filled by concurrent vote of the city council at any time. The compensation of the assistant assessors shall be fixed by concurrent vote of the city council.

Assistant Assessors

Section. 20. The qualified voters of each ward shall on the first Monday of December, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy one, elect by ballot three persons in each ward, who shall be residents of said ward, to be members of the school committee, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year from the first Monday of January, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy two; and thereafter on the first Monday of December annually, there shall be elected in the same manner one person in each ward, who shall be a resident in said ward, who shall hold his office for the term of three years from the first Monday of January next ensuing. The persons so elected shall, with the mayor and the president of the common council, constitute the board of school committee, and have the care and superintendence of the public schools. The mayor shall be ex officio chairman of the board. Vacancies occurring in the board may be filled by joint ballot of the city council and school committee at any time, the member so elected to hold office only for the remainder of the municipal year

School Committee

all the rights and obligations of said Town of Somerville in relation to the grant and appropriation of money for the support of schools, and the special powers and authority therefore conferred by law upon the inhabitants of said Town, to raise money for the support of schools therein, shall be merged in the powers and obligations of the city, to be exercised in the same manner as over other subjects of taxation; and all grants and appropriations of money for the support of schools and the erection and repair of school houses in said city, shall be made by the city council, in the same manner as grants and appropriations are made for other city purposes.

Section 21. The city council shall take care that no money be paid from the treasury unless granted or appropriated; and shall secure a just and proper accountability, by requiring bonds with sufficient penalties and sureties from all persons intrusted with the receipt, custody or disbursement of money. Treasury Bonds

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Section 22. The city council shall have exclusive authority and power to lay out any new street or town way, and to estimate the damages any individual may sustain thereby; but all questions relating to the subject of laying out, accepting, altering or discontinuing any street or way, shall first be acted upon by the Mayor and aldermen; and any person dissatisfied with the decision of the city council in the estimate of damages, may make complaint to the county commissioners of the County of Middlesex at any meeting held within one year after such decision, whereupon the same proceedings shall be had as are now provided by the laws of this Commonwealth, in cases where persons are aggrieved by the assessment of damages by Selectmen, in the forty third chapter of the General Statutes. Laying out of Streets

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Section 23. The city council may make by-laws with suitable penalties for the inspection, survey, measurement and sale of lumber, wood, hay, coal and bark brought into or offered in said city for sale, and shall have the same powers as the town had in reference to the suspension of the laws for the protection and preservation of useful birds, and of all other laws, the operation or suspension of which is subject to the action of the town thereon. The city council may also make all such salutary and needful by-laws as towns by the laws of this Commonwealth have power to make and establish, and to annex penalties, not exceeding twenty dollars, for the breach thereof; which by-laws shall take effect and be in force from and after the time therein respectively limited, without the sanction of any court, but subject to the approval of the mayor: provided, however, that all laws and regulations in force in said town shall, until they shall expire by their own limitation, or be repealed or repealed by the city council, remain in force; and all fines and forfeitures for the breach of any by law or ordinance shall be paid into the city treasury.

City Councils may make By Laws

Section 24. All elections of national, state county and district officers who are voted for by the people, shall be held at meetings of the citizens qualified to vote at such elections in their respective wards, at the time fixed by law for those elections respectively.

National State and County Elections

Section 25. Ten days prior to every election the mayor and aldermen shall make out lists of all the citizens of each ward qualified to vote in such elections, in the manner in which selectmen of towns are required to make out lists of voters; and for that purpose they shall have full access to the assessors books and lists, and are empowered to call for the assistance of the assessors, assistant assessors, and other city officers; and they shall deliver the

Voting Lists

lists so prepared and corrected to the clerks of the several wards, to be used at such elections; and no person shall be entitled to vote whose name is not borne on such list. A list of the voters of each ward shall be posted in one or more public places in each ward.

Voting Lists posted

Section 26. General meetings of the citizens qualified to vote may from time to time be held, to consult upon the public good, to instruct their representatives, and to take all lawful means to obtain redress for any grievances, according to the right secured to the people by the constitution of this Commonwealth, and such meetings may and shall be duly warned by the mayor and aldermen, upon the request, in writing, setting forth the purpose thereof, of fifty qualified voters.

Number of voters required to call meeting

Section 27. All power and authority now vested by law in the board of health for said Town, or in the selectmen thereof, shall be transferred to and vested in the City Council, to be by them exercised in such manner as they may deem expedient.

Board of Health

Section 28. All power and authority now vested in the selectmen of said Town in relation to the fire department in said Town shall be transferred to and invested in the mayor and aldermen; but the city council shall have power to establish fire limits within the city, and from time to time change and enlarge the same; and by ordinance they shall regulate the construction of all buildings erected within said fire limits, stipulating their location, size, and the materials of which they shall be constructed, together with such other rules and regulations as shall tend to insure the same from damage by fire.

Fire Department

Section 29. The power and authority vested in said Town of Somerville by sections one and two of chapter two hundred and two of the acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight, and by chapter seventy two of the acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, shall continue in force.

Authority in force

Section 30.

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed; provided, however, that the repeal of the said acts shall not affect any act done, or any right accruing or accrued or established, or any suit or proceeding had or commenced in any civil case before the time when such repeal shall take effect, and that no offence committed, and no penalty or forfeiture incurred under any act hereby repealed and before the time when such repeal shall take effect, shall be affected by the repeal; and that no suit or prosecution pending at the time of the said repeal, for any offence committed or for the recovery of any penalty or forfeiture incurred under said acts, shall be affected by such repeal; and provided, also, that all persons who at the time of the said repeal taking effect shall hold any office under the said acts, shall continue to hold the same until the organization of the city government contemplated by this Charter shall be completely effected.

Acts repealed

Section 31. For the purpose of organizing the system of Government hereby established, and putting the same in operation in the first instance, the selectmen of the Town of Somerville, for the time being, shall issue their warrants seven days at least previous to the first Monday of December of the present year, calling meetings of the citizens of each ward on that day, at such place and hour as they may deem expedient, for the purpose of electing a

Wardens, clerks and inspectors for each ward, and all other officers whose election is provided for in the preceding sections of this act; and the transcripts of the records in each ward, specifying the votes given for the several officers aforesaid, certified by the warden and clerk of the ward at said first meeting, shall be returned to said selectmen, whose duty it shall be to examine and compare the same and give notice thereof in manner before provided to the several persons elected. At said first meeting a list of voters in each ward, prepared and corrected by the selectmen for the time being, shall be delivered to the clerk of each ward, when elected, to be used as herein before provided. After the election of the city officers as aforesaid, the selectmen shall appoint a place for their first meeting, and shall by written notice left at the place of residence of each member, notify them thereof. It shall be the duty of the city council immediately after the first organization, to carry into effect the several provisions of this act.

City Government

mode

of

organization

Section. 32.

This act shall be void, unless the inhabitants of said Town of Somerville, at a legal meeting to be held within sixty days from the passage of this act, shall by a vote of a majority of the voters present, voting thereon as hereinafter provided, determine to adopt the same.

At said meeting the votes shall be taken by written or printed ballots, and the polls shall be kept open not less than six hours. The selectmen shall provide in said meeting, and in receiving said ballots shall use the check lists in the same manner as they are used in the election of state officers.

Adoption of City Charter

City Charter.

Section. 33.

This act shall take effect upon its passage

House of Representatives, April 12. 1871.

Passed to be enacted.

Harvey Jewell, Speaker.

In Senate, April 13. 1871.

Passed to be enacted.

Horace G. Coolidge President.

April 14. 1871.

Approved. William Claflin.

Inauguration

Somerville January 1. 1872

This being the day and hour appointed by the Selectmen for the inauguration of the city government by virtue of an act of the Legislature of Massachusetts passed April in the year 1871 entitled an act to establish the City of Somerville

Inauguration

The following gentlemen were present and took their seats

Members present

Hon. George O Brastow Mayor elect

Aldermen

Wm G Tucker George M Hadley Daniel E Chase
Alanson Bennett John M Poor Jacob T Crane
Benson Davis and John G Hall

Councilmen

C G Pope Michael Deehan E D Bonant
C. E. Curtis Owen S Knapp Patrick Naffetty
John J Bolton George M Hyatt Stewart French
Walter S Barnes Albert Hennessey Geo F Woods
C E Haynes Thomas H Lord Walter Morrison
Wesley C Crane

The meeting was called to order by Austin Belknap Esq Chairman of the retiring Board of Selectmen who declared the object of the meeting

Meeting called to order

Prayer was offered by Revered Henry H Barber Pastor of the First Congregational Society of Somerville

Prayer

January 1, 1872.

The record of the meetings and the names of the officers having been read by the Town Clerk the oath of office was administered to the officers elect by Columbus Tyler Esq Justice of the Peace

Oath administered

(Copy) of Oath

I do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as Mayor Alderman and Councilmen of the City of Somerville according to the best of my ability and understanding agreably to the terms of the City Charter, and to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts so help me God.

Copy of Oath

The officers having been qualified the Mayor then delivered his Inaugural address.

The Council then withdrew to organize by making choice of a President and Clerk

A Message was received from the Common Council stating that they had elected Orrin S Knapp Esq President, and Solomon Davis Clerk and were ready to receive communications

Organization of Council

Alderman Chase moved that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of the two branches of the City Government for the purpose of electing a City Clerk

Alderman Poor moved to amend the motion by adding also a Treasurer and Collector

The amendment was rejected

Alderman Chase was appointed a Committee to convey the message

January 1, 1872.

A message was returned from the Common Council assenting to the proposed convention

An Convention

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
An convention of the City Council Jany 1. 1872.

Ordered That a committee of three be appointed to collect, sort and count the votes for city clerk
Alderman Bennett and Council Pope and Nudd were appointed.

The Committee to collect, sort and count the votes for City Clerk reported as follows.
Whole number of votes 24.
Charles B Gilman had 23.
George P Pratt had 1.

Election of City Clerk

Charles B Gilman was declared elected City Clerk

The oath of office was administered to the clerk by Columbus Tyler. Esq Justice of the Peace.

Oath administered

Copy of Oath

I Charles B Gilman do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as clerk of the City of Somerville according to the best of my ability agreably to the terms of the City Charter and to the Rules and regulations of the constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts so help me God

Copy of Oath

The two branches then separated

January 1, 1872.

Committee to prepare Rules and Orders

Alderman Poor offered the following order which was adopted.

In Board of Mayor and aldermen January 1. 1872

Ordered, That a Committee of two from this board be appointed to prepare and report Rules and orders for the Government of the action of the Board of Mayor and aldermen

Aldermen Poor and Bennett were appointed

Committee from Council

Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.

Ordered That a Committee of two from this board with such of the Common Council as may be joined, be appointed to prepare and report joint rules and orders for the Government of the action of the City Council

Order adopted aldermen Poor and Bennett appointed and sent down for concurrence

Common Council January 1. 1872.

Concurred

and Mess. Wm. T. Hands Christopher B. Rymes Charles P. Pope and the President of the Council were joined on the part of the Common council

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Order to print Mayor's Address.

The following order was received from the Common Council

In Common Council January 1. 1872.

Ordered That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish a copy of his address that the same may be printed

Order adopted sent up for concurrence

In Board of aldermen January 1. 1872. Concurred

On motion of aldermen Poor adjourned to Wednesday evening next at 7½ o clock — Charles E. Gilman City Clerk

Meeting of Mayor and Aldermen Jany. 3. 1872

Full board present, Mayor in the chair

Members present

The clerk read the record of the organization of the City Government, and the doings of the last meeting.

Record

The records were approved

The Committee on Rules and Orders reported by alderman Poor chairman

On motion of Alderman Bennett
Voted to strike out Second section of article fourth relating to the appointment of committee on Fire department.

On motion of Alderman Fisher
Voted. That an additional committee be appointed said committee to consist of two aldermen and to constitute the committee on Enrolment.

Committee on Enrolment

On motion of Alderman Bennett
Voted That a committee be appointed to consist of two aldermen to constitute the committee on Elections.

Committee on Elections

On motion of Alderman Bennett
Voted. That the Committee on laying out, accepting, altering or discontinuing any street or way, consist of the Mayor, and two aldermen.

Committee on laying out & Streets

On motion of Alderman Poor
Voted That a joint standing committee of five be appointed to consist of two aldermen and three members of the Common Council to constitute the joint standing Committee on Health.

Committee on Health

January 3, 1872.

On motion of Alderman Poor
Voted, That a joint Standing committee of five be appointed to consist of two aldermen and three members of the Common Council to constitute the joint Standing Committee on Licenses. — Committee on Licenses

On motion of Alderman Gaines
The Rules and Orders of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen as amended was adopted. — Rules & Orders adopted

On motion of Alderman Fischer.
Voted, That article Second Section Seventh be amended by striking out of the seventh line the words "to be reconsidered" and inserting instead thereof the words "on its final stage be," — Amendment Section 7 Article 2

On motion of Alderman Fischer
The joint Rules and Orders of the City Council as amended were accepted and adopted. — Amendment adopted

In Board of Aldermen January 3. 1872.
Report of Committee on joint Rules and Orders as amended were accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence. — Report accepted

In Common Council January 3. 1872. Concurred in.

Alderman Fischer offered the following order
In Board of aldermen January 3. 1872.
Ordered:
That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of the City Government forthwith for the purpose of electing a city Treasurer and Collector. — Message
Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Concurred in.

City Council in Convention

On motion of Alderman Poor

Voted. That the communication of Mathews and Shiro in reference to City Treasurer and Collector of Taxes be laid upon the table.

On motion of Councilman Raffetty, a committee of three namely Alderman Hall, and Councilmen Raffetty and Symes were appointed to collect, assort, and count the votes for Treasurer and Collector.

and the report of said committee was as follows

Whole number of votes was 24

Thomas Cunningham had 10

Aaron Sargent " 14

Aaron Sargent was declared elected, Treasurer & Collector.

The convention was then dissolved.

Election of Treasurer & Collector

On motion of Alderman Turner.

Voted That the several committees be appointed by the Mayor.

Appointment of committees by the Mayor

On motion of Alderman Poor.

Voted. That when the board adjourns it adjourn to meet at the Old High School House on Highland Avenue on Saturday evening next at 7½ o'clock.

When Adjourned

The Mayor appointed the following Joint Standing Committees

Finance	Mayor and Aldermen	Bennett	and	Turner
Records	"	Davis	"	Glines
Public Property	"	Poor	"	Hall
Water	"	Chase	"	Davis
State aid	"	Hall	"	Bennett
Fuel and lighting streets	"	Hadley	"	Chase
Fire Department	"	Chase	"	Hall
Highways	"	Poor	"	Hadley
Sewers	"	Glines	"	Davis

Committees appointed by the Mayor

January 3, 1872.

Printing alderman Furber
Burial Grounds alderman Davis and Glines
Ordinances " Bennett " Poor
Claims Mayor " Furber
Public Health " Hall " Hadley

Committees of Mayor and Aldermen

Police Mayor and aldermen Chase and Glines.
Ord Encrochment " Furber - Davis

Adjourned
Charles E Gilman. Clerk.

Adjourned

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen, Jany 6. 1872.

Full board present
Mayor in the chair

Members present

Record of last meeting read and approved

The communication of Thomas Cunningham in reference to injuries received by Mr. Ryan was on motion of alderman Furber referred to the City Solicitor

Communication referred

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

Ordered. That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of the City Council of Lowell for the purpose of electing a Superintendent of Streets, a City Physician, and three persons to be Overseers of Poor. One for three years, one for two years, and one for one year also to consider the election of a Superintendent of Schools

adopted and sent down for concurrence

Order for Election

January 6, 1872

In Common Council January 6. 1872. Concurred

In Common Council January 6. 1872
Ordered That the Committee on public property prepare plans for the alteration of the Old High School House to adapt it to the use of the City Government and report as soon as practicable.

Order in regard to City Hall

Adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen January 6. 1872. Concurred.

Aldermen Hall offered the following Order
Resolved That on and after May 1. 1872. no person or persons shall be allowed to keep any swine in this city without first obtaining a license; and persons having a license shall not be permitted to keep more than four swine and those to be kept under a stable at least one hundred feet from any dwelling

Swine

Adopted and sent down for Concurrence
Common Council January 6. 1872. Non Concurred in.
On motion of Aldermen Hall referred to the Committee on Ordinances

The Mayor appointed the following Standing Committees

On laying out widening and discontinuing streets Mayor, Aldermen Poor and Davis

Standing Committees

On Sections Aldermen Bennett and Hall

Joint Standing committee on Licenses Aldermen Glines and Hadley

Mayor and Aldermen

Aldermen Hall was excused from serving on the Committee on State Aid and Soldiers Relief
Aldermen Turner was appointed to fill the vacancy

January 6, 1872

Alderman Bennett offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen January 6. 1872
Ordered That the Joint Standing committee on Sewers consider the feasibility of constructing a Trunk Sewer, through Millers River so called beginning at a near Mem'ls Laid Works and running westward to a point near Webster Avenue at the Glass House Block taking into consideration the necessary size of such Sewer, the material of which it should be constructed; the manner in which the work should be done, and the probable cost thereof, and this committee is hereby instructed to confer with the authorities of the city of Cambridge to see if said city will unite with Committee on just and reasonable terms in all requisite arrangements for the accomplishment of the above object proposed, including any necessary legislation pertaining thereto.
adopted and sent down for concurrence

Millers River

In Common Council January 6. 1872. Non Concurred in.
In Common Council January 6. 1872.
Ordered. That the foregoing order be amended by inserting after the word "Sewer" and Highways."
adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen. Order as amended Concurred in

Petition of Smith and Page for license to erect a livery Stable on Broadway was referred to committee on licenses, and sent down for concurrence

Petition Smith & Page

In Common Council Concurred in

City Council in Convention

On motion of Alderman Fuller a committee of three was appointed to collect sort and count the votes for a superintendent of Streets.
Alderman Fuller, and Councilmen Kimmins & Bonant were appointed and reported as follows.

Superintendent of Streets — Jan. 6, 1872.

Election of Superintendent of Streets

Whole number of ballots was 24
Necessary for a choice 13

Franklin Henderson had 22
T S Henderson " 1
Thomas L Lovejoy " 1

Franklin Henderson was declared elected

The same committee were authorized to collect assort and count the votes for a City Physician

Report of Committee

Election of City Physician

Whole number of votes was 24
Necessary for a choice 13

Dr Wm H Dow had 10
Dr C Jackson " 5
Dr Edward H Stevens " 5
Dr S Hancock " 2
Dr Masters " 2
Dr Hemenway " 1
Dr Horace Chapin " 1

There being no choice

On motion of Councilman Wood a second ballot was taken with the following result

Whole number of ballots was 23
Necessary for a choice 12

Dr Wm H Dow had 13
Dr C Jackson " 4
Dr Hemenway " 3
Dr Masters " 2
Dr Edward H Stevens " 1

Dr Dow was declared elected

Overseer of Poor for the Term of Three years — Jan. 6, 1872

On motion of Alderman Bennett the same committee were authorised to collect sort and count the votes for an Overseer of the Poor for the Term of three years

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes was 24
Necessary for a Choice 13
John C Magorin had 10
Abram Welch " 9
Angel Lewis " 3
John R Poor " 1
Michael Rowe " 1

There being no choice voted to proceed to a second ballot

Report of Committee on Second ballot

Whole number of votes was 24
Necessary for a choice 13
John C Magorin had 12
Abram Welch " 9
Angel Lewis " 2
Michael Rowe " 1

There being no choice proceeded to a Third ballot

Whole number of ballots was 24
Necessary for a choice 13
John C Magorin had 12
Abram Welch " 12

There being no choice proceeded to a fourth ballot

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots 24
Necessary for a choice 13
Abram Welch had 16
John C Magorin " 8

Abram Welch was declared elected

Election of Overseers of Poor for Three Years

Abram Welch

Overseer of Poor for two years — Jan. 6, 1872.

The convention then proceeded to ballot for an Overseer of the Poor for the term of two years. The same committee being appointed to collect, sort, and count the votes.

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes			24	
Necessary for a choice			18	
Ansel Lewis	had		11	
John C. Magoun	"		7	
Benjamin Woodward	"		6	

Overseers of the Poor

There being no choice proceeded to a second ballot.

Whole number of votes	was		24	
Ansel Lewis	had		14	
John C. Magoun	"		10	

Ansel Lewis for Two Years

(Ansel Lewis was declared elected)

On motion of Alderman Bennett vote to proceed to ballot for an Overseer of the Poor for the term of one year

Whole number of ballots	was		25	
Necessary for a choice			12	
John C. Magoun	had		21	
Benjamin Woodward	"		1	
Charles E. Hougan	"		1	

John C. Magoun for One Year

Councilman Knapp offered the following order which was adopted:

Ordered, That the School Committee be instructed to appoint a Superintendent of Schools.

Order to appoint Supt. of Schools

Councilman Woods offered the following order which was adopted

Ordered That the Committee on printing be requested to provide uniform record books for the annual City Officers and committees, also furnish five hundred printed copies of the Mayors Inaugural address, also the necessary Stationery & Blanks

Books
Inn. Address
Blanks &c

Convention then dissolved — Jan. 6, 1872.

Alderman Glines offered the following order

Ordered

That all matters referred to the City Government by the Board of Selectmen be now considered and referred to their respective committees

Order adopted, and the matters referred to their respective committees as follows, viz.,

The matter of building highway from West Medford to Somerville, contracts and specifications for building Bissell & Pitman Streets, extension of Highland Avenue, widening and extension of Pearl Street, change of grade of sidewalk corner of Central and Summer Streets, Petitions for acceptance of Otis Street, extension of Oxford Street, widening of Highland Avenue, repairing Alderway Street, repairing of Pearl and Medford Streets, and order of notice of the Fitchburg Rail Road in reference to building a Branch road were referred to Committee on Highways.

The petitions for laying out Lemon Street, Hamlet Street, Banner Place, new Street on petition of G. B. Mullins, acceptance of Orrill Avenue, and order of County Commissioners to build extension of Pearl Street, were referred to the committee on laying out Streets, The petitions for Sewer in Elm Street, north of Cherry Street, for a Sewer through Franklin and ~~Elm~~ Washington Streets, and the report of Committee on Mystic River were referred to Committee on Sewers, and sent down for Concurrence. Concurred January 13, 1872

Alderman Davis offered the following order

Ordered, That in completing the Winter Hill Hose House be referred to the Committee on Fire Department with Alderman Glines added, and That the specifications and contracts be placed in their hands

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 13. Amended By referring to the Committee on Public Property with Alderman Glines added

Adopted, and sent up for Concurrence — Concurred in

Unfinished business

referred

Highways

Laying out Streets

Sewers

Winter Hill Hose House

referred

January 6, 1872.

The petitions for location of Hose Carriage in Franklin School District, for Hose Carriage at Willow Bridge, for organization of Hose Company on Spring Hill were referred to the committee on Fire Department and sent down for concurrence. January 13. Concurred in. — Willow Bridge Franklin Dist. Hose referred

Order from Common Council

In Common Council, January 6, 1872.

Ordered, That the Mayor and President of the Common Council together with our Representatives to the General Court be instructed to use all honorable means to cause an act to be passed authorizing the City of Somerville in connection with the City of Cambridge if deemed expedient to fill, or by arrangement with the owners of Real Estate thereon cause to be filled to a proper grade the channel of Miller River within the limits of the City and with authority to lay a common Sewer therein. — Millers River

Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen January 6. Concurred in. — Sewer

The communication of Mr Secretary in reference to the Iron Wall was referred to Committee on Public Safety. — Iron Wall

On Motion of Mr Glines the communication of Justin Belknap Esq as Chairman of Selectmen in reference to a highway across Mystic River was referred to the committee on highways and sent down for concurrence. — Highway across Mystic River referred

Solomon L. Bowman by concurrent vote was elected City Solicitor. — City Solicitor

In Executive Session

The following appointments on the Police force were made and confirmed — Appointments on Police

Chief Melville C. Parkhurst

Police Officers. Robert W. Perry, James Mann, Orin F. Webber, Edward McCarty, Edward H. Audsley, Joseph B. Alden

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Judson McMillan, C. C. Cavanaugh, Stephen C. Rollins, Charles S. Clark, Samuel A. Brown, & James E. Coolidge.

Order from Common Council

In Common Council January 6. 1872.

Ordered That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to prepare Ordinances, orders and resolutions for the adoption of the City Council

Adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen January 6. 1872.

Concurred in

Committee on Ordinances instructed

Order from Common Council

In Common Council January 6. 1872.

Ordered That the several joint committees be requested to furnish the Committee on Ordinances with such ordinances as are applicable to the several departments

Adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen January 6. Concurred in

Committees requested

Order from Common Council

In Common Council January 6. 1872.

Ordered That the Committee on Public Property with H. H. Carleton, J. H. Davis and O. S. Knapp be a committee, with authority to complete the New High School Building

Adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen January 6. 1872.

Concurred in

Committee to complete New High School building.

In Board of Aldermen January 6. 1872.

Ordered That the subject of Treasurer and Collectors Bonds, be referred to the Committee on Finance

Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council January 6. 1872. Concurred in

Adjourned Charles E. Gilman Clerk

Treasurer and Collectors Bonds referred

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen Jany 13. 1872

Mayor in the chair

The following Aldermen present
Aldermen Poor, Fuller, Hadley, Glover, Bennett, Davis and Chase.

Members present

The communication from the Chairman of Somerville Mystic Water Committee accompanied by a communication from the Charlestown Mystic Water Board, was referred to the joint standing Committee on water and put down for concurrence in Common Council January 13. concurred in

Communication from Mystic Water Board referred

The communication from Chief of Police accepting the position and stating readiness to give bonds was placed on file and the giving of the bonds referred to Committee on Police

Chief of Police

A Notice was received from D Waldo Director Vice President of the Boston and Albany Railroad, of the desire of the company to fill in Millers River, on the line of the Grand Junction Railroad, was referred to the Mayor to confer with the corporation relative to the matter

Communication B. & A. R.R. Millers River referred

The petitions of Wm O Fletcher and others citizens of Ward four for the appointment of James H McCarthy as a Police Officer in said Ward was referred to the Committee on Police

James H McCarthy Police referred

Report of Joint Committee on Finance
In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1872.
The Finance Committee to whom was referred the matter of Bonds to be given by the City Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, have attended to that duty and agree that the amount of said bonds for this current year

Collector's & Treasurer's Bonds

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shall be Forty Thousand dollars

The report was adopted and sent down for concurrence — Amount

In Common Council January 13. Concurred in

Order from Common Council

In Common January 13 1872

Ordered That the approval of the Treasurer and Collectors Bonds be referred to the Joint Committee on Finance with full power.

Adopted and sent up for concurrence — Approval referred

In Board of Aldermen January 13. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following Joint Resolution

Whereas it is of great importance that grades of Sewers and streets when made should be properly done.

and whereas such an end can only be reasonably expected by obtaining the services of a competent and experienced Engineer to direct and superintend such matters

Therefore Resolved

That the interests of this City require the appointment of a City Civil Engineer for the current year with such salary as shall be reasonable and adequate

Resolution was adopted referred to Joint Committee on Sewers and Highways, and sent down for concurrence — Order to appoint City Civil Engineer

The matter in reference to a new plan of the City was referred to the Committee on Highways to consider and report — Plan of City referred

January 13, 1872.

Alderman Bennett offered the following joint order

In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1872.

Ordered, That the Committee on Highways consider the expediency of removing a part of the City Teams from their present location on the City farm so called, to the City Stables on Prospect Street and report thereon.

Also to consider the expediency of obtaining gravel by Rail Road from the City Gravel Pits in Winchester for repairing Streets and sidewalks in the Eastern and South Eastern part of the City and report thereon.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 13. Concurred in.

Removal of City Teams

Gravel

Mr. Austin Belknap, chairman of the Board of Selectmen of 1871. submitted their annual report.

Alderman Quincy offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1872.

Ordered That the report of the Selectmen be referred to the committee on printing with instructions to print two thousand copies of the same and that a proof be furnished Austin Belknap, and that an opportunity be given him to correct the same.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 13. 1872. Concurred in

Report of Selectmen referred & order to print

Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1872.

Ordered, That the Mayor, with the President of the Common Council be a committee to present the following petition and take such steps as need be to have the act passed

Order to present

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled

The undersigned in behalf of the City of Somerville respectfully asks that your honorable body will pass

Petition

January 13, 1872.

an act authorizing said City to establish a grade upon all low lands in the city, to which all persons hereafter erecting buildings shall conform, and to compel all such persons to fill their lands to conform to such grades, when and so far as in the opinion of the City Council such filling shall be deemed a sanitary measure

Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 13. Concurred in

for establishment of Grades by Legislature

Order, from Common Council

In Common Council January 13. 1872.

Ordered, That Aaron Sargent, Henry F. Woods and James W. Clark be authorized and requested to audit the accounts of the Treasurer and Collector of the Town of Somerville

Adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen January 13. Concurred in

Auditing Committee Town Treasurer's Acts.

Order, from Common Council

In Common Council January 13. 1872.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen proposing a Convention of the City Council forthwith for the purpose of electing a Chief Engineer, four Assistants one from each ward, and a Water Committee

Adopted and sent up for Concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen January 13. Concurred in

Message of election Engineers & Water Committee

City Council in Convention

On motion of Alderman Chase

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed to collect, sort and count the votes for Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

Committee

Alderman Chase, Councilmen Bolton and Curtis were appointed.

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots was 23
Necessary for a choice 12 — Election

Thomas Gooding	had	1	
Henry A. Angier	"	2	
D. A. Sanborn Jr	"	10	
James M. Hopkins	"	10	

There being no choice proceeded to a second ballot

Whole number of ballots was 23
Necessary for a choice 12 — of

Henry A. Angier	had	1	
Samuel H. Gooding	"	1	
D. A. Sanborn Jr	"	11	
James M. Hopkins	"	10	

There being no choice proceeded to a third ballot

Whole number of ballots was 23 — Chief
Necessary for a choice 12 — Engineer

D. A. Sanborn Jr	had	11	
James M. Hopkins	"	12	

James M. Hopkins was declared elected

On motion of Alderman Bennett
Voted to proceed to elect four assistant engineers one from each ward commencing with Ward one.
The same committee were authorised to collect, sort and count the votes for assistant engineer from Ward one

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots was 28
Necessary for a choice 12 — Assistant

Calvin Horton	had	1	Engineer
Samuel H. Gooding	"	8	
G. W. Bean	"	19	Ward One

George W. Bean was declared elected

January 13, 1872.

The same Committee were authorised to collect and count the votes for an Assistant Engineer from Ward two — Assistant Engineer

Whole number of votes	was	23	
Necessary for a choice		12	
C. P. Little	had	4	Ward Two
D. H. Sanborn Jr	"	6	
F. S. Snow	"	13	

F. S. Snow was declared elected

The same Committee were authorised to collect and count the votes for an Assistant Engineer from Ward Three — Assistant Engineer

Whole number of votes	was	23	
Necessary for a choice		12	Ward Three
Henry A. Angier	had	23	

Henry A. Angier was declared elected

The same Committee were authorised to collect and count the votes for an Assistant Engineer from Ward four — Assistant Engineer

Whole number of votes	was	22	
Necessary for a choice		12	
George Little	had	6	
Theodore C. Wolcott	"	16	

Theodore C. Wolcott was declared elected — Ward Four

The same Committee were authorised to collect and count the votes for members of the Mystic Water Board — Water

Whole number of votes	was	22	
Necessary for a choice		12	
L. H. Dow	had	1	Board
Aaron Sargent	"	3	
Thomas Cunningham	"	3	
C. E. Raymes	"	15	C. E. Raymes

C. E. Raymes was declared elected

January 13, 1872.

Proceeded to ballot for a second member of the Water Board

Whole number of ballots	was	23		Election
Necessary for a choice		12		
Clark Bennett	had	1		
L. H. Dow	"	2		
Aaron Sargent	"	7		
Thomas Cunningham	"	13		Thomas Cunningham

Thomas Cunningham was declared elected

of

Proceeded to ballot for a Third member of the Water Board

Whole number of ballots	was	23		
Necessary for a choice		12		
Reuben C. Demmon	had	1		
L. H. Dow	"	3		
C. Downer	"	4		
Aaron Sargent	"	6		Water
R. A. Vinal	"	9		

There being no choice proceeded to a second ballot

Whole number of ballots	was	23		
Necessary for a choice		12		
C. Downer	had	1		
John B. Poor	"	1		
L. H. Dow	"	1		Board
R. C. Demmon	"	3		
R. A. Vinal	"	18		

R. A. Vinal was declared elected

Ro. A. Vinal

Proceeded to ballot for a fourth member of the Water Board

Whole number of ballots	was	23		
Necessary for a choice		12		
Aaron Sargent	had	1		
Horace Hawkins	"	4		
C. Downer	"	18		C. Downer

C. Downer was declared elected

January 13, 1872

Proceeded to ballot for a fifth member of the Water Board.

Whole number of Ballots	was	23	
Necessary for a choice		12	
S. H. Ross	had	3	
R. C. Lemanow	"	7	Horace Hoskins
Horace Hoskins	"	13	

Horace Hoskins was declared elected

Alderman Ross made a verbal report relative to remodelling the Old High School Building for City purposes.

On Motion of Alderman Kinder

Ordered That the Committee be instructed forthwith to make the alterations as suggested by Alderman Ross, and that the alterations below the first floor be deferred until some future time

Alteration of Old High School Building

Committee then dissolved

In Executive Session

Mr. Mason, nominated the following persons as Special Police Officers without compensation which were confirmed

Ward One

B. W. Shinnin C. C. Barker, Thomas B. Price & W. Jordan

Ward Two

Myron E. Winsley C. L. Comrack John Hafford
Jeremiah Morrison & Stephen Smith

Ward Three

Gardner W. King William E. Winslow
J. C. Dyer and Joseph Young

Ward Four

Theodore C. Jolyn George W. Golden
Hugh Blackwell & John Byrnes

Appointment of Special Police

Constables — Jan. 13, 1872.

The following persons were nominated as Constables by the Mayor and were confirmed viz. — Appointment of Constables

Melville C. Parkhurst, Horace B. Hurey, John N. Stevens

Order from Common Council

In Common Council January 13. 1872.

Ordered That C. S. Lincoln be authorised and requested to act with the City Solicitor in all suits at law for or against the Town of Somerville in which Mr Lincoln is attorney of record — C. S. Lincoln

Adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen January 13. Concurred in

Order from Common Council

In Common Council January 13. 1872.

Ordered That the Committee on Public Property be authorised and instructed to furnish Tables and Chairs for the use of the Common Council immediately — Furniture for Common Council

Adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1872. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

Ordered

That when this board adjourn it adjourn to Saturday evening next at this place at 7½ o'clock

Order adopted — Adjourned

Adjourned

Charles E. Gilman

Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen January 20. 1871.

C. Mayor in the Chair

Members present

Aldermen Poor, Kimball, Glines, Bennett, Davis and Chase present

Journals of last meeting read and approved

Communication from Charlestown Water Board referred

The communication of the Mystic Water Board of Charlestown in relation to payment for water used in the public buildings in the year 1871. was referred to the Committee on accounts and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council January 20. Concurred in

Organization Board of Engineers

The communication of the Secretary of the Fire Department in reference to the organization of the Board of Engineers was received and placed on file

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Report Water & Finance order to print

Alderman Kimball offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen January 20.

Ordered. That the report of the Committee on Water and Finance be referred to the Committee on Buildings with instructions to cause them to be printed in the annual report of the Selectmen

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 20 Concurred in

Smith & Page's Stable Remonstrance referred

Alderman Glines presented the remonstrance of Knight & Hicks and others praying that a license may not be granted to Mess Smith and Page to erect a stable on the corner of Broadway and Franklin st.

Referred to Committee on Licenses and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 20. Concurred in

Dr. L. Vickery's Bill referred

The bill of W. H. Vickery for building sheds at Stone stables was referred to Committee on accounts and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council January 20 Concurred in

January 20, 1872.

Upon the petition of W. H. Daniels for leave to erect the requisite number of Telegraph Poles from the Post Office in Union Square, to the poles of the Western Union Telegraph Company, near the Fitchburg Rail Road Bridge on Washington Street. Voted that the prayer of the petition be granted the work to be done under the direction of the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence. — Telegraph Poles referred to — erect

In Common Council January 20. Concurred in

Alderman Gins submitted the following report from the Joint Standing Committee on Sewers and Highways.

Your Committee to whom was referred the order of inquiry in reference to the employment of a Civil Engineer, respectfully report

That it is the unanimous opinion of the two Committees, that it is expedient to employ a competent Engineer by the year, and we recommend that the two Committees be instructed to report to the board at some future meeting the name of some person, or persons, who are competent and willing to give their personal attention to the work, and the amount of compensation required to be paid.

The report was accepted

— Report in reference to appointment of City Civil Engineer

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen January 20.

Ordered, That the election of City Civil Engineer when made shall be by ballot of the City Council in Convention of the two boards of the Municipal Government

Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council January 20 Concurred in

— Civil Engineer — order to appoint in Convention

Alderman Gins offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen January 20.

Ordered, That the Mayor be authorized to draw on the Treasurer in favor of D. L. Lord for the sum of $194.24/100 dollars to be charged to the appropriation for building the

— Draft for Winter Hill Hose House

January 20, 1872.

House on Marshall Street, on the presentation of the draft
of said Land approved by the Committee Tomorrow the
matter has been referred.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council January 20. Concurred in.

Alderman Tow offered the following order — Committee on Finance
In Board of Aldermen January 20
Ordered That the Committee on Finance be and
they are hereby authorized to borrow from time to time in
anticipation of taxes, such sums as may be required to — authority to
meet the current expenses of the City, and the Treasurer
be authorized to give his Note or Notes for the same — borrow money
Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council January 20. Concurred in

Alderman Parker offered the following order — Report of School Committee & Order to print
In Board of Aldermen January 20
Ordered That the Committee on Printing be and are
hereby authorized to have one hundred and fifty copies of
the School Committee Report independent of the report
of the Selectmen
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council January 20. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order — Order for election of Assessors
In Board of Aldermen January 20
Ordered That the Election of three assessors, one for
three years, one for two years, and one for one year,
also four assistant assessors, one from each ward for
one year, be assigned to two weeks from this evening.
Order adopted.

Alderman Parker offered the following order — Constables' Bonds
That the matter of the amount of Bonds required of the
Constables be referred to the Committee on Police
Order adopted.

January 20, 1872.

Alderman Finlen offered the following order — Draft to pay School Teachers
Ordered That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to draw on the City Treasurer a sum or sums sufficient to pay all the Teachers of the Public Schools the amount due them to January 27. 1872.
Adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council January 20. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
Ordered that when the board adjourns it adjourn to meet at this place one week from to-night.
Order adopted

Adjourned — Adjourned
Charles P. Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of Mayor and Aldermen
January 27 1872

Mayor in the Chair

Members present — Aldermen Poor Finlen Glines Chase Bennett and Davis present

Journal of last meeting read and approved

The petition of P. C. Spring and others for the acceptance of Craig Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence — Craig Street — referred
In Common Council January 27. Concurred

The bond of Chelsea C. Parkhurst as Constable was approved and placed on file — C. C. Parkhurst Bond

January 27, 1872

Daniel B Chase was drawn as Grand Juror at The Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the Second Monday of February next. — Grand Juror drawn

The Joint Standing Committee on Sewers and Highways

Respectfully report the name of L R Howe as a competent engineer to be elected by the City Council he is very highly recommended and received nearly the entire vote of the Committee

The minority of the Committee desire the name of C. D. Elliot for the consideration of the board

Report accepted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council January 27. Concurred in — Report of Committee on Sewers & Highways in regard to appointment of Civil Engineer

Report of Committee on Ordinances

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the subject of preparing a code of Ordinances for the City of Somerville have attended to that duty and therewith beg leave to submit the accompanying code as their report,

On motion of Alderman Bennett the report was laid on the table.

On motion of Alderman Bennett, Ordered that One hundred copies of the ordinances be printed

Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council January 27. Concurred — Report of Committee on Ordinances — order to print

Report of Finance Committee

In Board of Aldermen January 27, 1872.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the subject of approving the Bonds of the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes with full powers beg leave to report that they have attended to that duty and have accepted — Treasurer & Collector's Bonds

January 27, 1872.

The Bond aforesaid consisting of the sureties herein named as follows. Nathaniel Minor for Twenty Thousand dollars, J. W. Fletcher for Ten Thousand dollars. D. C. Carter five Thousand Dollars and Cutter Downer for Five Thousand dollars. accepted
Report accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council January 27. Concurred in.

Alderman Bennett, offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen January 27.
Ordered, that the Committee on State aid and Soldiers Relief be authorized to employ Thomas Cunningham as agent to assist them in the performance of the duties of this Committee at a salary of two hundred dollars per annum for the current year. State Aid employment of Thomas Cunningham
Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Alderman Pour offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen January 27.
Ordered That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention forthwith of the two branches for the purpose of electing a Civil Engineer. Order for election of Civil Engineer
Alderman Bennett moved to amend to meet in convention one week from to night. The amendment having been rejected the original order was adopted and Alderman Pour charged with the message which the Common Council concurred in. amended

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Alderman Turner offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen January 27 1872.
Ordered That the Mayor be and is hereby authorised to draw on the Treasurer for the amount due Fitzpatrick on his pay account of State amounting as per statement herewith to $295.43. Draft
Adopted and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

City Council in Convention Jan. 27, 1872.

For the purpose of electing a Civil Engineer

Alderman Bennett presented the application of Charles L. Elliot accompanied with his testimonials of competency for the position

Election of City Civil Engineer

On motion of Mr Dechaux voted to proceed to ballot for a City Engineer

Aldermen Davis and Councilmen Dechaux and Morrison were appointed to collect, sort, and count the votes for City Engineer.

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes 21

Necessary for a choice 11.

L. R. Worth had 9

Charles L. Elliot " 12

Charles L. Elliot was declared elected

The Convention then dissolved

Election of City Auditor

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen January 27.

Ordered that this Board now proceed to elect by ballot a City Auditor for the current year

Order adopted and Alderman Bennett appointed to collect, sort, and count the votes for Auditor who reported the whole number of votes cast was 21 all of which were for Charles E. Gilman who was declared elected on the part of this Board and notice of the election sent to the Council which was returned with the following indorsement

In Common Council January 27, 1872.

To the Honorable Mayor

Sir I have the honor to inform you that Charles E. Gilman has been elected Auditor of the City on the part of the Common Council

Solomon Davis Clerk

Order from the Common Council. Jan. 27, 1872.

In Common Council January 27 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Printing be instructed To cause To be printed for pocket use fifty copies of the Rules and Orders of the City Council, and that the names of the City Council, with their place of residence and a list of the Committees be printed therewith and that they also be instructed To cause To be printed for general distribution five hundred copies of Committees of the City Government with the names of the members of the City Government ... ...

Pocket copies of Rules Orders &c

Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence
On motion of Alderman Glines the order was laid upon the table.

Adjourned To Saturday morning
next at 7½ o'clock
(Charles E Gilman Clerk)

Adjourned

I Parson Sargent do solemnly swear That I will faithfully perform the duties incumbent upon me as Treasurer and Collector of Taxes of the City of Somerville for the ensuing year, and so long as I shall continue in office
Parson Sargent

Suffolk ss. January 23. 1872.
Subscribed and sworn to before me
Selwin J Bowman
Justice of the Peace

Officers appointed by the Mayor confirmed by the Aldermen who have taken the oath required by law before the City Clerk.

Milvill C Parkhurst as Constable January 15/72

Horace B Nurney " Constable " " "

Officers who have been qualified

Police Officers

Robert M Perry		January 15. 1872	
Louis Mann		" "	"
Owen H Webber		" "	"
Edward McCann		" "	"
E M Hudson		" "	"
D C Rollins		" "	"
J B Alden		" "	"
C C Cavanaugh		" "	"
C D Clark		" "	"
J M Oliver		" "	"
John Stafford		" "	"
John B Byrnes		" "	"
James E Coolidge		" 6	"
Samuel H Brown		" 6	"
A L Pennock		" 15	"
Thomas B Prince		" "	"
G M Ring		" "	"
M H Winslow		" "	"
P M Shinnen		" "	"
J E Dyer		" 16	"
Hugh B Blackwell		" "	"
Jeremiah C Morrison		" 22	"
A E Parker		" 25	"
John E Magoun	Assessor	February 10	"
Joseph Young	Police Officer	" "	"
Isaiah B Hamblin	Public Weigher	" 12	"
Granville Leland	Constable	" 12	"
Granville Leland	Police Officer	" 12	"
Granville Leland	Field Driver	" 12	"

Officers qualified as required by law

Owen Sheridan	Police Officer	Feby	12.	1872.
Samuel W Brown	Field Driver	"	13.	"
Stephen C Mullins	Field Driver	"	18.	"
James O Coolidge	Field Driver	"	13	"
Abram Welch	Overseer of Poor Jany		10	"
Israel Lewis	Overseer of Poor	"	10	"
John C Magoun	Overseer of Poor	"	10	"
H M Pillsbury	Surveyor of Bridges P Feby		17	"
Charles Frutt	Field Driver Pound K.	"	21	"
Jairus Mann	Field Driver	"	15	"
Robert R Perry	Field Driver	"	15	"
Otis Webber	Field Driver	"	15	"
C H Hudson	Field Driver	"	15	"
C C Cavanaugh	Field Driver	"	15	"
Hudson H Oliver	Field Driver	"	15	"
Edward McGan	Field Driver	"	15	"
Joshua C Eldridge	Constable	"	19	"
Eldon P Harris	Sealer of Weights & M	"	23	"
Wm S Tufts	Field Driver	"	28.	"
John C Magoun	Fence Viewer	"	29	"
Charles E Gilman	Fence Viewer	"	29	" By
John C Magoun Justice of the Peace —				
Thomas Cunningham	Assessor	March	1	"
Jacob Emerson	Surveyor of H. B. R.	"	4	"
Thomas G Temple	Surveyor of H. B. R.	"	13	"
Stephen Smith	Police Officer	"	23	"
Daniel H Danforth	Public Weigher	"	25	"
J Colyer	Police Officer Weym.	April	5	"
Charles A Jenks	Ass Assessor	"	17	"
Sabin M Smith	Assessor	March	15	"
Aaron Clark	Surveyor of Lumber Moon Hook	April	9	"
Frank G Williams	Ass Assessor	"	19	"
E H Jordan	Police Officer	May	6	"
George H Holden	Police Officer	May	6	"
C B Clark	Field Driver	May	6	"
Jairus Mann	Constable			

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

February 6. 1872.

Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen Poor, Fuller, Glines Davis and Bennett present — Members present

Record of last meeting read and approved

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council January 27. 1872.
Ordered
That the Legislature be petitioned to grant the City the privilege of issuing additional Water Bonds to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars, for the further laying of Water pipes in the City, and that the Mayor and President of the Common Council, be requested and authorized to sign such petition — Water Bonds

In Board of Aldermen February 6 Concurred

The petition of M. G. Roberts and others in aid of Smith and Page for leave to erect a Livery Stable Corner of Broadway and Franklin Street was referred to the Committee on Licenses and the petitioners granted a hearing by the Board on Thursday evening February the 15th at 7½ o'clock P.M. at the Aldermen's room. — Petition M. G. Roberts et al in aid of Smith & Page — Hearing ordered

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council February 6. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Highways be directed to consider the expediency of inaugurating a uniform system of sidewalks throughout the City and that they be requested to report at a future meeting — Sidewalks

February 3, 1872

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen February 6 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

City of Somerville January 30, 1872.

The joint order that the Committee on Highways consid- Removal
er the expediency of removing a part of the City Teams from their present location on the City Farm to the City of
Stables on Prospect Street has been considered by said Committee City Teams
And voted not expedient to remove any of the Teams to Stables on Prospect Street

John R Poor Chairman

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1872 accepted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council February 8. 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

City of Somerville January 30. 1872. City

The matter in reference to purchasing a new Map of the City having been referred to Committee to consider Plan
and report.

Said Committee on Highways, voted not advisable to purchase any plans now made.

John R Poor Chairman

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1872 accepted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council February 8. 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

City of Somerville January 30. 1872.

The order to Committee on Highways to consider the Gravel
expediency of obtaining gravel by Rail Road from the City gravel lot in Winchester for the eastern and South eastern part of the City has been considered

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and herewith submit a report in favor of having five hundred Car Loads or Two hundred and fifty Opinions
John B Poor Chairman

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1872. Accepted and sent down for Concurrence
Wm. Cannon Clerk pro tem

In Common Council February 3. 1872. Concurred in

A Communication was received from the Common Council that they had elected for principal Assessors
Thomas Cunningham ____ for 3 years
Sabin Smith ____ " 2 years
John C Magoun ____ " 1 year
For Assistant Assessors
George H Sibley ____ " Ward One
Robert P Bird ____ " Ward Two
F P Williams ____ " Ward Three
John H Brookhouse ____ " Ward Four

Assessors

Notice of election by Common Council

Assistants

Assessors

On motion of Alderman Fisher The order from Common Council January 29. relative to printing Joint Rules and Orders and Committees was taken from the Table.
On motion of Alderman Poor
The Board concurred in that portion of the order relating to the printing of fifty Pocket Copies of the Rules and Orders of the City Council.
and non concurred in that portion relating to the printing of five hundred copies of the Committees and sent down the order for concurrence.

Printing of Rules and Orders

Alderman Fisher moved That a message be sent to the Council requesting the return of the order relating to the appointment of Thomas Cunningham as agent to assist the Committee on State aid and Soldiers Relief.
Alderman Fisher was charged with the message and the order was returned.

State Aid

February 3, 1872.

Alderman Glines offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1872. — Alarm Bell Minister Hall Marshall Hose House

Ordered That the Committee on the Fire Department be instructed to inquire into the expediency of furnishing an alarm bell for the new Hose House on Marshall Street and report thereon

Order Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council February 3. 1872. Concurred in

Alderman Glines offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1872.

Ordered That a notice be sent to the owners of Hawkins Hall that the rooms occupied by Frost Brothers will no longer be wanted for the use of the City. — Office rent of Frost Bros

Order Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council February 3. 1872. Concurred in

Alderman Rice offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1872.

Ordered That the City Council petition the Legislature to repeal the act of 1869 Chapter 187. Entitled an act authorizing the County Commissioners to lay out a highway and construct a Bridge over Mystic River, and all amendments thereto

And if the act is not repealed the City of Somerville be relieved from any expense of building or for any portion of any expense to keep said road in repair and the City Solicitor with the Committee on Highways attend to the matter. — Petition for Act Mystic River Highway & Bridge

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Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council February 3. 1872 Concurred in

Report of the Committee appointed to audit the Collector's account

Town of Somerville in account with George H. Ireland Collector of Taxes

	Dr.	Cr.
By Taxes uncollected as per Tax Books received from former Collectors of Taxes.		
Assessed in 1868.	122.50	
Interest collected	43.08	165.58
Assessed in 1869.	2290.72	
Abated	2201.52 / 89.20	
Interest collected	4.88	94.08
Assessed in 1870.	2722.39	
Additional	2.00 / 2724.39	
Abated	2208.53	
Uncollected	179.60 / 346.26	
Interest collected	19.28	356.54
By Taxes assessed in 1871	260.460.95	
Additional	595.14 / 261.056.09	
Abated 4289.61	4.376.79	
Uncollected 248718	254.679.30	
Interest collected	1446.63	256125.93
To Cash at settling time to Thomas Cunningham Town Treasurer	256.742.13	
	$256.742.13	$256.742.13

George H. Ireland Collector of Taxes

Somerville December 30, 1871.

We the undersigned, having examined the accounts of George H. Ireland Collector of Taxes of the Town of Somerville, for the year 1871, hereby certify that the above account current is correct

Aaron Sargent, Henry F. Hands, James N. Clark
Auditors

Report accepted and ordered to be printed in the annual report of the town and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council February 3. 1872
Concurred in

Report of Auditing Committee Town Collector's accounts

February 3, 1872.

Alderman Bennett offered the following order.
In Board of Aldermen February 3, 1872.
Ordered

That our representatives in General Court be instructed to use their efforts to procure the enactment of amendments to our City Charter (substantially as follows) The Election of a City Civil Engineer when made, shall be by joint ballot in convention of the City Council which election shall be for one year -
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council February 3, 1872. Concurred in.

Petition for Act relating to Election of City Civil Engineer

Alderman Fisher offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen February 3, 1872.
Ordered

That all past officers of the Town of Somerville be instructed to place in possession of their successors in office, all property belonging to the City delivered to them at such time and place as the City Clerk may designate
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council February 3, 1872. Concurred in

Transfer of Town Property

Order from Common Council
In Common Council February 3, 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Fire Department be requested to visit the Engine House on Washington Street and see if the companies are provided with good accommodations
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen February 3, 1872.
Concurred in

Fire Department

February 3, 1872.

In Board of Aldermen February 3
On motion of Alderman Foor.
Voted That the general bills presented by the Treasurer be referred to the appropriate Committees and when approved the Mayor is authorized to draw a warrant for the payment of the same.
Sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council February 3 Concurred in

Bills and Drafts ✓

Voted: To proceed to the election of three principal Assessors. One for three years, One for two years, One for one year.
Alderman Fisher was appointed to collect sort and count the votes.

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes for an Assessor for three years 5
all of which were for Thomas Cunningham who was declared elected

Assessor 3 years ✓

Whole number of votes for an Assessor for two years 5
George H. Ireland ___ had ___ 2 ___
Fabian Smith ___ " ___ 3 ___
Fabian Smith was declared elected

2 years

Whole number of votes for an Assess for one year 5
George H. Ireland ___ had ___ 2 ___
John C. Maguire ___ " ___ 3 ___
John C. Maguire was declared elected

1 year

Voted: To proceed to the election of four assistant assessors one from each Ward
Alderman Fisher was appointed to collect, sort and count the votes for Assistant Assessors

Assistant Assessors

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes for Assistant Assessor from Ward one 5
all of which were for George H. Fitz who was declared elected

Ward One

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Whole number of votes for an Assistant Assessor from Ward Two were 5
All of which were for Robert A. Brinal who was declared elected — Ward Two

The election of an Assistant Assessor from Ward Three was deferred until the next meeting of the Board — Ward Three

Whole number of votes for Assistant Assessor from Ward four was 5
all of which were for John H. Brookhouse who was declared elected — Ward Four

Voted to proceed to the first reading of the City ordinances, after reading a portion of the ordinances it was voted to dispense with the further reading and that the second reading take place at the next meeting of the board — First reading of Ordinances

The order from the County Commissioners to build highway highway from Medford to Somerville and construct a Bridge over Mystic River was received and on motion of Alderman Poor was placed on file — Order from County Commissioners

Copy of order

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge within and for said County of Middlesex, on the first Tuesday of January A. D. 1872.

The petition of John Bitumen et al. for a highway extending from Medford Street in that part of Malden called Edgewith, across the Wellington Farm so called and the Mystic River to the Medford Turnpike in Somerville, as in the petition filed of record will more fully appear.

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This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge aforesaid on the first Tuesday of June, A.D. 1869. when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises, and hearing the parties, as by their order on file in said County, appears, and thereupon said petition was continued from term to term of said Commissioners to the term thereof held at Cambridge aforesaid, on the first Tuesday of January A.D. 1870, when and where said Commissioners having viewed the premises and heard the parties, did adjudge that said highway was of common convenience and necessity, and thereupon gave notice of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of locating the same and thereon said petition hath been continued from term to term to this time and now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, as follows: - The County Commissioners for said County, having given all persons and corporations interested therein reasonable notice, as the law directs, met at the house of Isaac Mellington in Medford on the second day of November in the year eighteen hundred and seventy and proceeded to locate the highway and Bridge in Malden, Medford and Somerville under the provisions of "an act to authorize the County Commissioners of the County of Middlesex to lay out a highway and construct a bridge over Malden river or Mystic River" chapter 187 approved April 22 1869. and the following description is a true one of the highway and bridge as laid out and located in the Towns of Malden Medford, and Somerville, the Bridge crossing Mystic River. The highway commences in Somerville, the Westerly boundary line beginning by the easterly side of the old Medford Turnpike now called Mystic Avenue, at a stone monument

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about three hundred feet westerly from the Easterly end of the old "dike" thence the line runs N. 1° West over land now or formerly of the Massachusetts Brick Company and E. O. & J. T. Reed, twenty two hundred and seventy five feet (2275) to a stone monument thence turning by a curve to the right by a radius of 521 feet for two hundred and fifty (250) feet over land of same to a stone monument Thence N. 24½° E. over land of same 75 feet to stone monument at high water mark of Mystic River, thence in same direction over and across Mystic river 1200 feet to a stone monument at high water mark on the northerly side of said river in the Town of Medford Thence in said course over land of owners unknown and lands of James and Isaac Mellington three thousand and twenty eight (3028) feet to a stone monument, thence N. 12° 35' E. over land of same about sixteen hundred (1600) feet to the Medford Branch Railroad Thence over the Medford Branch Railroad location and tracks, at grade, and lands of owners unknown, 847 feet to a creek separating the Towns of Medford and Malden Thence in the same course over lands of owners unknown about 290 feet, thence in same course over land of Wm Murgance, across Ann Street, and over lands of John Sheen and Thomas Maw, about 467 feet to a stone monument on the south line of Medford Street and opposite the northern terminus of Highland Avenue in that part of Malden called Edgeworth. The line above described is the westerly boundary line of said highway as hereby located, and is seventy feet wide. The Bridge across Mystic river about twelve hundred feet in length is to be a Pile Bridge with a suitable draw of the width required by law, and to be constructed by the County Commissioners under the authority of the aforesaid act and is hereby located within the limits of the aforesaid highway and the centre line of said Bridge is to be on the centre line of the aforesaid highway as above described

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And the said Commissioners determine and order, That the inhabitants of the said Town of Somerville Medford and Malden shall, on or before the first day of April which will be in the year 1873, lay out, construct, and complete said highway, in said Towns of Somerville, Medford, and Malden, so that 50 feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description, with customary loads. The grade and manner of construction of the road are to conform to a profile and specifications of the same to be made under the direction of the County Commissioners by their Engineer and to be furnished seasonably to the several Towns interested. In conforming to this order, the Commissioners require each town to keep an exact and intelligible account of the expense of making, constructing and completing said road, and when finished, after certifying to the correctness of said account, to present the same to the commissioners. And upon the acceptance of the several parts of the said roads, and the completion of the bridge, the Commissioners will, in conformity to the aforesaid act, "after due public notice and hearing of all parties interested, proceed to determine and award which Cities and Towns in said County receive particular and special benefit from the construction and maintenance of such road and bridge, and to apportion and assess upon said County and such Cities and Towns, and in such manner and amounts, as they shall deem equitable and just the cost of construction and maintenance of such road bridge and drain.

Permanent stone monuments shall be laid in placed at each end and at each angle, in said described lines. Where excavations are necessary, the banks on the sides shall not make a greater angle than 45 degrees with the horizon railings shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places

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and the whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner, to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the proprietors or occupants of the land, over which said highway is thus laid out, are allowed until the first day of June next to remove therefrom, any timber wood, or trees, and said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands (by) themselves or their agents, on the subject of damages (by) them sustained (by) reason of laying out said highway have estimated the same as follows to wit

To William Hargraves six hundred and fifty two dollars (652.00)
John O'Keen Nine hundred and thirty dollars ($930.00
Thomas Maher six hundred and eighty five dollars ($685.00
Patrick Donnan thirty dollars ($30.00
Daniel Devin, four hundred and ten dollars 410.00

In these proceedings Joseph H. Waitt Esq one of the County Commissioners took no part, he being an inhabitant of the Town of Malden, & Wm H. Ellis of Ashland, one of the special County Commissioners, acted in the place of Mr Waitt.

In Witness Whereof, We, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this second day of January, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy two

Leonard Huntress
E J Collins
Wm F Ellis

And the said Commissioners order that the highway described in said return be and the same is hereby established, as and for a public highway and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such.

And the said Commissioners further order, that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons, by reason of the premises, be paid to them respectively out of the County Treasury, when they shall present to the County Treasurer a certificate

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Signed by the Selectmen of the Town in which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway

Jno. James Sawyer
Assistant Clerk

True Copy of Return

Attest John James Sawyer
Assistant Clerk

Adjourned Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
February 10. 1872.

Mayor in the Chair
Aldermen Ferber, Pierce, Bennett, Davis, and Chase present

Record of last meeting read and approved

The report of the Chief of Police was read and placed on file.

Order from Common Council — Supt. of Streets
In Common Council February 10. 1872
Ordered That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and instructed to pay to F Henderson Superintendent of Highways weekly, such sums or sums of money as he may require to pay the laborers on the highways, taking his receipt therefor, the sums so paid to be accounted for on the last day of each and every — to draw money weekly

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month by the Superintendent of the highways adopted and sent up for concurrence
The Board of Aldermen February 10. Concurred in

Order ✓

Alderman Gines offered the following order
Ordered
That the Finance Committee be instructed to consider the salaries of the various City officers and report at the next regular meeting of the City Council.
adopted
And sent down for concurrence
The Common Council February 11 Concurred in

to consider
Salaries

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State Aid

On motion of Alderman Bennett
The order in reference to the appointment of Thomas Cunningham as agent to pay state aid was taken from the table. The action of the board in adopting the order was reconsidered. And the order was rejected

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School Committee

A Communication was received from Mr. Bowman resigning his position as a member of the School Committee
Alderman Gines moved that the resignation of Mr Bowman be accepted and that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of the two branches together with the School Committee on Saturday evening next at eight o'clock for the purpose of filling the vacancy.
The motion was adopted and Alderman Gines was chosed with the message.

vacancy
to be filled

M. Dalton
to remove
building

Permission was granted to Michael Dalton to remove a building from Broadway to Linwood Street.

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The petition of Edward P Malone and others in reference to the grading of Putnam Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

Putnam St grading of referred

The Mayor made the following nominations which were confirmed viz:

Committee on Fisheries
Mayor and Levi Russell

Committee on Fisheries

Public Weighers
Josiah B Hamblin Charles E Bent Patrick O Brine

Public Weighers

Sealer of Leather Thomas Cunningham

Sealer of Leather

Surveyors of Wood Bark and Lumber
Crandle Davis Thomas C Temple Jacob Emerson
Samuel Littlefield Noah Lewis Thomas Cunningham

Surveyors of Wood Bark and Lumber

Sealers of Weights and Measures
John C Magoun Milan G Davis

Sealers of Weights & Measures

Surveyors of Stone work
Warren Pollard, Osgood B. Dane

Surveyors of Stone work

Surveyor of Brick and Plaster work A. McSibley

Plaster work

Fence Viewers
John C Magoun, Charles C Gilman, George W Morland

Fence viewers

Undertakers
Horace B Nutting, Patrick Maffett, Albert L Sanborn

Undertakers

Pound Keepers
Charles Swett Theodore C Jolyn

Pound Keepers

Field Drivers — February 10, 1872.

David C Robbins, Charles Trull, Lairus Mann
M S Tufts, Theodore C Foster, Granville Leland
Caleb Buckman, W B Rumery, Frank Henderson
Warren Pollard, Robert M Perry, M C Parkhurst
O H Webber, O H Hudson, C C Cavanaugh
Judson M. Oliver, Edward McGan, Stephen C Mullins
Samuel A Brown, James C Coolidge

Field Drivers

Constables

Granville Leland, Joshua C Aldredge

Constables

Special Police without compensation
William Wilkinson, Granville Leland, Owen Sheridan

Special Police

On motion of Alderman Fisher
The ordinances were taken from the table and passed
on a second reading.

Ordinances second reading ordered

Adjourned to Thursday evening next at 7 o'clock
Charles E. Gilman
City Clerk

Adjourned

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
February 15. 1872.

The Mayor and Aldermen met in connection with the Joint Standing Committee on Licenses for the purpose of hearing the petitioners for leave to erect a building for a Boarding and Livery Stable: also the remonstrants against the same
D F Crane Esq appeared for the petitioners
Charles S Lincoln for the Remonstrants
All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

Hearing

February 15, 1872.

Alderman Tinkin offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1872.

Ordered

That the License to build a Stable on the corner of Broadway and Franklin Street asked for by Smith and Page and others be granted on the following conditions viz.

Said Stable shall be built of Brick with Shingle Roof, Stable to be not less than Two Stories in height; Walls of same to be built of the following thickness viz.

First Story to be sixteen inches thick

Second Story to be Twelve inches thick with cellar under the same, and all Materials to be used in its construction to be sufficiently heavy for the purposes required; and to be built in accordance with plans and Specifications satisfactory to the City Council, or to any Committee to whom they may refer the Subject. Said Stable to be set back ten feet from the lines of said Streets.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Smith and Page's Stable

Conditions

On motion of Alderman Quinn proceeded to the further consideration of the City Ordinances the continued second reading having been concluded

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman Clerk

Ordinances second reading

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

Somerville February 17 1872.

Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen, Poor, Fuller, Gines, Chase, Bennett and Davis present

Journal of last meeting read and approved

The City Council was then convened and in connection with the School Committee proceeded to fill the vacancy in the School Board caused by the resignation of Selwin Z Bowman

vacancy in School Committee

Aldermen Gines, Councilmen Barnes and Enoch B Morse of the School Board was appointed a Committee to collect votes and count the ballots.

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots cast Twenty eight all of which were for Samuel D Carlton who was declared elected

S A Carlton elected

Communication of Alderman Poor

That portion of the City Ordinances which had passed a second reading in this board was sent to the Council for their action

Ordinances

The Bonds of Granville Leland and Joshua B. Eldridge were accepted and approved

Constables Bonds Leland & Eldridge approved

The resignation of George H. Pitz as an assistant assessor was received and sent down to the Council for their information

approved

February 17, 1872.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

To the Honor the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Lowerville Fire Department
Engineers Office February 15. 1872.

Officers of the Fire Department

At a meeting of the Board of Engineers the following persons were accepted as officers of the various Companies of the Lowerville Fire Department to which they had been elected subject to your approval.

Hose Company Number One
Foreman Michael H Murphy
Assistant Foreman Thomas O Daly
Clerk Matthew Murphy

Hose Company Number Two
Foreman Joseph W Mellis
Assistant Foreman William G Hinsler
Clerk Gardner H King

Hose Company Number Three
Foreman Samuel Stevens
Assistant Foreman L B Hopkins
Clerk C D Page

Hooker Company Number One
Foreman Willard Snow
Assistant Foreman M C Tilden
Clerk Frank Thorpe

Hook and Ladder Company Number one
Foreman Alfred Horton

Henry P Morgan
Secretary
Board of Engineers

On motion of Alderman Gliner The officers as above named were approved

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On motion of Alderman Tow
The report of the Auditing Committee in reference to the accounts of Thomas Cunningham Town Treasurer was received and referred to the Committee on Printing with instructions to have the same printed in the forthcoming annual Report sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Order to print Town Treasurer's Report

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the subject of salaries to be paid to the City Officers made the following report.

Report of Finance Committee on Salaries

The Committee on Finance who have been instructed by order of the City Council to consider the subject of suitable salaries to be paid the several City Officers for the current year, have attended to that duty, and beg leave to report.

The Salary of the Mayor being limited for the first five years by the City Charter to one thousand dollars your Committee have decided to recommend that sum, One thousand dollars, for the salary of that Officer

"Mayor"

For the performance of the duties, of collecting all dues and demands of whatever nature in favor of the City, disbursing the money, and performing all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and Collector, the sum of Twenty five hundred dollars $2500,

"Treasurer & Collector"

It is thought the amount of labor required of the City Clerk will be very much greater this year, than in years immediately preceding, and to guard against placing the salary of that Officer too high your committee decided to recommend as permanent salary, the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars ($1500,) and as special, to meet extra services, the additional sum of Three hundred dollars ($300) as the salary of Auditor Two hundred dollars

City Clerk & Auditor

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It was judged by your Committee the better way for the City Physician to furnish medicines in all cases where he shall act in behalf of the City.

"Physician"

In compensation for the performance of all the duties pertaining to that office including medicine thus to be furnished, your Committee recommend the sum of Three Hundred dollars ($300.) dollars.

The salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department the sum of four Hundred dollars is recommended.

"Chief Engineer Fire Department"

It appears that the Town paid the Assistant Engineers for their services last year the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars each which sum to your Committee seemed greater than the duties and responsibilities of the office appeared to warrant, especially when we find that in Charlestown the salary of each of these officers, to be only One hundred dollars per annum, and in Cambridge One hundred and fifty dollars. Therefore it is recommended that the salaries of each of these officers for the current year shall be one hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00).

Salaries

"Asst. Engineers Fire Department"

The sum agreed upon for the salary of Solicitor by your Committee is three hundred dollars ($300.00

"Solicitor"

In compensation for the services of the three principal assessors the sum of six hundred dollars each is recommended amounting for the three to Eighteen hundred dollars $1800.00

"Assessors"

The spirit of the City Charter as implied by its language, seems to limit the duties of Assistant Assessors to their several Wards in which they reside. Should this view be adopted as a basis, there would be great disproportion between these officials in the amount of labor to be performed. To meet which it is recommended that the Assistant Assessors be paid four dollars for each days actual services performed by them.

"Assistant Assessors"

It is recommended that the salary of the Chief of Police be the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum $1500.00

"Chief of Police"

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Night Police three dollars per day
Day Police two and ⅔ dollars per day

"Night Police"
"Day Police"

Superintendent of Streets twelve hundred dollars per annum

"Supt of Streets"

Clerk of Engineers of the Department Fifty dollars per annum

"Clerk of Engineers Fire Department"

For the three Overseers of the Poor elected as such, as compensation for their services for the current year the sum of Four hundred dollars is recommended to be equally divided among them, or as they may themselves, agree.

"Overseers of the Poor"

The Offices of Messenger not having been filled, and that of City Engineer not having been regularly filled, no action by your Committee has been taken in relation to the salaries of such officers

Respectfully submitted Clark Bennett Chairman
February 17, 1872.
Upon motion of Alderman Fuller the report was laid on the Table

The order sent to the Common Council for their concurrence dated February 15 in reference to the erection of a Livery Stable on the corner of Franklin Street and Broadway with the following amendment endorsed thereon.

In Common Council February 17, 1872
Amended: That the walls of said building shall not be less than twelve inches thick and that said stable shall be placed ten feet from Broadway.
Vote of the order concurred in and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen Feb 17 concurred in

"Smith and Pages Stable"

"Amendment"

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On motion of Alderman Fuller
The following bills was referred to the Committee on accounts and if found correct the Mayor was authorised to draw a in payment for the same.

Bills

Union Hall Company rent of rooms	$16.66
Thomas Cunningham for services as Treasurer To February 10 do	$111.10
Thomas Cunningham Collecting Sewer ass's	40.33
Cambridge Gas Company Gas for High School building To January 1. 1872.	29.38
Cambridge Gas Company Gas for Music School House To January 1. 1872.	56.45
George M. Ireland for Postage Stamps Stationery, &c	28.00
Lowell Reform School for support of boys To January 1. 1872.	52.00
Bill of C. J. Adams Master of House of correction for support of Hugh Breslin John Bates, Mary Pryor, John Ryan and Michael Kelly To Dec 31. 1872.	$50.86

Approved

On motion of Alderman Fuller
Proceeded with the reading of the City Ordinancy.

Ordinances

The second reading of the ordinances having been concluded adjourned to Saturday morning next

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

reading

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Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
Somerville February 24. 1872.

Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen Parr, Forbes, Gilmore, Chase, Bennett and Davis, present.

Journal of last meeting read and approved

The declination of Robert A. Vinal as assistant assessor was received and sent down to the Council for their information. — Declination of R. A. Vinal Asst Assessor

The declination of Levi Russell as a member of the Fish Commission was received and sent down to the Council for their information. — Declination of Levi Russell Fisheries

The petition of George W. Lamson and others in reference to the laying out and acceptance of Sacramento Street was referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence — Concurred in — Sacramento Street referred

The petitions of J. V. B. Sutcliffe and others in reference to laying out and widening of Cottage Street was referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence — Concurred in — Cottage Street referred

The Ordinances having been read three were passed to be enrolled — Ordinances enrolled

The following order was received from the Common Council

In Common Council February 24 1872

Ordered That the Committee on Highways be and are hereby authorized and instructed to bring

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grant from the City gravel lot in Winchester as suggested in their report of January 30. 1872. — Grant ✓

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen February 24. 1872. Concurred

On motion of Alderman Bennett

Voted That the board proceed to the consideration of unfinished business.

Several communications were received in reference to the competency of L. R. Gann for the position of City Civil Engineer which were read.

Charles D. Elliot was nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by the Aldermen as City Civil Engineer — City Civil Engineer confirmed ✓

On motion of Alderman Fuller proceeded to the election of an Assistant Assessor from Ward Three

Alderman Poor was appointed to collect, sort, and count the votes

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes 18. all of which were for Samuel Littlefield who was declared elected on the part of the Board of Aldermen. — Asst Assessor

Non Concurring with the Council — Ward 3 —

On motion of Alderman Bennett The elections of Assistant Assessors from Wards One and Two was assigned for Saturday evening next. — Elections assigned

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The bill of Agnes Wakefield for Matrons for the Prescott and High Schools was referred to Committee on Public Property

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On motion of Alderman Fuller.

The report of the Finance Committee laid on the table at the last meeting was taken up and the salaries of

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The City officers were fixed in accordance with the report excepting that of the Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department which was increased from One hundred and fifty dollars to Two hundred dollars, and the Overseers of the Poor was fixed at Two hundred dollars per year each, instead of Four hundred dollars for the board making the annual salaries of the City officers as follows, — Salaries fixed

Mayor One Thousand dollars per annum — Mayor

Treasurer and Collector Twenty five hundred dollars — Treasurer & Collector

City Clerk Fifteen hundred dollars and Three hundred dollars for extra services, as Auditor Two hundred dollars — City Clerk

Clerk of Common Council Two hundred dollars — C. C. Clerk

City Physician Three hundred dollars — Physician

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department Four hundred dollars — Chief Eng Fire Dep.

Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department Two hundred dollars each — Ass. Eng. Fire Dep.

City Solicitor Three hundred dollars — Solicitor

Three Principal assessors Six hundred dollars each — Assessors

Assistant Assessors Four dollars for each days actual service performed by them — Assistant Assessors

Chief of Police Fifteen hundred dollars — Chief of Police

Night Police Three dollars per day. — Night

Day Police Two dollars and fifty cents per day — Day

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Superintendent of Streets Twelve hundred dollars — Supt. of Streets

Clerk of Engineers of Fire Department fifty dollars — Clerk Eng. F.D.

Overseers of the Poor Two hundred dollars each — Overseers of Poor

The report as amended was sent down for concurrence

The subject of the Salary of City Engineer was referred to the Committee on Finance to consider and report — City Engineer referred

On motion of Mr Grimes
Voted That the City Engineer be required to devote his whole time in the service of the City — Duties of City Engineer

Alderman Grimes moved to pay Mr Lord the Contractor for building Hose House on Marshall the sum of $995.07 being the seventh payment due in accordance with the terms of his contract The motion was rejected. — Marshall St. Hose House

Adjourned to Saturday Evening next at 7½ o'Clock — Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

March 2. 1872.

Mayor in the Chair

Aldermen Poor, Tucker, Hall, Grimes, Chase, Bennett and Davis present

Record of last meeting read and approved

The resignation of Alderman Hadley having been read, Alderman Tucker offered the following order which was adopted. — Resignation of Alderman G. M. Hadley

Ordered, that the resignation of George M. Hadley, as a member of the Board of Aldermen, be accepted, and that the Mayor and Aldermen issue their warrants for a new election to fill the vacancy occasioned by said Hadley's resignation, such election to be held on the thirteenth day of March instant — Order for election

The report of the Chief of Police was read and placed on file — Report of Ch. of Police

W. B. Barker as Assistant Foreman, S. R. Hatch as Clerk of Prescott Hook and Ladder Company, was confirmed — Officers of H & L. Co confirmed

The petition of John M. Phillips and others in reference to a nuisance in Ward Two was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence — Nuisance in Ward 2 referred

In common Council March 2. 1872.

Concurred in

The communication of G. S. Rollins giving notice of his intention to build on Mill Street and asking in reference to the proposed widening and grade of said Mill Street was referred to Committee on Ways — G. S. Rollins intention to build

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and sent down for Concurrence

The petition of Charles S Lincoln and others in reference to providing accommodations for the Public Library was referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence — Public Library — referred

In Common Council March 2. Concurred in

The communication of James A Clark and others in reference to the grading of Rush Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. — Rush street grading — referred

In Common Council March 2 Concurred in

The petition of Peter Gordon for permission to remove a building from Charlestown line to Maple Avenue was referred to Committee on Licenses with full power and sent down for Concurrence — Peter Gordon's petition — referred

In Common Council March 2. 1872. Concurred in

The petition of Henry F Woods that Forster Street may be widened and accepted as a Public way was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. — Forster street — referred

In Common Council March 2. 1872. Concurred in

Communication of City Solicitor on the matter of Matthias Ryan — City Solicitor's decision in case of Matthias Ryan

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In the Senate, the City Council of the City of Somerville.

In the matter of Matthias Ryan which has been referred to the City Council, I have to report, that immediately after it was so referred, the City was relieved of all further responsibility for the maintenance of Ryan and his family by a settlement being effected

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the claim which he had against the City of Cambridge for damages caused to him on account of a defect in the highway of said City, and that therefore there was no necessity for taking any further action in the premises.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Thomas H. Bowman City Solicitor

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council March 2. 1872 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Finance on Salary of City Civil Engineer

Report of Committee on Finance in reference to salary of City Civil Engineer

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the matter of considering the salary for City Engineer for the current year have attended to that duty and beg leave to report: The amount of services that will be required of this officer for the current year is to them unknown. In your Committee a matter of much doubt, but it has seemed to them the safe way to fix the salary comparatively low, and in case the compensation should be too small it would in all probability be increased to an amount sufficient to compensate for the services performed.

In entertaining this view we recommend the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars for the salary of this officer: his assistants to be furnished at his expense.

Clark Bennett Chairman of Finance Committee

The report was accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council March 2. 1872.

Non concurred in

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Order from Common Council
In Common Council March 2. 1872.
Ordered That the Salary of the City Civil Engineer be fixed at Fifteen hundred dollars for the current year, said Engineer to furnish his own Assistants and Instruments. Adopted and sent up for Concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen March 2. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Establishing of Salaries now returned from the Common Council with the following amendment, - That the salary of the Superintendent of Streets be fifteen hundred dollars instead of twelve hundred dollars
In Board of Aldermen the amendment was concurred in and returned to the Council.

Salary of Superintendent of Streets

Order from Common Council
In Common Council March 2. 1872.
Ordered That the Standing Committee on Public Property be instructed to call and examine the Police Lock Ups of the City and report what accommodations if any are wanted
Adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 2. Concurred in

Order 15 examine Lock ups

Alderman Fox offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 2 1872.
Ordered
That the Mayor and City Solicitor be instructed to petition the Legislature for a special Act to authorize the construction of sidewalks in the City of Somerville of Brick, Stone, or other Materials, and the assessment of the expense thereof in whole or in part, so to the Mayor and City Council may seem best upon the abutters.
Adopted sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 2. 1872 Concurred in

Petition for Act in relation to Sidewalks

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Alderman Ames offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 2. 1872
Ordered:—

That a room in this building be assigned to Mr Albert Civil Engineer and fitted up for his convenience and that he be directed to take charge of all plans belonging to the City and classify and number or index the same, so that they can be conveniently found when required for reference.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 2. 1872 Concurred in

Office for City Civil Engineer

Charles Adams and Obadiah Merrill were drawn as Grand Jurors at the District Court to be holden at Boston

Grand Jurors

Frank C Williams, Williams D Harrington, Timothy Callahan, and Eza B Robinson were drawn as Petit Jurors at the District Court to be holden at Boston

Petit Jurors

Samuel Elliot, George M Hadley, & Isaac Hardy were drawn as Jurors at the Superior Court to be holden at Lowell.

Jurors

Order from Common Council
In Common Council March 2. 1872.
Ordered:—

That the Joint Standing Committee on Finance be requested to consider what compensation should be given the general ward officers, and report their opinion

Adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 2. 1872 Concurred in

Salaries of Ward Officers

March 2, 1872.

On motion of Alderman Shaler proceeded to the election of Assistant Assessors from Wards One and Two-

Alderman Shaler was appointed to collect votes and count the votes for Assistant Assessor from Ward One. _____ Report of Committee _____

Whole number of votes was Seven, all of which was for Charles Ho Jenks who was declared elected-

Assistant Assessor

Ward One

Alderman Shaler was appointed to collect votes and count the votes for Assistant Assessor from Ward Two _____ Report of Committee _____

Whole number of votes Seven all of which were for George H. Ireland who was declared elected.

Assistant Assessor

Ward Two

Alderman H. Bennett offered the following joint Resolutions _____

The Board of Aldermen March 2. 1872. _____

_____ Whereas information has been received that John H. Squires and others have proposed a plan to the Legislature for filling in as a tidal basin that part of Mill River so called, being between the Boston and Albany Rail Road and the Bridge in Mill St near Glenville Land Works in Somerville

Therefore, Resolved, as the sense of the City Council, that this or any kindred plan will only serve to create a nuisance already intolerable, because this proposed basin can only be filled by filthy and polluted matter not fit to be admitted where people dwell or pass to and fro in their business transactions

That the only safe course to pursue in the treatment of this important question, is the immediate construction of a Trunk Sewer through the entire length of this basin and to the flats therein to a fixed grade, as soon as the same can justly be done, consistent with the

Nuisance

Miller's River

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interests of all parties concerned therein.

Resolved, That the Mayor, City Solicitor, Committee on Sewers, and Committee on Health, be hereby requested to support these views before our Legislative Committee, when they are this subject appearing, and that our representatives in the Legislature also be requested to act, in accordance with the opinions herein contained.

Adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council March 2. 1872 Concurred in

Order from Common Council

In Common Council March 2. 1872

Ordered, That the Joint Committee on Printing be and are hereby instructed to have printed sufficient Warrants for the Special meeting called on the 18 instant for distribution in the several Wards.

In Board of Aldermen Concurred in

For City of Warrants per file

Order to print Warrants

On motion of Alderman Fuller

Voted to consider the ordinances as amended by the Common Council

Voted, The amendments were concurred in except the following viz.

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and returned to the Council for their consideration. They were to this Branch with the following indorsement —

The amendments to the Ordinances now concurred in by the Board of Aldermen were agreed to with the exception of Section First Page 30.

The Common Council adhering to their amendment of this section

Amendments to Ordinances

March 2, 1872.

On motion of Alderman Gines
Voted That the Board of Aldermen adhere to
their action in the matter and ask for a committee
of conference

Adjourned to Saturday Evening next.

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
Somerville March 9 1872
Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Turner, Hall, Gines, Chase,
Bennett and Davis present.

Journal of last meeting read and approved

Paper from Common Council
In Common Council March 9 1872.
Ordered
That the Board of Aldermen be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with a Committee from this Branch, in relation to the amendment of Section 1. Page 30. No. 17. "An Ordinance concerning Mystic Lake Water.
Order adopted
and Messrs Nymes, French, and Bolton appointed on the part of the Council sent up for Concurrence

Amendments to Ordinances

Committee of conference

In Board of Aldermen March 9 Concurred in, Aldermen Chase, Gines, and Davis, were appointed on the part of this Board.

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Order from Common Council.
Ordered
That the Board of Aldermen be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with a Committee from this Board, in relation to the salary of the Superintendent of Streets.
Order adopted and Messrs Kinnison, Lord, and Conant appointed on the part of the Council
Sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 9 Concurred in
Aldermen Poor, Hallward Davis were appointed on the part of this Branch.

Salary of Supt of Streets
Committee of conference

Order from Common Council
In Common Council March 9 1872
Ordered
That the Board of Aldermen be requested to appoint a Committee to confer with a Committee from this Branch, in relation to the election of an Assistant Assessor for Ward Three
Order adopted and Messrs Woods, Barnes and Kinnison appointed on the part of the Council
Sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 9 Concurred in
Aldermen Poor, Glines, and Chase appointed on the part of this Branch

Assistant Assessor Ward Three
Committee of conference

Petition of Michael Hanley for damages on account of raising the grade of Mill Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council March 16 Concurred in

Mk Hanley claim referred

(Daniel) M Danforth was nominated and confirmed as Public Weigher

Public Weigher

March 9, 1872.

Petition of Person Davis for damages on account of the laying out of the extension of Highland Avenue was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council March 11. Concurred in

Person Davis claim referred

Communication of D. F. Crane in reference to the claim of R. D. Melvin was referred to committee on claims, sent down for concurrence.
(March 11. Concurred in.)

R. A. Melvin claim referred

The petition of Joseph J. Giles for the position of City Messenger was accepted and placed on file

Petition of Jos. J. Giles Messenger

Order from Common Council
In Common Council March 2. 1872.
Ordered
That the seal of the City and the management of the representations thereon, be left to the Committee on Ordinances,
adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 9. Concurred in

City Seal referred

The petition of G. S. Rollins which was referred to Committee on Licenses and sent to the Council for their concurrence came back with the following indorsement.
Amended by referring the intention to build to the Mayor and Aldermen, the widening and grade of Street to the Committee on Highways,
sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 9 1872
Amendment concurred in

G. S. Rollins' petition referred

March 9, 1872.

Paper from Common Council
In Common Council March 2. 1872.
Concurred in the election of Charles P. Jenks, as Assistant Assessor from Ward one, and Geo. H. Nelson as Assistant Assessor from Ward Three, sustaining the election, on the part of this Branch of F. Williams for that position.

Action of Common Council Assistant Assessors

Petition of Charles H. Burton for State Aid was referred to Committee on State Aid and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 11. Concurred in

C. H. Burton's petition referred

Petition of John B. Hood Hose Company for a Hose Hose Carriage was referred to Committee on Fire Department sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council March 11. Concurred in

J. B. Hood Hose petition referred

Petition of J. B. Shuter and others that Mount Vernon Street be laid out and graded was referred to Committee on highways sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 16 Concurred in

Mt. Vernon St. referred

Communication from Francis J. Oliver in reference to the Main Drain across Franklin Street was referred to Committee on Sewers, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 11 concurred in

F. J. Oliver's petition referred

The petition of Minerva Hill Hose Company for an alarm bell was received from the Council it having been referred to the Committee on Fire Department and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 9 Concurred in its reference

Minerva Hill Hose Co. petition for Bell referred

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Paper from the Common Council
Being the petition of Isaac Pitman and others
for the purchase of land on Spring Hill for a public
park, indorsed referred to the Committee on Public Property
sent up for Concurrence.
On Motion of Alderman Fisher amended by adding
Committee on Finance. sent down for Concurrence

Public Park on Spring Hill referred

Williams M Willoughby and Henry M Brown
were drawn as jurors to the District Court to be
holden at Boston

Jurors

Report of Committee on Sewers
March 9. 1872.

Report of

On a meeting of the Sewer Committee held for the
purpose of considering applications for abatements,
your committee respectfully recommend that
the following abatements be made and allowed

Committee on Sewers

On Marshall Street West end
R. P. Ballou $ 4.25 Jacob Littlefield $ 67.50
Cornelius O. Dowd assd Po S. Hanlon $ 27.50
Rufus B Stickney $ 105.87
Total abatement on Marshall Street Sewer $ 203.02
On Summer Street Sewer a. E. Winal 2 feet 1.80
" Winal Avenue " a. E. Winal 60 feet 54.00
" School Street " Albert Fitch 1 foot 85

Respectfully Submitted and
Signed by the Committee on Sewers
Report accepted, adopted, sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council March 14. 1872. Concurred in

Petition of Edward Cahill for permission to remove
a House and Stable from Holland Street to Milk Street
was referred to the Committee on Licenses with full powers
sent down for Concurrence. In Common Council concurred in

E. Cahill's petition referred

March 9, 1872.

Report of Committee on Public Property.
Somerville March 9. 1872.

Report on Lock up

The committee on Public Property "as per order," have examined the Police Lock Up, and herewith report, The room is entirely too small and badly ventilated, The Lock Up is too small and not suitable for the uses designed

Your Committee recommend that larger and better accommodations be provided

John R. Poor Chairman of Committee

Report accepted, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 16. Concurred in

On motion of Alderman Tucker proceeded to revise the Check lists

Check Lists revised

On motion of Alderman Tucker the lists as revised was adopted and ordered to be posted as required by law.

Alderman Poor moved that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention forthwith of the two Branches to hear the report of the committee on Public Property relating to the alteration of the old high school building for City purposes.
The motion was adopted
Alderman Poor was charged with the message
A Message was received from the Council concurring in the proposal for a convention of the two Branches.

Alteration of "Old" High School building

City Council in Convention

The Report of the Committee on Public Property relating to the alteration of the Old High School Building together with the plans were deliberated upon without taking any definite action thereon

The Convention then dissolved

March 9, 1872.

Alderman Fuller offered the following order
Ordered
That Article 7 Section 1 of the Rules and Orders of this Board be suspended, so that the order passed at the last meeting of this Board in regard to the acceptance of the resignation of George H Gladding as a member of this Board and an election being held to fill the vacancy occasioned by such resignation on March 15th instant be amended by striking out all of said order except that part which relates to the acceptance of the resignation of said Gladding.
The order was adopted.

Order for election of Alderman from Ward One

Alderman Fuller offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 9
Ordered
That the order passed at the last meeting of this Board and described in the above order be amended by striking out all of said order except that part which relates to the acceptance of the resignation of said Gladding.
The order was adopted

Alderman Fuller offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 9
Ordered
That the Mayor and Aldermen issue their Warrants for a new election of one Alderman from Ward one to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen occasioned by the resignation of George H Gladding, such election to be held on the twenty third day of March instant at one o'clock P.M.
The Order was adopted

Order to issue Warrants

March 9, 1872.

Alderman Turner offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 9 1872.
Ordered

That the warrants for meetings of the citizens of the several wards, to be held on the twenty third day of March instant, for the purpose of electing one Alderman to fill a vacancy now existing in the Board of Aldermen, and passed by the Mayor and Aldermen, shall be in the form as shown by the said warrants hereto annexed, and shall be served by any Constable of the City, by leaving a copy of the warrant for meetings of the citizens in each ward, at the residence of every citizen in that ward qualified to vote at the meetings called thereby; and by posting a copy thereof near the places of said meetings respectively. such service to be made in both modes seven days at least before the time of holding such meetings, and that the Constable to whom any of said warrants shall be delivered for service, shall duly return the same with his doings thereon to the Warden of the Ward named therein, on or before the time of Meeting of the citizens of said Ward as therein specified.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 9. 1872 Concurred in

Order for Warrants

Copy of Warrants

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting

Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No. One, qualified to vote, as the law directs, to assemble at Prescott Hall, in the Prescott School Building on Pearl Street, on Saturday, the twenty third day of March instant, at one o' clock in the afternoon, and then & there

Ward One

March 9, 1872.

To give in their ballots for one Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City, and resident of said Ward One, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon.

Given under George O Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E Gilman City Clerk

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville.

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No. Two, qualified to vote as the law directs, to assemble at Hanscom Hall, in Union Square, on Saturday, the Twenty Third day of March inst., at one o'clock in the afternoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman, to be an inhabitant of this City, and resident of said Ward one, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Given under George O Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Seventy Two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E Gilman

City Clerk

Warrant

Ward Two

City of Somerville March 9, 1872.

To any Constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Six, qualified to vote, as the law directs, to assemble at the Hall in the Foster School Building on Sycamore Street, on Saturday, the twenty third day of March instant, at one o'clock in the afternoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman, to be an inhabitant of this City, and resident of said Ward One, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board

Warrant

Ward Three

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon.

Witness, George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen.
Charles E Gilman City Clerk

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville:
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Six, Four qualified to vote as the law directs, to assemble at the Hall in the Ward School House on Summer Street on Saturday the twenty third day of March instant at one o'clock in the afternoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman, to be an inhabitant of this City, and resident in Ward one, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board

Warrant

Ward Four

Hereof fail not and make due return

March 9, 1872.

of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O'Braston, Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this ninth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E. Pinman City Clerk.

Alderman Quinn offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen March 9. 1872.

Order for alteration of Old High School building

Ordered That the Committee on Public Property be instructed to proceed forthwith with the alterations of the Old High School Building as proposed by them at a former meeting, with the addition of a Brick gable, and in conformity with a vote passed by the City Council January 18th 1872 at an expense not exceeding Six thousand dollars

Order Adopted sent down for Concurrence

Concurred in

Town Auditor's Report

The Report of the Auditor on the financial Conditions of the Town of Somerville for the year 1871 was accepted and ordered to be printed in the forthcoming Annual Report, and sent down for Concurrence.

Trial Balance

Public Property	see Table A	649.570	26		
Funded Debt	" " B			593.349	00
Available Assets	" " C	31.702	98		
Unfunded Liabilities	" " D			18.714	19
Property and Debt Balance				69.210	05
		681.273	24	681.273	24

Excess of Public Property over Funded Debt	56.221.26
Excess of available assets over unfunded Liabilities	12.988.79
Property and Debt Balance as above	$ 69.210.05

Table "A" Public Property — March 9, 1872

Land on Central Hill		59408.99
High School House (old) and land Furniture Instruments &c		15.500.00
High School House (new) exclusive of land unfinished		49.706.16
Prescott School House and land furniture &c		45000.00
Prospect Hill		14250.00
Forster		45.000.00
Shaw		29.935.89
Lincoln		12.500.00
Bennett		12.500.00
Jackson		7.000.00
Webster		12.500.00
Union		2.000.00
Howard		1.500.00
Bungalow		6.500.00
Edgerly		24733.62
Cedar Street		1.000.00
Franklin		12700.00
Spring Hill		1.400.00
Somerville Water Works		202.398.43
Town House on Broadway		5.000.00
Town Stables (exclusive of land)		10.880.08
Police Station Stables and land		4.500.00
Steam Fire engine House exclusive of land		20576.31
Cobb & Hook House House and land		3.000.00
Franklin Hill Hose House unfinished and land		4.796.47
George H. Foster Hose and Prescott Hook and		
Ladder House and Armory Stables, Old Hose		
House and land (including Town Pound)		9.100.00
Steam Fire Engine, hose, harnesses &c		6.000.00
Steamer Hose Carriage and Hose, horse &c		5.200.00
John B. Hook Hose Carriage and Hose No. 1		2.900.00
Franklin Hill Hose Carriage and Hose No 2		1.527.22
George H. Foster Hose Carriage & Hose House No 3		3.109.88
Spring Hill Hose Carriage and Hose		1.527.22
Prescott Hook and Ladder Carriage & apparatus		500.00
Hand Engine and apparatus		800.00

March 9, 1872.

Land on Joy Street		300.00
Land on Broadway Old Natural Hist School Lot		400.00
Ledge on Broadway		3,700.00
Ledge on Mill Street		2,000.00
Ledge on Bond Street		1,900.00
Gravel Land in Town of Winchester		700.00
Equipments for Highways repairs horses		
Carts harnesses tools &c		4800.00
Furniture in Town Clerks, Treasurers,		
Collectors and Assessors offices		820.00
		64,957.26

"B"

Funded Debt

Date of Loan	Loan	To whom Payable	Rate per	when due	amount
		Warren Inst for Savings et al			
May 16 1862	Town	Warren Ins for Savings	5%	May 16. 1872	7,495
April 3, 1867	War	E. Bancr. Fin. & Sav Bank	7	April 3, 1872	10,000
July 1. 1869	Water	Water Bond No 4	"	July 1 1872	50,000.
July 1. 1867	School	Boston Sav Savings Bank	"	" " "	30,000.
" " "	Town	Warren Inst for Savings	"	" " "	15,500
Aug 25. 1867	War	" " " "	"	Aug 25 1872	12,000.
Nov 25 1862	Town	Levi Jones	6	Nov 25 1872	5,000.
Dec. 2. 1867	"	(John Peabody)	7	Dec 2. 1872	2,500.
April. 1. 1870	Water	Water Bond No 5	"	April 1. 1873	20,000
Dec. 1. 1869	Town	Town Bond No 2	"	Dec 1. 1874	35,000
" " "	School	School Bond No 1	"	" " "	27,000.
Jan. 1. 1869	Water	Water Bond No 1	6%	Jany 1 1879	10,000.
" " "	"	" " " 2	"	" " "	10,000
" " "	"	" " " 3	"	" " "	10,000.
July 29. 1859	Town	Lucy Bell	5%	July 22 1879	5454.
Oct 1. 1859	"	Town Bond No 1	"	Oct 1. 1879	14,400.
July 1. 1870	"	" " No 3	6%	July 1 1880	55,000.
Oct 1. 1870	"	" " No 4	"	Oct 1. 1880	24,500.
" " "	Water	Water Bond No 6	"	" " "	40,000.
Dec 31. 1870	"	Water Bond No 7	"	Jany 1 1881	20,000.

"B"

March 9, 1872

Date of Loan	Loan	To whom payable	Rate per cent of interest	When due	Amount
Dec 31. 1870	Town	Town Bond No. 5	6%	January 1. 1881	5000.
" " "	School	School Bond No 2	6%	" " "	6000.
April 1. 1871	School	School Bond No. 3	6%	April 1. 1881	60000
Oct 1. 1871	Water	Water Bond No. 8	"	Oct. 1. 1891	10000.
" " "	"	do No. 9	"	" " "	10000.
" " "	"	do No. 10	"	" " "	10000.
" " "	"	do No. 11	"	" " "	10000.
" " "	Town	Town Bond No. 6	"	" " "	10000
" " "	"	do. No. 7	6	" " "	2000.
" " "	"	do No. 8	6%	" " "	11500.
" " "	School	School Bond No. 4	"	" " "	25000.
June 27. 1864	War	Margaret Leudier	5%	June 27. 1884	20000.
Sept 23. 1864	"	Hannah Trot for Pauper	6	Sept 23. 1884	21000.
Dec 1. 1864	"	" do "	"	Dec 1. 1884	5000.
					$ 893,349.

"C"

Available Assets

Taxes. 1870 – uncollected	17960
Taxes 1871 – uncollected	20871.
Sewer assessments. 1870. uncollected	801.00.
Sewer assessments 1871. uncollected	7474.16.
State of Mass – for state aid paid in 1871.	4080.46.
Estate of Benjamin Randall	4060.46.
Cash in Treasury	13020.12.
	$ 31,702.98.

Unfunded "D" Liabilities

March 9, 1872.

High School House - Special appropriation unexpended balance	10.293.84
Edgerly do " " " "	266.38
Winter Hill Wor House " " " "	5203.58
Somerville Water Works " " " "	712.68
Public Library - money received for Dog Licenses held for Library by vote of the Town	2.237.76
	$ 18.714.19

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

March 16. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Fuller, Holt, Gilmore, Chase, Bennett and Davis present

Journals of last meeting read and approved

The petition of A D Read in reference to the grade of Summer Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council March 16 Concurred in

Petition of H M Beals and others for Steps at bank on Medford Street near Railroad Bridge was referred to Committee on Public Property with full powers sent down for concurrence - Concurred in

Steps on Meadow Street

March 16, 1872.

The communication of George H. Ireland declining the position of Fence viewer and Assistant Assessor, was received and ordered to be placed on file and sent down to the Council for their information — Resignation of Geo. H. Ireland

William C. Pierce was licensed as an auctioneer — W. C. Pierce

The communication of B. B. Russell in reference to a map of the town was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence — Town Maps

On motion of Alderman Tucker
The annual report of the School Committee was referred to the Committee on Printing with instructions to have the same printed in the forthcoming annual report and sent down to the Council for their concurrence
In Common Council March 16. Concurred in — School Committee report

The report of the Committee on Fire Department was accepted and sent down for concurrence. — Committee on Fire Department

Report of Committee

The order by which the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department were instructed to examine the building upon Washington Street occupied by the Hook and Ladder and Hose Company, also consider the propriety of removing the bell from the Foster School house to the new hose house on Marshal Street. Having made an examination of the rooms occupied by the Fire Companies on Washington Street. The Committee report — Report

That they find the room used by the hose company very small and inconvenient.
We recommend that this room be enlarged, as soon as

March 16, 1872.

practicable by the removal of the lockups in the rear and such partitions as may be necessary to give this Company a room larger and of greater convenience. Neither the Hook and Ladder and Hose Companies have suitable apartments in this building for sleeping or for holding Company meetings, other than those in which their ~~apparatus~~ respective carriages are kept.

We further recommend the removal of the Somerville Light Infantry Company soon as a suitable Hall can be obtained and the room occupied by them be suitably arranged for the use of the Fire Department. In our opinion the bell upon the Foster School House, be left remains in its present position; as it can now be used as an alarm in case of fire, and inasmuch the Telegraphic Fire alarm system is established in this City, and we believe it will be at no distant day, its present situation is as good and better than any other that could be selected for it; We therefore recommend that a suitable bell be purchased for the Hose Carriage House on Marshall Street. Respectfully submitted by the Committee

D. C. Chase.

In Board of Aldermen Accepted
Sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council March 16. 1872. Concurred in

Alderman Hall offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen March 16. 1872.

Ordered That the Mayor and City Solicitor be instructed to apply to the Legislature for an act to establish a Police Court in the City of Somerville — Order

Order adopted sent down for Concurrence — Police

In Common Council March 16. 1872. Concurred in — Court

March 16, 1872.

Alderman Chase offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 16. 1872.
Ordered
That the City Engineer under the direction of the Joint Committee on Highways is hereby instructed to examine our Street lines, and in case it shall be found that there are encroachments by abutters upon any Street or Streets, to report the same to said Committee or to the City Council as shall be deemed most expedient

Encroachments on Streets

Order adopted sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 16. Concurred in

The petition of S. F. Crane and others to lay out Pinehurst Street from Washington Street to and across land of S. S. Woodcock to Pearl Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council March 16 Concurred in

Pinehurst street referred

Alderman Chase offered the following order
Ordered
That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase a suitable bell for the Marshall Street Hose House
Order adopted. Sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council March 16 Concurred in

Marshall st Hose House Bell

Alderman Chase offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 16. 1872.
Ordered
That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department be authorized to purchase a Horse Hose Carriage whenever in their judgment the Department shall require it at a cost not to exceed One Thousand dollars
Order adopted. Sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 16. Concurred in

Order to purchase Horse Hose Carriage

March 16, 1872.

The petition of M. Deehan for leave to encumber a portion of Prospect Street while erecting a building was referred to Committee on Licenses and sent down for concurrence

Mr. Deehan's petition referred

Paper from Common Council
In Common Council March 16, 1872
Ordered That the Joint Standing Committee on Highways be requested to report a plan for watering the streets of the City during the coming season
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 16 Concurred in

watering Streets

Paper from Common Council
In Common Council March 16, 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Highways be authorized to purchase four Carts and four harnesses, if in their judgment it is deemed necessary
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 16 Concurred in

Order to purchase carts &c

Report of Joint Committee of Conference
In Common Council March 16, 1872
The Joint Committee of Conference in regard to Assistant Assessor for Ward Three, unanimously agreed upon Mr. Frank G. Williams as a suitable person for the office.
Report accepted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 16 Concurred in

Assistant Assessor Ward Three

Notice was received from the Common Council of the election of C. C. Mann as assistant assessor from Ward Two, and Frank G. Williams as assistant assessor from Ward Three, on the part of the Council

March 16, 1872.

Report of Joint Committee of Conference
In Common Council March 16. 1872.
The Committee of Conference in regard to Salary
for Superintendent of Streets herewith report that
The sum be Fourteen hundred dollars
Report accepted and sent up for Concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen March 16. Concurred in

Supt. of streets. salary of

Paper from Common Council
In Common Council March 16. 1872.
Ordered
That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorised to
pay such sums pr. sums from the "Soldiers Relief
Fund" as may be specified in per order or orders
signed by the Clerk of the Committee on State aid
and Soldiers Relief, said sums so paid to be accounted
for on the last day of each and every month by said
Clerk

Soldiers Relief

Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 16 Concurred in

Report of Joint Committee of Conference
In Common Council March 16. 1872.
The Joint Committee of Conference to whom was referred
Section 1. of ordinance No 17. would report, that they
recommend, to erase the words "and a clerk" from
the first paragraph, and to insert in the first line,
of the third paragraph the words "a Clerk and" The
Section to stand in all other respects as printed.
Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 16 Concurred in

Ordinance amendments

On motion of Alderman Fuller proceeded to the
Election of Assistant Assessors from Wards Two and
Three.
Alderman Fuller was appointed to collect, sort and

March 16, 1872.

Count the votes, the result being as follows.
The whole number of votes for Assistant Assessor from Ward Two was Seven all of which were Aaron B Mann who was declared elected in concurrence

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The whole number of votes for Assistant Assessor from Ward Three was Seven all of which were for Thomas G Williams who was declared elected in concurrence

Assistant Assessor Ward Three

Alderman Poor offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 16. 1872
Ordered That the Committee, to whom was referred the order in regard to obtaining the repeal of the Act relating to building the Highway from Medford to Somerville across Mystic River, be authorized to invite the Legislative Committee to view the premises, and the expense be paid by the City of Somerville
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Mystic river Highway Committee to view

Alderman Pierce offered the following order.
In Board of Aldermen March 16. 1872.
Ordered That Edward Cahill have permission to remove a building through Elm and Mills Streets. and that the Rail Road Company be notified that it will probably obstruct their tracks during the progress of the same
Order adopted, and sent down for concurrence
Returned from the Council with the following indorsement
In Common Council March 16. 1872.
Amended by referring to the Committee on Licenses with full powers
In Board of Aldermen March 16. Concurred in

E. Cahill's petition report

March 16, 1872

The amendment was received from the Common Council to Ordinance Number Thirteen Section first as follows

Ordinance

Amendments

No street or highway shall be accepted by the City that is less than forty feet wide

Alderman Fisher moved to amend by adding the words "excepting those streets now built upon."

The amendment was rejected.

Alderman Pierce moved to amend by striking out the word "accepted" and inserting the words "laid out".

The amendment was adopted.

And the amendments as so amended was concurred in and returned to the Council for their concurrence.

Adjourned to Friday Evening next at Seven Thirty

Charles C Gilman
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen.
March 22. 1872.

Aldermen Hall, Poor, Fisher, Pierce, Chase, Bennett and Davis present

In the absence of the Mayor Alderman Hall was elected chairman

Several names were added to the voting lists

Ordinances
Amendments
Laying out streets

Alderman Bennett moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Board concurred in the order from the Council in reference to laying out streets as amended forty feet wide

March 22, 1872.

On motion of Alderman Pierce the subject was laid upon the table

Adjourned to Saturday twelve o clock at noon

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
March 23. 1872

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen was held this day for the purpose of adding the names of voters to the check list

Names added to Voting Lists

adjourned to this evening March 23.
at Seven and a half o clock

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of Mayor and Aldermen
Somerville March 23. 1872
Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Hunter, Hall, Pierce, Bennett and Davis present

Journal of last meeting read and approved

The first business after the reading of the records was the opening and examining of the transcripts of the records returned by the clerks of the several wards in regard to the Election of an Alderman from Ward one to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Alderman George H Wadley

Conv/ Returns of the Ward Officers March 23, 1872

Ward one
City of Somerville March 23. 1872.

To any Constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward One qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble at Prescott Hall in the Prescott School Building on Pearl Street on Saturday the twenty third day of March instant at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City and resident of said Ward One, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this ninth day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E Gilman City Clerk

Warrant

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex ss.
Somerville March 15 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward number one in the City of Somerville qualified to vote, as the law directs according to the within warrant, by leaving a true copy of the within warrant at the residence of every citizen in said Ward One, and by posting a true copy of said warrant near the place of the meeting, as specified in the within warrant such copies having been posted, and posted by

Return

March 23, 1872.

me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said warrant.

Signed Joshua E Eldredge Constable

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward Number One qualified to vote, as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein specified.

At one o'clock P.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by the Warden, who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward One qualified by law to vote to give in their ballots for the purpose expressed in said Warrant.

Records of meeting

At four o'clock P.M. the polls were closed and the whole number of ballots given in having been sorted and counted by the Warden and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law the result was as follows.

Whole number of votes was one hundred & eighty one
Horace Hoskins had One Hundred and Twenty two.
Bryant M Patten had Fifty Nine.
The vote of the ballots as sorted counted and recorded as above in Ward meeting was declared to the meeting by the Warden.

Votes

The meeting then dissolved

Ansel Lewis Warden
Wm H Stubbins Clerk
Byron Roberts
John T Prichard Inspectors

Return of Ward Two

Sommerville March 23. 1872.

Record of the meeting of the Citizens of Ward Two for the election of one Alderman from Ward One in accordance with the following Warrant.

March 23, 1872.

Copy of Warrant and return thereon

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting

Warrant

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Number Two qualified to vote, as the law directs to assemble at Boardman Hall in Union Square on Saturday the Twenty third day of March instant at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City and resident of said Ward One to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board

Ward Two

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O Brastow Mayor of aforesaid City of Somerville, on this ninth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By Order of the Mayor

Charles E Gilman

City Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss. City of Somerville March 15th 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward No two in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs according to the within warrant, by leaving a true copy of the within warrant at the residence of every citizen in said ward two and by posting a true copy of said Warrant near the place of the meeting as specified in the within Warrant such places having been

Return

March 23. 1872.

served and posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant — Joshua C Oldridge Constable.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of Ward Two qualified to vote assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed and at One o clock P.M. the Warrant calling the meeting and the return thereon was read by the Warden Robert A Brinal

After reading the Warrant the polls were declared open for the Election of one Alderman

At four o clock P.M the polls were declared closed — Record of meeting

All the ballots given in, having been sorted and counted by the Warden and Inspectors, the result was declared in Ward meeting and was as follows

Whole number of ballots cast was eighty four

Horace Hoskins	had	Forty five	votes
Bryant M Patten	had	Thirty eight	
W M Patten	had	One	

The ballots were then deposited in a box and sealed and the transcript of the records of said meeting specifying the vote was certified by the Warden and Clerk and transmitted to the City clerk

The meeting was then dissolved

Robert A Brinal _____ Warden _____
Samuel J Dias _____ Clerk _____

Eben C Mann _____
Seward Dodge _____ Inspectors _____
Wm Ho Grant _____

Return of Ward Three — March 23, 1872

Records of Ward 3 City of Somerville
March 23. 1872.

Meeting of the Citizens of Ward 3 for the purpose of electing an Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City, and a resident of Ward One to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of one of the members of said board

Copy of Warrant

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No Three qualified to vote as the law directs, to assemble at the Hall in the Forster School Building on Sycamore Street on Saturday the twenty third day of March instant at one o'clock P.M. and from that time until four o clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for an Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City, and a resident of said Ward One to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness, George O Brastor Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on the ninth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E Gilman
City Clerk

Warrant

Ward Three

A true copy of Warrant attest
Frest G Hanno Ward clerk

Return of Warrant

March 23, 1872.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Middlesex, ss.

City of Somerville March 15, 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward No Three in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs, according to the within named warrant, by leaving a true copy of the within, at the residence of every citizen in said ward three and by posting a true copy of said warrant near the place of the meeting as specified in the within Warrant such copies having been served and posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant

Melville C Parkhurst Constable

A True Copy of return
Attest Forest G Haines Ward Clerk

Return

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward No Three qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed

at one o'clock P.M. the warrant calling the meeting and the return thereon was read by the Clerk

Record of meeting

after reading the Warrant and return, the Warden being absent it was moved and voted that we proceed to elect a Warden Pro Tempore for said meeting. The said vote to be taken by ballot. It was also voted that the polls be closed at one o'clock and twenty five minutes.

a ballot thereupon was taken, the whole number of votes being Seven (7) of which Jacob T Glynn had one
C. H. Lawrence Cip
and the said C. H. Lawrence was elected Warden Pro Tempore of the said meeting and the oath of office

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was thereupon duly administered to him as appears by the certificate herein after written.
I, E. W. Lawrence do hereby solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties incumbent upon me as Warden Pro Tempore of the meeting So help me God
Elbridge W. Lawrence
Warden Pro Tempore
Somerville March 23. 1872
Subscribed and Sworn Before me
Aaron Sargent
Justice of the Peace
Office Copy of oath attest
Forest G. Hanna Ward Clerk
Thereupon the Warden Pro Tempore called upon the inhabitants of said Ward Three to bring in their ballots for the officers named in the Warrant viz: One alderman as president of Ward One
The ballot was taken by the use of a check list delivered by the Clerk of the City to the clerk of this Ward

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At four (4) o'clock in the afternoon the Polls were declared closed as per the order in the Warrant and the whole number of Ballots having been assorted and counted by the Warden Pro Tempore and Inspectors of elections in the manner provided by Law, the result was found to be as follows.
Whole number of ballots Forty One.
Horace Hawkins had Forty Votes
B. F. Patten had One

The state of the ballots as above stated was declared to the meeting by the Warden Pro Tempore

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After the result of the above ballots was declared all the ballots and Check List were deposited in a box and sealed, and the Transcript of the records of said Ward

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specifying the votes given for the above officers were certified by the Warden Pro Tempore and Clerk to be returned to the City Clerk

— The meeting was then dissolved —

— A True copy of record —

— Forest G. Harris Ward Clerk —

We E. H. Lawrence Warden Pro Tempore and Forest G. Harris Clerk of Ward 3 hereby certify that the foregoing are true transcripts of the records of said Ward specifying the votes given for the office of Alderman therein mentioned.

— E. H. Lawrence Warden Pro Tempore —
— Forest G. Harris Ward Clerk. —

— Return from Ward Four —
— City of Somerville —

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

— Greeting —

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No Four, qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble at the Hall, in the Morse School House on Summer Street on Saturday, the twenty third day of March instant, at one o'clock in the afternoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for one Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City, and resident of said Ward One, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon.

Warrant

Ward Room

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor & Aldermen Charles E. Gilman City Clerk

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Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex ss.

City of Somerville March 15th. 1872.

This is to certify that I have ~~[illegible]~~ warned and notified the citizens of Ward Number Four in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs according to the within warrant by leaving a true copy of the within warrant at the residence of every citizen in said Ward Four, and by posting a true copy of said warrant near the place of the meeting as specified in the within warrant, such copies having been served and posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said warrant.

Granville Leland Constable

Return

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward Four qualified to vote as the law directs, assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed.

Record of meeting

At one o'clock P.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by the Warden, who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward qualified by law to vote to give in their ballots for one Alderman to be an inhabitant of this City and resident of said Ward. One to fill the vacancy in the Board of Aldermen caused by the resignation of one of the members of said Board.

At four o'clock P.M. the polls were closed and the whole number of ballots given in having been sorted and counted by the Warden and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law, the result was as follows.

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_____ For Alderman _____

Horace Haskins _____ had ___ ninety-two votes

Votes

The State of the ballots, as stated, sorted, counted and recorded, as above in Open Board meeting, was declared to the meeting by the Warden.

The meeting then dissolved

_____ True record George R. Prates _____

_____ Clerk of Board Pro Tem _____

True copy attest

_____ Lelbin Pitson _____ Warden _____

George L. Bradford _____

Granville Leland _____ Inspector pro Tem _____

Edward McGann _____

Qualification

And whereas it appears by examining and comparing the transcripts of the records of the elections in the several Wards returned to the Mayor and Aldermen, that Horace Haskins has received a majority of the votes cast for Alderman from Ward One, he was declared elected and qualified by the Mayor and took his position in the Board

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Orchard & Chester Sts petition for location referred

The petition of Franklin W. Pom and others that Orchard Street and Chester Street be located as public streets and accepted by the City was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council March 23. 1872. Concurred in

Petition of Chas Orton referred

Petition of Charles Orton and others for abatement of assessments on reclaimed land was referred to the Committee on Sewers and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council March 23. 1872 Concurred in.

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On motion of Alderman Furber the Rules and Orders were suspended to consider the amendment to ordinance No Nineteen in reference to highways which was laid upon the table at the last meeting

Ordinance amendment No. 19

Alderman Furber moved that the reconsideration of the vote in regard to laying out Streets forty feet in width be taken from the table and acted upon the result being that the motion for reconsideration was rejected

Paper from the Common Council
In Common Council March 23. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Fire Department be authorized to dispose of the old hand Engine and such other apparatus not fit for use for the best advantage to the City
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen March 23. Concurred in

Hand Engine authority to sell

The petition of Willard C Kingsley Post No. 139. Grand Army of the Republic for an appropriation to defray the expenses on the approaching Decoration day, was referred to the Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 23. Concurred in

Memorial day appropriation referred

Alderman Bennett offered the following joint order
In Board of Aldermen March 23. 1872.
Ordered That the committee on Finance be and they are hereby authorized to borrow on Bonds of the City with interest coupons attached, and from time to time as it may become necessary, such sums as may be required to meet that portion of the Funded Debt of the City which will be due and payable during the current year
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

Borrowing money

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In Common Council March 23. Concurred in

Alderman Gines offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 23. 1872
Ordered That all bills against the City for approval be placed in the hands of the several committees, on or before the first Saturday of each month, and that meetings of said Committees be held for approving bills on Tuesday or Wednesday of the succeeding week, and all bills approved by them be placed in the hands of the Auditor for classification, and the Committee on accounts shall meet on Thursday evening of the same week for the final approval of all bills then before them, and that no bills be approved at any other time except to Contractors or other persons who by the terms of an agreement payments are due, when a Special meeting of the Committee shall be called for the approval of the same

Committee on Accounts time of meeting

Alderman Parker moved to amend by inserting the subject to the Chairman of the Committee on accounts to confer with the Chairmen of the several Committees and report at his earliest convenience, The amendment was accepted, and the order as amended was so passed and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 23. Concurred in

The petition of Hannah Lombard and others that Summit Avenue be laid out as a Town way 45 feet wide under the Betterment Act was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council March 23. Concurred in

Petition for laying out Summit Ave referred

Taken from Common Council
In Common Council March 23. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Highways be requested to report a list of streets in the City where there are more than

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one bearing the same name, That the City Council may take such action in regard to the same as may be deemed necessary.
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 23. Concurred in

Duplicate names of streets

Paper from Common Council
In Common Council March 23. 1872.
Ordered ——
That the Joint-Standing Committee of the City Council, be requested to report to the Joint-Standing Committee on Finance, the estimates of expenditures required in their general departments for the present year
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 23. Concurred in.

Committees to report estimates for appropriations

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 23. 1872.
Ordered ——
That the Committee on Sewers consider the expediency of Building a Brick Sewer, the present year, on Milk Street, from its intersection with Prospect Street, to Poplar Street, and report thereon
Order adopted, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30 concurred in

Sewer in Milk from Prospect to Poplar

On motion of Alderman Shurtleff the Rules and Orders were suspended, that the order authorizing the borrowing of money might take its second reading

Borrowing money second reading

On motion of Alderman Shurtleff
The order took its second reading

Report of Committee on Health — March 25, 1872.

On the petition of John McPhillips and others the Committee on Health visited the rendering establishment of Charles O'Neil situated near the Pittsburg Rail Road; at the time the Committee examined the premises, their rendering process was not in operation, There was a large amount of Grease and Tallow on hand, ready to be rendered, it appeared they were doing a large business in that line. Your Committee called upon some of the petitioners they were of opinion that they had submitted to the nuisance long enough and wished a hearing on the subject which was granted and held at the Police Court Room on Thursday evening and there was a large number present

Some of the witnesses thought that the rendering of filthy Grease, Tallow &c in their midst was a great nuisance detrimental to health, that some of their families had been made sick from the stench that came from that place, that it depreciated the value of Property in that vicinity, and prevented a better class of people settling in that neighborhood

Others thought the place a nuisance, at times a smoke came from it very offensive, and compelled them to close their doors and windows in summer, but could not say that they thought it caused sickness

Others brought forward by Mr O'Neil stated that they had lived in the immediate vicinity for many years, had never smelt any thing offensive as coming from that establishment, and thought it rather improved the value of property in that neighborhood.

Your committee are of opinion that the rendering of Grease and other filthy matter should not be suffered in the midst of a dense population that at times the place emits odors very offensive and think the citizens in that neighborhood have good cause to complain

O. Neil's nuisance Report and hearing noticed

Hearing

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Mr O'Neil stated that he was willing to put up a new building, and introduce the modern improvements that will prevent the smell from escaping but before he went to this expense, he would like to know if the City authorities would grant him a license

John P Hall Chairman

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence

Alderman Quinn offered the following motion
"No joint standing or special committee of the City Council, shall be authorized to contract or expend from the appropriations provided by the City Council an amount exceeding one hundred dollars (unless otherwise provided in the ordinances of the City) or unless authority for such expenditure be first had and obtained from the City Council. The motion was rejected.

Report of Committee on Finance
In Board of Aldermen March 23. 1872.
The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the subject of considering the subject of compensation for services of the several Ward Officers, beg leave to report That your Committee decided to recommend the payment of five dollars for the services of the clerk of each Ward for each meeting during the current year, and that the honors of the positions of Wardens and Inspectors are adequate compensation for the discharge of the duties pertaining to those positions.

Charles Bennett chairman

Salaries of Ward officers

Report Accepted

Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council March 23. 1872
accepted in concurrence

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The ordinances were returned from the Council for concurrence in the following amendments to Ordinance No 20 relating to Sewers and Drains amended by striking out the words "City Council" wherever it appears except in Section sixth and restore the words "Mayor and Aldermen.

Also in Ordinance No 19. Section 22. Page 45 relating to the Department

By inserting after the word "and" in the fourth line, "No person shall be an officer of the Department who is not"

In Board of Aldermen March 23. 1872.

Amendments Concurred in

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Ordinances amendments to

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen March 30. 1872. Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Furber, Hall, Gives, Hoskins, Chase Bennett and Davis present.

Journal of last meeting read and approved

Alderman Furber moved that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of the two branches forthwith for the purpose of qualifying Mr Horace Hoskins Alderman elect from Ward One.

The motion was adopted, and Alderman Furber was charged with the message.

Qualification of Horace Hoskins

City Council in Convention March 30, 1872

Mr Horace Hoskins was qualified as Alderman from Ward One by the Mayor

The object for which the convention was called having been accomplished the convention was dissolved

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The petition of George O Brastow for Sewer in Summer and Central Streets was referred to Committee on Sewers and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30. Concurred in

Sewer in Summer & Central referred

The petition of Joseph Clark and others for construction of Sewer in Washington Street between Medford and Prospect Streets was referred to Committee on Sewers and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council March 30. Concurred in

Sewer in Washington between Medford & Prospect referred

The Communication of John B Johnson in regard to damage to his estate on School Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council March 30 Concurred in

J B Johnson's claim referred

The petition of M Fletcher and others in relation to the condition of Streets, Sidewalks, crossings &c was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30 Concurred in

Petition of M. Fletcher & others referred

Ship Peleg Howes, Aaron Sargent & S M Watson and P S M Fuller were drawn as jurors to estimate damages to the estate of Mr Sanborn on Bordy Street caused by taking of land to widen paid street by the City of Cambridge

Jurors on Sanborns claim

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The Communication of the City Treasurer in reference to a claim against the estate of Benjamin Randall was received and placed on file and the petitioner accompanying the same was referred to Committee on claims and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30 concurred in

Claims against estate of Benj. Randall referred

Report of Committee on Fire Department
The Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department respectfully offer the following report on petitions referred to them viz
Petition from John C Wood Hose Company for Hose Hose Carriage, be laid on the table
Petition for Hose Carriage Carriage and Building for same in Franklin School District be laid on the table
Petitioners for Hose Carriage at Willow Bridge have leave to withdraw
Petition of Daniel McDermott and others for Hose Carriage and House for same on Spring Hill have leave to withdraw
Report accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30 concurred in

Report of Committee on Fire Dept.

Alderman Shurtleff offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 30. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Burial Grounds be instructed to consider the subject of procuring additional grounds for burial purposes and report as early as practicable
Order Adopted and sent down for concurrence
Returned from the Council amended by striking out the word "additional" in the third line
In Board of Aldermen April 6 Amendment concurred in

Burial Grounds

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Alderman Glines Offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 30. 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Health be instructed to confer with Mr Myman upon the subject of cleaning vaults and make such arrangements as in their judgment they may deem expedient — Night soil

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30. Concurred in

Alderman Hall offered the following order — Payment Marshall st Hose House

Ordered That the sum of $995.07. be paid to O. L. Lord for building the Marshall Street Hose House agreable to the contract with said Lord it being the seventh payment as recommended by the superintendent
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

Report of Committee on Sewers

In Board of Aldermen March 30. 1872. — Sewers

Report of Sewer Committee on the petition of Charles Orlan and others for the abatement of sewer assessments. — Report of Committee

Your Committee respectfully report that they have carefully considered the question in reference to the abatements of the sewer assessment complained of and are unanimous in the opinion that the abatement should not be made. Herewith is presented the opinion of the City Solicitor which we desire to make a part of this report

Your Committee recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw and that the Treasurer be instructed to collect the sewer assessments as made. — Legal Opinion

Legal Opinion of City Solicitor

In reply to your inquiry I have to say, that in my opinion, a sewerage assessment may be imposed upon

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a lot of land, which does not abut upon the sewer, but which is indirectly or remotely benefited by the drainage of the land by or in consequence of such sewer, as for example in the case stated by you, where by the building of the sewer, a water course is removed from the land sought to be assessed. In such case the assessment must be strictly restricted to the benefit received from the removal of the water course "for draining the land" and existing at the time of the assessment, and would depend also upon the question, whether the ~~owner~~ owner of the lot to be assessed was at the time of the assessment, the owner of the land covered by the water course, so that it removal benefited his land. Selwin & Bowman City Solicitor

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council March 30. Concurred in

Alderman Fraher offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen March 30, 1872.
Ordered _____
That the Committee on Accounts be met on the First Fridays of each month for the certifying of accounts and that the several Committees having the disbursements of the Monies of the City, shall at any time previous, present to the Auditor, the bills contracted by them with their approval of the same

Time of meeting of the Committee on Accounts

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council March 30 Concurred in

Adjourned _____
Charles E Gilman
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

Somerville April 6. 1872

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Turner, Hall, Glines, Haskins Chase, Bennett, and Davis present

Journal of last meeting read and approved

The petition of Thomas F Maguire and others for the removal of the present Rail Road Bridge on Washington Street and a new one built also to place brick sidewalks and edgestones from Union Square on said Street to the Bridge was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6. Concurred in

Removal of R. R. bridge referred

Petition of Oliver Tufts and others that Thurston Street running from Broadway to Medford Street be accepted and laid out as a public highway was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6. Concurred in

Thurston st laying out referred

The petition of Charles Dimick and others for the laying out of Line Street under the provisions of the Betterment Law was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6 Concurred in

Line st laying out referred

The petition of Wm. H. Sherman and others for a Horse Hose Carriage and the apparatus belonging thereto to be located near Elm Street Station was referred to Committee on Fire Department and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 6. Concurred in

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The petition of J. R. Bennett and others that Marshall Street be graded and side walks repaired was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6 Concurred in

Marshall st grading &c referred

The petition of T. C. Gallagher and others for the acceptance of Poplar Street was referred to Committee on Highways, and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6 Concurred in

Poplar st acceptance of referred

The reports of Police and Field Drivers was received and placed on file.

Upon nomination by the Mayor Aaron Clark was confirmed as Surveyor of Lumber and Mason Work

Surveyor of Lumber and Mason work

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Michael Hanly claiming remuneration for damage to estate occasioned by the raising of the grade of Mill Street, would respectfully report recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw
Report accepted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6. Concurred in

M. Hanley's claim Report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Highways Committee to whom was referred the petition or claim of John B. Johnson for damage to land on School Street - Beg leave to report That they carefully examined the premises, and are of the unanimous opinion that his land has not been damaged or made of less value by grade of said street and that said John B Johnson have leave to withdraw his claim. Report accepted sent down for Concurrence April 6 Concurred in

J. B. Johnson's claim Report

Report of Committee on Highways

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Summit Av

The Highway Committee to whom was referred the Petition of P. J. Taylor and others to lay out as a Town way forty five feet wide Summit Avenue from Walnut Street to Bristol Avenue Beg leave to report that they have viewed the premises, and after full consideration present to unanimous opinion that with the large number of unfinished streets, and the increased taxation that must necessarily arise, to put in such condition as the public good requires, our present accepted and unfinished streets, and with the uncertainty of the legal just and equitable working of the "Betterment Law" it is not advisable to lay out said Summit Avenue as a Public Highway under said law and therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Report

Report accepted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council April 6. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

Somerville April 2. 1872.

G. S. Rollins petition

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the communication of G. S. Rollins, giving notice of his intention to build and asking certain queries would respectfully report that they have no knowledge of any intended change in the width of Mill street or of any proposition to change its grade

Report

Report accepted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council April 6 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Sewers

Sewer in Washington St. Jos. Clark et al

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Clark and others for a sewer in Washington Street respectfully recommend that a sewer be laid as prayed for and that the Sewer Committee be authorized and instructed to have plans and specifications drawn and obtain estimates for the construction of the same and

Report

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lay them before this board for their approval
Report was accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 6 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Sewers — Sewer — R. J. Oliver Report

Your Committee to whom was referred the communication of R J Oliver in reference to the drain being stopped up in Franklin Street, your Committee were unable to find any obstruction of the same and report leave to withdraw.
Report accepted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Licenses — Petition of P. Gordon Report

Your Committee on Licenses respectfully report on the petition of Peter Gordon for leave to remove a building, that leave has been granted as petitioned for. Also to Edward Cahill on his petition leave has been given under restrictions holding them liable for all damages to person or property in consequence of moving them through the streets of the City
Report was accepted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 6 Concurred in

Order from Common Council — City Lands authority to lease

In Common Council April 6. 1872
Ordered
That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Property be authorised to lease the City land on Holland Street and Broadway known as the City Ledge Land
Order Adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6 Concurred in

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Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Ordered
That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Property be instructed to have sign boards with the names of streets thereon, placed on the corners of all accepted streets where they do not already exist
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6. Concurred in

Sign Boards order to place

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Ordered That the Joint Standing Committee on Highways authorize the Superintendent of Streets to have Curb Stones set and gutters paved in front of all public buildings, not less than 18 in deep and 6 inches wide and that the sidewalks on all public highways around said buildings be paved with brick
Order adopted sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6 Non Concurred in and returned to the Council from whom it was received with the following indorsement
In Common Council April 6. adhered to former action

Sidewalks around Public buildings

Alderman Pierce offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Ordered That the Sewer Committee be instructed and they are hereby authorized to employ a suitable person to superintend the construction of sewers, at a cost not exceeding one hundred dollars a month.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 6 concurred in

Supt. of Sewers authority to employ

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Report of Joint Standing Committee on Finance To whom was referred the Communication of Willard C Kinsley Post No 139 Grand Army of Republic asking for an appropriation for its expenses on the approaching Decoration Day recommend the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars.
In Common Council accepted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6. Concurred in

Memorial day appropriation for

John Murphy was confirmed as member of Hose Company No One and F. D. Chase as member of Hook and Ladder Company number one

Members of the Fire Dept confirmed

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Ordered That the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for the use of Willard C Kinsley Post No 139 G.A.R. To defray expenses on Decoration Day and that the Mayor be authorized to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for this amount and to pay the same over to the Commander of the Post
Passed to its Second reading and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Read twice and concurred in, Finally passed

Memorial day authority for appropriation

Report of Committee on Finance
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
The Joint Standing Committee on Finance having considered the matter of salary of the Sealer of Weights and Measures recommend that he be paid one hundred dollars for the present year.
Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6 Concurred in

Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures

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Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Ordered
That the salary of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the current year be one hundred dollars
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Passed To its second reading & sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Read twice and concurred in

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Ordered That the Board of Aldermen be requested To appoint a Committee of Conference To confer in relation To the order authorizing the laying of sidewalks around public buildings
Messrs Brane, Pope & Bolton having been appointed on the part of this Branch
In Common Council adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Concurred in
Aldermen Bennitt, Glines, and Thurber appointed on the part of this Branch

Sidewalks around public buildings
Committee of Conference

The Ordinances as amended by the Common Council were received from that body Concurred in

Ordinances amendments second readi

On motion of Alderman Thurber The Rules and orders were suspended, and the amendments took their second reading and were sent to the Council from whom they were received with the following indorsement—
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Passed To be enrolled and sent up for Concurrence
The Committee on Enrollment and Ordinances have

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Examined and found the ordinances truly and correctly enrolled, E. W. Curtis, J. T. Bottom and C. E. Hymes Committee on Enrolled Ordinances

Passed To be Ordained

Owen P. Knapp

President of the Common Council

In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
The Committee on enrolled Ordinances have examined and found the Ordinances truly and correctly enrolled

Wm. C. Furber, Per order Committee on enrolled ordinances

Alderman Furber moved that the ordinances be passed To be ordained

Ordinances passed to be ordained

In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.

Passed To be Ordained

George O. Brastow

Mayor.

Alderman Furber offered the following Order
In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Ordered
That the City Ordinances as passed to be Ordained be published once in the Somerville Journal, and That the Committee on Printing be and are hereby instructed To have 150 Copies printed and bound with Cloth Covers, and 350 Copies with Paper Covers The City Charter, and Rules and orders, and a list of City Officers printed with each Copy

Ordinances order to publish

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 6. Concurred in

Alderman Furber offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Enrolled Ordinances

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be instructed to prepare such amendments of the Rules and Orders as will make them conform to the Ordinances
The Order was adopted

Rules & Orders to conform to Ordinances

Alderman Poor offered the following order
The Board of Aldermen April 6. 1872.
Ordered
That all Petitions and orders referred to Committee on Highways be considered as referred to them under the Ordinances now adopted, and that the Committee be instructed and authorized to proceed in regard to such petitions and orders in accordance with the Ordinances
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council Speir is concurred in—

Petitions referred to Com. on Highways under Ordinances

On motion of Alderman Parker
Adjourned to Wednesday evening next 7½ o'clock

Adjourned
Charles E. Gilman
Clerk

April 10, 1872

Meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen

March 10. 1872.

Aldermen Poor, Fisher, Hall, Pierce, Bennett and Davis present

The Mayor being absent Aldermen Poor was elected Chairman Pro Tem.

After a partial reading of the records it was voted upon motion of Alderman Fisher that their further reading be dispensed with

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council April 6. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Enrolled Ordinances and Resolutions be instructed to amend the Rules and Orders of the City Council wherever necessary in such manner as will make them conform to the Ordinances
Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 10 Concurred in

Rules and Orders to amend

Notice was received from Mr. O. Ram for Mr. Bullman of his intention to build a dwelling house on Craig Street read and placed on file

Mr. Mr. Bullman's intention to build on Craig street

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of P. D. Read for alterations in grade in Summer Street, would respectfully report, that to remedy the difficulty complained of, the curbstone on Spring Street should be continued to, and level fence on Summer Street and that the sidewalk and gutter in front of the petitioners house on said Summer street, should be repaired
Report accepted and recommendations adopted and sent down for concurrence In Common Council April 10 Concurred in

Summer St alterations in grade Report

April 10, 1872

Report of Committee on Enrollment

The Committee on Enrollment who were instructed to prepare amendments to the Rules and Orders to make them conform to the City Ordinances would respectfully submit the following viz.-

Rules and Orders

amendments to

Amend Joint Rules and Orders as follows.

Article 1st Section 6th, Strike out the words "lighting the streets" and substitute the words "street-lights"

Article 1. Section 9th Strike out the whole section and re-number the following sections of said article to conform to the change made by striking out section nine

Strike out the Section that provides for a Committee on licenses

The report was accepted and adopted

On motion of Alderman Fisher.
The Rules and Orders were suspended in order to pass the amendments to the Joint Rules and Orders as reported by the Committee on Enrollment.
The amendments having been passed the report was sent down to the Council for concurrence
The report was returned from the Council with the following indorsement
In Common Council April 10. 1872.
Concurred in amendment to section 6 which was not concurred in the other amendments.
In Board of Aldermen
Voted to adhere to their former action and returned the report to the Council

April 10, 1872.

Paper from the Common Council
In Common Council April 10. 1872.
Voted To ask a Committee of Conference in relation to the proposed amendments to the Joint Rules and Orders. and Messrs Boston Wyatt and Rafferty appointed on the part of this Branch.
Sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.
Concurred in and Aldermen Fuller, Bennett and Quincy appointed on the part of this Branch.

Report of Committee of conference April 10. 1872.
The committee of conference to whom was referred the subject of amending the Joint Rules and Orders by striking out all of Section 9 Article 1st and also by striking out the Section relating to a committee on licenses beg leave to report that the committee unanimously voted to report in favor of striking out both of the Sections referred to to make them consistent with the City ordinances which are made to conform with the Statutes.
In Common Council April 10. 1872.
Concurred in all the amendments

Report of Committee on Enrollment
The Committee on Enrollment who were instructed to prepare amendments to the Rules and Orders to make them conform to the City Ordinances, would respectfully submit the following

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Amend Rules and Orders of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen as follows. Viz.

Article 3. Section 1st 9. 14th line Strike out the section lines

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Article 4th Section 2 Strike out the word "Enrollment" and substitute "Enrolled Ordinances and Resolutions".

Article 4th Section 3 After the word "Elections" add the words "and Returns".

Article 4th Section 9 of Article 1st of Joint Rules and orders is stricken out — insert the following as Section 4th — A Committee on Drains and Sewers to consist of three Aldermen

Article 4th If stricken out in Joint Rules and Orders Insert "A Committee on Licences to consist of two Aldermen"

Article 4th Strike out the figures in last printed Section and Substitute a figure to conform to the changes adopted.

On motion of Alderman Thurber
The Rules and Orders of the Board were suspended that the amendments might be acted upon.

The Report was accepted and each Amendment considered separately and adopted

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
April 15. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Turner, Holt, Glover, Hopkins, Chase, Bennett and Davis present

Journal of last meeting read and approved

Union Railway Co petition for Stable & turnout referred

The petition of the Union Railway Company for leave to erect and maintain a Stable for more than four horses on the Southerly side of Milk Street also for permission to build a turnout from their tracks on Milk Street to said proposed Stable was referred to Committee on Licenses with full powers

Petition of E. McPaul to obstruct street referred

The petition of E McPaul for the use of part of the sidewalks and streets on the corner of Franklin and Pearl Streets while erecting a dwelling house was referred to Committee on Licenses

Sewer in Bonair St referred

Petition of Thomas H Hamilton and others for sewer in Bonair Street was referred to Committee on Sewers

Petition of D. M. McDermott referred

The petition of Daniel M McDermott for leave to move a building from Milk Street to Gardner Court was referred to Committee on Licenses with full powers

Putnam St extension of referred

The petition of L Frank Ronald and others for the extension of Putnam Street to Milk Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sewers for concurrence

In Common Council April 13. Concurred in

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The resignation of A. P. Ricio Sealer of Weights and measures was accepted

Sealer of Weights & Measures resignation

The petition of John Moe Canty and others that Maple Street be graded and accepted under the Betterment Law was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council April 13. Concurred in

Chapple St. referred

The petition of L. S. Tower and others for the grading of Park Street was received from the Council referred to the Committee on Highways, sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 13. 1872. Concurred in.

Park St referred

The petition of Union Hall Company was referred to Committee on Licenses

Petition Union Hall Co referred

Alderman Turner offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 13. 1872.
Ordered
That both branches of the City Government together with the board of School Committee meet in convention Tuesday evening April 20th at eight o'clock for the purpose of filling the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Joshua H. Davis on the board of School Committee.
Order adopted. Sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 13. Concurred in

School Com. convention ordered to fill vacancy

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 13. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Street Lights be authorized and instructed to have a lamp post placed on the northwest corner of Summer and Craig Streets the abutters paying the expense of the Post
Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence

Street lights

Summer & Craig

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In Common Board of Aldermen April 13. 1872.
Concurred in

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 13. 1872.
Ordered. That the Committee on Street-Lights be instructed to cause the names of the Streets to be placed in the Lanterns of the posts where they are placed at the corners of Streets.
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 13. Concurred in

Names of streets to be inserted in Street-lights

Alderman Pines offered the following Order
Ordered. That the Committee on Sewers be and hereby are instructed to obtain estimates for the building of the Washington Street Sewer and report
The Order was adopted

Sewer in Washington St estimates authorized

Alderman Paul offered the following Order
Ordered
That the City of Charlestown be ordered to put in as good condition as they found them (at the time of laying the main Water Supply Pipe) the Streets called Medford, Pearl Mount Vernon and Perkins Street or pay such sums to the City of Somerville as is shown to cost for such streets to be put in as good repair as said streets were at the above stated time
Order adopted and referred to committee on highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 13. 1872. Concurred in

City of Charlestown to repair Pearl Medford Mt Vernon & Perkins St

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Ald. Bennett appointed on Com on Sewers.

Alderman Bennett was appointed a member of the Committee on Sewers.

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Alderman Bennett offered the following Joint Resolutions
In Board of Aldermen April 15, 1872.

Sixth St. widening of

Whereas the width of Sixth Street from Union Square to the Cambridge line near the Bay State Glass Works is insufficient to meet the public wants

And Whereas the widening of this Street will be much less expensive now than when the streets generally built upon.

Therefore Resolved that there be a special Committee of five appointed by the City Council consisting of three members from the Board of Aldermen and three from the Common Council, to confer with or petition the County Commissioners for the purpose of ascertaining how much if any of the expense of such widening will be paid by the County

Also to estimate the probable aggregate amount of land damages that will be occasioned by carrying out this measure and report thereon to the City Council

Resolve adopted and Aldermen Bennett, and Chase appointed as Committee on the part of this Board, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council April 15. 1872.

Concurred in and Councilmen Hyatt Lord and Bolton appointed on the part of the Council

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Check List revised

The Check List as revised was adopted

Report of Board of Health

An order having been passed authorizing the Committee on health with full powers to contract for the removal of night soils, having first ascertained what the cities around us were paying, your Committee have entered into a contract with James Hyman of Arlington continuing for three years at the same price that Cambridge

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in now praying The contract is presented with this report — John G. Hall Chairman
Report accepted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 13. Concurred in

Copy of Contract

Night soil contract for removal of

This agreement of two parts made and entered into this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two by and between the City of Somerville of the first part and James Wyman of Arlington of the second part witnesseth that the City of Somerville for and in consideration of the covenants and agreements of the said Wyman hereinafter recited hereby grants to the said Wyman and his legal representatives the exclusive privilege and of no other person of removing the contents of all the vaults or privies in the City of Somerville for the term of three years from the date hereof it being understood and agreed that the contents of said vaults or privies are to be removed in the manner and under the restrictions and limitations herein after set forth as well as those contained in an Ordinance of the City of Somerville in relation to Health being one of the revised Ordinances adopted by the City of Somerville April 6. 1872.

And the City of Somerville further agrees with said Wyman that as a compensation for the services by him to be performed as herein provided he shall be entitled to charge and receive from the several owners or lessees of houses or other buildings to which vaults or privies shall be appurtenant or from any person or persons legally bound to pay the same the sum of four dollars per load from April to November and two dollars and fifty cents from November to April for each and every load of night soil of seventy cubic feet

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so removed which said sum shall be in full compensation to said Hyman for his services as aforesaid it being expressly and distinctly understood and agreed that any fractional part of a load in which a vault or privy shall contain any fractional part of a load shall be considered and paid for as a whole load of Seventy cubic feet and that said Hyman shall not have any claim against the City of Somerville for services above set forth and in consideration of the exclusive privilege herein granted by said party of the first part to said party of the second part and of the compensation allowed to be charged and received by him, the said party of the second part for himself and his legal representatives hereby covenants and agrees to and with the City of Somerville that he will and his legal representatives shall during the term of three years herein before mentioned remove the contents of all the vaults and privies in the City of Somerville wherever and as often as application or request therefor shall be made such contents to be removed with all reasonable despatch and in the order in which such applications are made as far as practicable upon the terms aforesaid and subject to the following restrictions and regulations and the City of Somerville shall cause to be kept one or more books in suitable places to receive orders for the removal of night soil said books to be under the charge of the Mayor and Aldermen of said City of Somerville

First. The contents of all vaults or privies shall in all cases be removed in such a manner and time as the Mayor and Aldermen may direct.

Second. The requisitions of the Ordinances of the City of Somerville therein before referred to shall in all respects be observed and kept except so far as the same may be varied by any thing herein contained or by any subsequent

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Ordinances of the City of Somerville or order or vote of the Mayor and Aldermen of said City in which case such subsequent Ordinance vote or order shall be considered to be of the force in this agreement as if the same were now enacted

Provided however that no such subsequent ordinance vote or order shall change or alter the compensation therein allowed to be received by the said party of the second part.

And The said party of the second part shall not sell or dispose of any of his rights or interest under this contract to any other person or persons without the written consent of the Mayor and Aldermen, and it is further understood and agreed by the parties hereto that a failure or neglect of the party of the second part to observe keep and fulfill any of the covenants and agreements herein set forth to be kept, observed and performed by him shall constitute a forfeiture of his rights under this agreement and the Mayor and Aldermen may therefore cancel and annul the same. In witness whereof the said City of Somerville has caused its corporate name to be subscribed and its common seal to be affixed thereto by George O. Braston Mayor of said City thereunto duly authorized and the said James Wyman has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written

City of Somerville By

George O. Braston Mayor seal.

James Wyman seal.

Executed and delivered in presence of John G. Hall

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Alderman Tucker offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen April 13. 1872.

Ordered

That the warrants for meetings of the citizens for the purpose of voting in regard to the sale of Ale, Porter Strong-Beer or Lager Beer shall be in the form as hereto annexed and shall be served and returned in accordance with the City ordinances by posting Copies thereof in four public places in each ward and by publication in the Somerville Journal.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council April 13. concurred in

Beer question

notifying

Copy of Warrants

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

you are hereby required to warn the Citizens of Ward Three One

One qualified as the law directs to assemble at Prescott Hall in the Prescott School Building on Pearl Street on Tuesday the seventh day of May next at one o' clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o' clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their Ballots, Yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale, Ale, Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer, in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.

Warrant

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon.

Witness (George) Kraston Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Charles E Gilman

City Clerk

Ward Two April 13, 1872.

City of Somerville

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Two qualified as the law directs to assemble at Hanchers Hall Union Square on Tuesday the seventh day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots Yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale, Ale Porter, Strong beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.

Warrant Ward Two

Here of fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this the thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E Gilman

City Clerk

Ward Three

Copy of Warrant

City of Somerville

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Three qualified as the law directs to assemble ~~at the Ward~~ at the Foster Hall in the Foster school Building on Sycamore Street on Tuesday the Seventh day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots Yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture

Warrant Ward Three

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sell, or keep for sale, Ale, Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon
Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this the thirteenth day of April in the year of Our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and Seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E Gilman
City Clerk

Ward Four
Copy of Warrant
City of Somerville

Warrant

To any Constable of the City of Somerville Greeting
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Four qualified as the law directs, to assemble at the Hall in the Morse School House on Summer Street on Tuesday the seventh day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots Yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale, Ale, Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.

Ward Four

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon
Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this the thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and Seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E Gilman City Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

April 20. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Fletcher, Hall, Pierce, Hoskins Chase, Bennett and Davis present

Record of last meeting read and approved

The petition of Charles L O'Neil for leave to erect a Steam Boiler in his place of business on Linden Street was referred to the Committee on Health

Petition Chas O'Neill for steam boiler referred.

The petition of James A. Clark and others that flat edge stones be put and sidewalks built on Hunt Street from Franklin to Glen Street was referred to the Committee on Highways.

Petition Jas. A. Clark referred

The petition of Henry D. Brown and others that the City Council consider the expediency of accepting and grading Austin, Orchard and Davis Streets, also the continuation of Bay Street to Elm Street was referred to the Committee on Highways

Petition H. D. Brown et al referred

City Council in Convention

The City Council and School Committee in convention for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the School Committee caused by the resignation of Jabez H. Davis Aldermen Hoskins, Councilmen Pope and W. M. Mavers of the School Board were appointed a committee to collect votes and count the ballots

Convention to fill vacancy in School Committee

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots 26 Necessary for a choice 14

Geo P. Hemenway had 11 Sanford Hancock 15

Sanford Hancock was declared elected

The Convention then dissolved

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The communication of J. Kennealy in reference to Mystic Avenue was referred to the Committee on Highways

Petition J. Kennealy referred

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your Committee on the petition of Thomas R. Rowlstone and others for a sewer in Bowdoin Street respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted and that the Sewer Committee be instructed to have a survey and plans made and specifications drawn and procure estimates for the construction of the same and report to this board for their approval.

The report was accepted and the Committee authorized to carry out the recommendations of the report

Report Committee on Sewers

The Committee on Licenses reported that permission had been granted to B. M. Paul to obstruct a portion of the sidewalk on the corner of Franklin and Pearl Streets while building; also leave had been granted to Daniel McDermott to remove a building from Milk Street to Garden Court; also to Michael Dechan to obstruct a portion of Prospect Street; also Union Hall Company while building

Report Committee on Licenses B. M. Paul Daniel McDermott Michael Dechan Union Hall Co.

Order from Common Council

In Common Council April 20. 1872.

Ordered

That the Committee on Highways cause edge stones to be laid, gutters paved and brick sidewalks laid as soon as can be on all accepted streets around the following school buildings, viz. Mason, Foster, Bradford and Prescott;

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen April 20 non concurred in and returned to the Common Council

In Common Council April 20 Voted to adhere and Councilmen Harrison, Symes and Haggerty were appointed a Committee of conference and sent up for concurrence

Edge stones around school Committee of conference appointed

April 20, 1872.

In Board of Aldermen April 20. 1872.
Committee of Conference concurred in and
Aldermen Pope, Hoskins and Glines were appointed
on the part of this Branch

Report of Committee on Licenses

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition
of the Union Rail Road Company for leave to erect
and keep a stable for more than four horses.
Respectfully report, that in the locality where they
propose to build, is liable to as little objection as any
lot of land in that vicinity, as they propose to set their
building on the rear, and not less than twenty five feet
from the line of the School House lot, we consider no serious
objections to the location, Your Committee recommend
that a license be granted as asked for, and that permis-
sion be given them to erect a turnout at that point, to be
done under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets
and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Highways
The report was accepted

Union R. R. Co
permission to
construct stable
& turn out

On motion of Alderman Bennett
The matter of Walker and Company for a license was
referred to Committee on Licenses with full powers

Walker Co
referred

The of Charles L. O. Neil for leave to erect a Soap Factory
on Poplar Street was referred to Committee on Health

Chas O. Neill
Soap factory
referred

Alderman Hall offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 20. 1872.
Ordered. That the Committee on Sewers cause a survey
to be made of the stagnant water situated between Medford
and Maple Streets and ascertain how it can be drained
Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council April 20. Concurred in

Order
stagnant water
Medford & Maple

April 20, 1872.

Alderman Hashing offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 20. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Public Property be and hereby are instructed to confer with the School Committee and consider the feasibility of finishing a portion of the basement of the Prescott School House into a suitable room for Ward purposes, and report
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 20 Concurred in

Prescott School for Ward purposes

Paper from the Common Council
In Common Council April 20. 1872.
The Committee of Conference appointed to report some plan for adjusting the difference of opinion between the two branches of the City Council in relation to laying sidewalks and edge stones in front of public buildings, beg leave to report that they are unable to agree.
Report accepted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 20. Concurred in

Report of Committee of Conference

Paper from the Common Council
In Common Council April 20. 1872.
Ordered
That the Pawtucket Mystic Water Board be authorized to contract for the pipes requisite for the extension of the Water distribution the present year in anticipation of the appropriation for the same
In Common Council April 20. 1872.
Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders passed both readings and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 20. Order concurred in
Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders passed both readings

Order extension of Water Pipes

April 20, 1872.

The petition of William Jaques and others in reference to repairing Temple Street was received from the Common Council referred to the Committee on Highways and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 20. concurred in

Temple street referred

Report of Committee on Sewers
Your Committee respectfully report that they have received proposals from six different parties for the construction of a sewer in Washington Street and having examined the same your Committee recommend that the award be made to Isaac C Bushing he being the lowest responsible bidder
Report was accepted

Washington St. Sewer awarded to I.C. Bushing

Report of Committee on Finance from the Common
The Committee on Finance to whom has been referred the matter of considering the required appropriations for the various expenditures of the City for the current year have attended to the duty imposed upon them and beg leave to report.
There has been a will be raised on what to formed available assets of the City at the commencement of the year about twenty eight thousand dollars ($28,000) as an offset to this amount have claims on contract for the erection of the High School House, the Marshall Street Hose House, Funds specially dedicated to the Public Library and other minor claims amounting in all to about Eighteen Thousand dollars and leaving a balance in the Treasury at the time of the inauguration of the City Government of Ten Thousand dollars ($10,000) Seven Thousand dollars was raised by taxation last year to be applied towards locating the Horse Rail Road in the centre of Broadway which improvement if carried out would leave a balance of only three Thousand dollars and which balance should be carried to the debit of the City under its new form of Government The following

Report of Committee on Finance

Appropriations

April 20, 1872.

specified permanently for the general purposes indicated, after full consideration of your Committee and after receiving applications and estimates for appropriations from the several departments for current expenses of the present year, are hereby recommended to be raised by taxation.

For Schools including repairs of buildings and salaries $47,900.	
Contingent	15,100.
Total appropriation for Schools	$63,000.
For Highways including repairs of Public roads	50,000.
For Sewers eighteen thousand dollars	18,000.
For Fire Department including repairs of buildings	19000.
For Police including one thousand dollars for repairs of buildings, Lock Up &c	10,500
For Miscellaneous Twenty Thousand dollars	20,000.
For Street-lights eight Thousand dollars	8,000.
Interest on Funded and floating debt	90,000.
Interest on Water distribution (exclusive of income)	10,000.
Poor account, including salaries of Overseers of Poor	7,500.
Soldiers Relief one Thousand	1000
Salaries Ten Thousand dollars	10,000.
Health Department Two Thousand	2,000.

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Grading Public Grounds ——— $2.000

Altering, repairs and furnishing City Hall Building ——— $10.000

Total Amount of Appropriation $266.000

There will also be required for State Tax about 16.000
and for County Tax ——— 8.000

The Committee also recommend that the sum of thirty thousand dollars be borrowed for a term of not less than ten years for the purpose of meeting the anticipated costs of Highways improvements begun last year and not yet completed; and that the sum of seventy thousand dollars be borrowed in the same manner as the above for the purpose of building sidewalks to be provided for by equal annual appropriations to be raised by taxation and placed to the credit of Highways and Sidewalk Sinking Funds.
Signed Geo. O. Brooks, Wm. G. Fuller, O. S. Knapp
Henry F. Hoyt, E. D. Conant, John W. Butler
In Board of Aldermen April 20. 1872.
Acceptance concurred in

Adjourned

Charles E. Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of Mayor and Aldermen

April 27 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Fisher, Hall, Gains, Hoskins, Chase, Bennett and Davis present

Record of last meeting read and approved

The petition of P Clark for permission to encumber a portion of Medford Street while building was referred to Committee on Licenses — Petition P. Clark referred

The petition of T. P. Shed and James F Porter for a sewer in Benedict Street was referred to the committee on Sewers. — Petition Shed & Porter referred

The petition of James F Porter for leave to encumber a portion of Benedict Street while building was referred to Committee on Licenses — Petition of J. F. Porter referred

The petition of Charles M Davis and others "that Franklin Street pits be filled" was laid upon the table — Petition of C. M. Davis was laid on table

Upon the petition of T. B. Sedgwick for leave to place a Barbers pole on the sidewalk in Mill Street it was voted that the clerk be instructed to inform the petitioner that he needs no license to place a pole upon private premises, but that no obstruction will be allowed upon the sidewalk — Notice to T. B. Sedgwick

The petition of John O'Brien and others for the laying out of Brick Yard lane was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence. In Common Council April 27 Concurred in — Brick Yard lane referred

Report of Committee on Sewers

On the petition of A. J. Taylor, and others for a Sewer from Franklin Street through Washington Street to an outlet near Charlestown Line your Committee respectfully recommend that the Sewer be laid, as a sewer is much needed in that locality; The building of this sewer necessitates the laying out and taking possession of private land for the purpose of getting an outlet in the creek or the marsh, that being the only outlet that can be obtained, with the view of ultimately extending it to Millers River whenever the necessities of the case require it to be done

We also recommend that the sewer committee be authorized to have a survey made, plans and specifications drawn, and obtain estimates for the construction of the same and to take any legal steps necessary to obtain a legal right to cross any land intervening between the two points named acting under the advice of the city Solicitor in all cases of taking and laying out

The report was accepted, and recommendations adopted.

Franklin st Sewer

Report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of L. Frank Arnold and others for the extension of Putnam Street, having viewed the premises and conferred with a number of the owners of the land which would be required for the purpose, respectfully report that they deem it inexpedient to lay out an extension of the street

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council April 27 Concurred in

Putnam st extension of

Report

Report of Committee on Finance and Public Property.

The Committee on Finance and Public Property hereunto respectfully report that after three hearings from the petitioners.

Voted that the committee report that under

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existing circumstances it is inexpedient to purchase the land on Spring Hill for a Public Park and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw — Public Parks

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 27 Concurred in — Report

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 27, 1872.
Ordered That the special Committee to whom was referred the subject of widening Milk Street from Union Square to Cambridge line near Mebhills Sand Works, also be instructed to consider the expediency of widening said Milk Street Westward from Union Square to the line of W.B.R. Cambridge, and report thereon to this City Council — Special Committee on widening Milk Street

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 27 Concurred in

Alderman Chase offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 27, 1872
Ordered that the Committee on Fire Department be authorised and they are hereby instructed to procure suitable furniture including gas fixtures for the proper furnishing of Marshall Street Hose House for the use of Hose Company No Two — Furniture for the Marshall st Hose House

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 27 Concurred in

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 27, 1872.
Ordered
That the sum of Forty thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the extension of the Water Works and the Committee on Finance are hereby authorised to borrow the said sum in manner prescribed in Section 10 of Ordinance No. 4. of the City Ordinances. — Water Works extension of

April 27, 1872.

Order Adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 27 Concurred in

Alderman Poor offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen April 27, 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Highways be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to establish grades for sidewalks, set edgestones, pave gutters with stone, and pave the walks with brick or stone, in such streets as the City Council shall direct. The expense of said edgestones, grading and paving of said walks to be paid one half by the abutters, and one half by the City; and the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized and instructed to borrow the sum of Two hundred thousand dollars, to be paid in equal annual instalments which shall extend over a period of not less than ten years; for paying the expense incurred in this order to grade, set edge stones and pave sidewalks; the interest on said loan to be paid semi annually and to be raised by taxation; and for the payment of the principle of said loan there shall be raised by taxation, annually, such portion of said two hundred thousand dollars as shall annually become due.

Order for Sidewalks Edgestones and Gutters

On motion of Alderman Bennett the question of adopting the order was taken by yeas and nays, the result being as follows, yeas Aldermen Poor and Fisher, nays Aldermen Hall, Glines, Hoskins, Chase, Bennett and Davis

Alderman Fisher moved to amend the order by inserting One hundred thousand in place of two hundred thousand the amendment was adopted.

On motion of Alderman Hoskins the question of adopting the order as amended was taken by yeas and nays with the following result yea Aldermen Poor Fisher Hoskins and Chase Nay Aldermen Hall, Glines, Bennett and Davis. It being a tie the deciding vote was cast

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in the affirmative by the Mayor and the order as amended was adopted and sent down to the Council for concurrence from whom it was returned with the following endorsement

In Common Council under suspension of the Rules and Orders passed both readings.

On motion of Alderman Furber the Rules and Orders were suspended and the order took its second reading and received its final passage

Board of Health additional

Alderman Furber offered the following order

Ordered

That the Mayor and Aldermen Hall and Hashing on the part of this board, together with such members of the Common Council as may be appointed on the part of that branch, shall constitute a Committee and be considered the Agents of the Board of Health to have and exercise all the authority which the Board of Health has but to report their action and be responsible to the Board of Health in accordance with the city ordinance.

Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council April 27. 1872. Concurred in and Councilmen Lechay, Wyatt and Barnes appointed from that branch.

Paper from the Common Council

In Common Council April 27. 1872.

The Committee of conference to whom was referred the subject of sidewalks in front of the Moore, Prescott, Bradlee and Foster School buildings

Recommend that Edge Stones be set, and sidewalks laid at such time and in front of such School Buildings as the Committee on Highways may deem expedient

In Common Council report accepted sent up for Concurrence

In Board of Aldermen April 27. Concurred in

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Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 27. 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Highways be authorized To Set Edge Stones and and pave sidewalks on all accepted streets around the following School Buildings - viz Mase Foster, Bradford, and Prescott whenever said Committee deem it expedient.

Sidewalks around School Houses

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 22. Concurred in

Order from Common Council
Ordered

Notes to be retired

That the Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby authorized To retire any notes of the Town of Somerville in anticipation of their maturity, by substituting therefor bonds of the City paid bonds to aggregate in amount the amount of notes retired. The bonds so issued to be payable, as near as said Committee may deem advisable, at such dates with, and to bear a rate of interest not exceeding the rate of the notes so retired.
Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen April 27. Concurred in

Order from Common Council
In Common Council April 27. 1872.
An order, laying a specific Tax To defray the expenses of the City of Somerville for the financial year. 1872. also To pay the County Tax and also To pay the State Tax.

Specific Tax

It is hereby ordered by the City Council, That the sum of Two hundred Sixty six Thousand dollars (266000) To pay the current expenses of the City of Somerville during the current financial year. Such sum as has been or may be assessed as the County Tax in the County of Middlesex for the current year, and such

sum as has been or may be assessed as the State Tax by the General Court of Massachusetts for the year 1872. be raised on the polls, estates and property, taxable in this City according to law, provided however that the assessors may add to the amount of the tax to be assessed such sums for convenience of apportionment or otherwise as is allowed by law.

In Common Council April 27.

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders passed to its readings and sent up for concurrence.

Alderman Shurtleff offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen April 27. 1872

Ordered, three fourths of the members present concurring thereto, that the standing Rules or Orders of the Board shall be and hereby are suspended, so that an order entitled "An order, laying a specific tax to defray the expenses of the City of Somerville for the financial year 1872. also to pay the State Tax also to pay the County Tax may have their two several readings and pass through all their stages on the same day to wit at this meeting.

The Order was adopted

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders the Order from the Council entitled an order laying a specific tax received two readings and finally passed.

——— Order from Common Council ———

——— City of Somerville ———

An Order relating to the specific appropriations for the financial year 1872.

It is hereby ordered by the City Council that to defray the expenditures of the City of Somerville for the current financial year, the following sums of money be and the same are hereby respectively appropriated for the objects and purposes as herein stated and explained that is to say

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For Schools and School House, including repairs of School Buildings, sixty three thousand dollars, namely

Salaries

Contingent Expenses

For Highways and Streets including repairs of City Stables Fifty Thousand dollars	50.000.00
For Sewers Eighteen thousand dollars	18.000.00
For Fire Department including repairs of buildings Nineteen Thousand Dollars	19.000.00
For Police Department including $1000 for repairs of buildings Lock Up etc Fifteen Thousand Five hundred Dollars	15.500.00
For Incidentals and Miscellaneous expenses Twenty Thousand Dollars	20.000.00
For Street Lights Eight Thousand Dollars	8.000.00
For Interest on funded and floating debt Thirty Thousand Dollars	30.000.00
For Interest on Water distribution and Works exclusive of income Ten thousand Dollars	10.000.00
For Poor account including salaries of Officers of the Poor Seven Thousand Five hundred dollars	7.500.00
For Soldiers Relief - One Thousand Dollars	1.000.00
For Salaries Ten Thousand Dollars	10.000.00
For Health Department Two Thousand Dollars	2.000.00
For Grading Public Grounds Two Thousand Dollars	2.000.00
For Alterations, Repairs and Furnishing of City Hall Building Ten Thousand Dollars	10.000.00
That is to say Two Hundred and Sixty Six Thousand Dollars -	266.000.00

The Order was received from the Council with the following indorsement.

" Amended by making the appropriation for Sewers $14.000

" " Highways 54.000

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Passed to its second reading
Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders finally passed and sent up for concurrence

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In Board of Aldermen The amendment of the Council concurred in
Alderman Bennett moved to amend by adding
Fifteen Thousand Dollars for Sidewalks
The motion was rejected,
Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders the order as amended received two readings and was finally passed

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Alderman Fisher offered the following order
Ordered
That interest at the rate of one per cent per Month, shall be charged upon all Taxes assessed the present year and unpaid on the first day of October until unpaid Taxes the same shall be paid
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council April 27 Concurred in

Police Court

Report of committee

Report of Committee upon act to establish Police Court
The Committee to whom was referred the matter of the establishment of a police court in the city of Somerville report that they applied to the General Court this year and that the act, a copy of which is hereto annexed, was passed and approved April 23, 1872
all of which is respectfully submitted
Somerville April 27 1872.

George O Brastow Mayor
Selwin C Bowman City Solicitor

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

May 4. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Fisher, Hall, Pierce, Hawkins, Chase Bennett and Davis present

Record of last meeting read and approved

Union st

Paper from Common Council May 1. 1872. Petition of A R Walker and others that Union Street be graded, edge Stone set and Brick sidewalks laid from Broadway to Mystic Avenue referred to Committee on Highways sent up for concurrence — In Board of Aldermen May 4. Concurred in

referred

Central st

The petition of Columbus Tyler for Lamp Post on Central Street was referred to Committee on Street Lights and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

lamp post referred

Licenses to Morris Bros

Petition of P Morris Manager of Morris Bros Minstrels for a license to give an entertainment in Warren Hall on Thursday evening was granted and the clerk was authorized to issue the license

Oliver st vaults referred

The communication of Samuel Perry in reference to vaults built on Oliver Street by one Fleming was referred to Board of Health and sent down for concurrence In Common Council May 8 Concurred in

Lowell st

Petition of Charles F King and others that Lowell Street be opened from Mill Street to Highland Avenue was referred to Committee on Highways sent down for concurrence In Common Council May 8 Concurred in

referred

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Report of Committee on Sidewalk Law

The Committee to whom was referred the order relative to obtaining an act, authorizing the City of Somerville to construct sidewalks report as follows — Sidewalk Act

That they drew and applied for a special act for the City of Somerville for the said purpose but found that it was the intention of the legislature to pass a general sidewalk law applicable to all cities and accordingly to refuse to pass any special acts. — Report of committee

Your Committee accordingly drew and presented to the Committee of the Legislature a general sidewalk law substantially the same as the act annexed hereto as originally printed. On that shape it was reported to the House but there it was amended as shown by the interlineations in printing and in that form as amended it has finally passed.

This act will not take effect so as to enable it to be accepted by the City until after the 30th day instt. after the day of its approval namely until after Monday June 3 next all of which is respectfully submitted

George O Brastow Mayor Selwin G Bowman City Solicitor Committee

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence

Concurred in.

The report of the Chief of Police was received and placed on file

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Charles F Palmer and T B Price was confirmed as members of Hose Company Number One and B Clarence Linnell as member of Hose Company Number Two. — Fire Dept members confirmed

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Upon the recommendation of the Board of Engineers and Committee on Fire Department William A Burbank was appointed permanent fireman of Steamer Number One

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Report of the Board of Health

On the petition of Charles O. Aill for a license to manufacture Soap in a building that he proposes to build on Poplar Street — Chas. O. Aill Soap factory

Your Committee examined the place found it to be in a thick settled neighborhood, the land is very low & difficult of drainage and they think it would be detrimental to health to have an establishment of this kind in that locality and would recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. — leave to withdraw

Report accepted and recommendation adopted sent down for Concurrence. In Common Council Concurred

The following order was offered by Alderman Hawkins In Board of Aldermen May 4. 1872. — House offal

Ordered

That the Board of Health be instructed to devise some method for disposing of house offal

Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence

May & Concurred in

Committee on Sewers reported for information that they had appointed Abram Welch Superintendent of Sewers — Supt of Sewers Abram Welch appointed

The petition of Joseph S. Osgood to be appointed Undertaker was deferred for one week.

The report of the Board of Health in reference to keeping Swine was deferred one week — C. D. Clarke confirmed as Field Driver

The nomination of Cyrus D. Clarke as Field Driver was confirmed by the Aldermen

Alderman Chase offered the following order

Ordered

That the thanks of the City Council be and are hereby tendered to Chief Engineer Raymond

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of the Cambridge Fire Department for the gratuitous use of a Steamer belonging to that City during the time our Steamer was being repaired
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 8. Concurred in

Vote of thanks to Ch. Eng. Raymond C. F. D.

Adjourned Charles E Gilman Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen May 11. 1872.
Mayor presiding

Aldermen Furber, Hall, Olivio, Hoskins, Chase Bennett and Davis present

Record of last meeting read and approved

Watering Streets

Paper from the Common Council
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the subject of watering the streets of the City the present year have considered the subject and recommend that such streets as the City Council may direct be watered, provided the abutters pay one half the expense and they further recommend that a special Joint Committee be appointed to carry the matter into effect
In Common Council May 8. 1872.
Accepted recommendations adopted and Councilmen Pope Wyatt and Morrison appointed on the part of this branch.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1872
Concurred in and Aldermen Furber and Davis were appointed on the part of this Branch.

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Order from the Common Council
In Common Council May 8. 1872.
Ordered That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to purchase one additional horse for the use of the highways Department, the expense to the City not to exceed Three Hundred dollars
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. Concurred in

Sup^t of streets to purchase horse

The petition of John S Ladd in reference to Rutland Street was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

Rutland st referred

The petition of Ira Hill that a brick side walk be constructed in front of Pythian and Warren Blocks Union Square was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

Sidewalks Pythian Blocks referred

The petition of Mebrin and Richardson and others for the acceptance of Ellsworth Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

Ellsworth st acceptance of referred

The petition of Henry F Horing and others for a Sewer in South Street was referred to Committee on Sewers

South street sewer referred

The petition of John Cremer for a License to keep a Goat was referred to Committee on Health
Sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council May 15 Concurred in

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The petition of Ames Geyer for leave to obstruct a portion of Central Street while building also Philip Malone to obstruct a portion of Tremont and Norfolk Streets was granted and the Clerk instructed to issue the permits.

James Crosby, J B Phinney and S H Baker were confirmed as members of Hook and Ladder Co No One

Fire Dept members confirmed

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee as instructed by an order of this Board invited proposals for building a sewer in Bonaire Street in accordance with plan and specifications drawn by C D Elliot City Engineer, and having carefully examined the same we recommend that the Committee be authorized and instructed to close a contract with H M Minslow he being the lowest bidder

The report was accepted and recommendations adopted

Bonair st sewer H. M. Minslow

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of L A Grimes and others for the acceptance of Everett Avenue, recommend that said avenue be laid out and accepted from Cross Street to Dana Street

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council May 15 Concurred in

Everett Ave acceptance and laying out recommended

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Mrs Taylor and others for the widening of Pearl Street, recommend that said street be widened from Franklin to Cross street, to fifty feet, provided said widening will not subject the City to any expense for land damages report accepted adopted and sent down for

Pearl st widening from Franklin to Cross

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Concurrence In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of James H. Hopkins and others for the construction of Otis Street, recommend that said street be laid out graded and accepted, from Lincoln to Dana Street provided the abutters will pay one half the cost of grading. Report accepted & adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

Otis street laying out &c

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of James McClark and others for Edge Stones and Sidewalks in Flint Street, recommend that edge stones be set from Franklin to Green Street, the gutters paved and sidewalks graded, when the legislative act of 1872 in relation to sidewalks, shall have been accepted by the City

Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

Flint street

Edgestones and Sidewalks

Report of Committee on Highways.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of O. S. Wheeler and others for the layings out and gradings of Mount Vernon Street respectfully report that said street from Broadway to Pearl Street is already an accepted highway, and recommend that when the part of the street between Pearl and Washington Street shall have been graded by the abutters to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and superintendent of streets that the same be laid out and accepted by the City; and that edge stones be set, the gutters paved and sidewalks graded, when the Legislative act of 1872 in relation to sidewalks shall have been

Mt. Vernon st.

laying out &c from Pearl to Washington

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accepted by the City
Report was accepted and adopted and sent down for concurrence In Common Council May 15
amended by recommitting to the Committee on Highways
May 14 In Board of Aldermen recommitment concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred an Order of the County Commissioners for the building of a highway from West Medford, recommend that authority be given said Committee to confer with the authorities of the Town of Medford, in relation to the matter, to obtain specifications and estimates and make such contracts as they may deem ~~expedient~~ necessary for the accomplishment of the work
The report was accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council May 15. Concurred.

Dr. Medford highway report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Thomas F Maguire and others in relation to the Fitchburg Rail Road Bridge on Washington Street recommend that the Mayor and City Solicitor confer with the President of the Rail Road in regard to the matter
The report was accepted adopted sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

F. R. Ro.

Washington st bridge report

Alderman Hawkins offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1872.
Ordered
That the matter of the laying out of Everett avenue, and Otis street, and the widening of Pearl street be recommitted to the Highway Committee with instructions to take all steps and do all things that

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may be required according to law for the laying out or widening of said street respectively in accordance with the recommendations contained in their report

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council concurred by laying upon the table that part of the order relating to the widening of Pearl Street Calonne of order concurred in

Everett Ave Pearl & Otis streets recommitted

In 73 and Gatchman concurred in

Pearl street order

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of D F Crane and others for the laying out of Pinckney Street report that it is inexpedient to continue the unaccepted part of said street to the terminus of the street at Pearl Street but recommend that a street be laid out by the petitioners and abutters from the northeasterly terminus of said unaccepted Pinckney street, westwardly to New Florence Street, and that said New Florence street be extended through land of Ezra D. Conant to Pearl Street.

Alderman Fisher moved to amend by striking out of the report all after the words Pearl Street.

The amendment was adopted. The report as amended was accepted and adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Non Concurred in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen The report as submitted by the Com on Highways accepted adopted. Sent up for Concurrence

Report of Committee on Health deferred May 4

The Committee on Health visited various localities where swine had formerly been kept were much pleased to ascertain that most of the parties had disposed of their hogs and the cleanliness of those localities were much improved The Committee think that entire prohibition in the low flat land where it is difficult to drain would be for the interest and health of the inhabitants. The Committee were unanimous in the opinion that no licenses should be granted for the keeping of Swine in any place South of Milk and Washington Street between Lowell Rail Road and Prospect Streets.

and that on the petition of Peter Keagan and Clark

Report of Committee on Health

Swine

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Bennett for a license to keep swine your Committee would recommend that they have leave to withdraw. Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett moved to amend by instructing the Committee on Health to grant a license to keep swine when in their opinion it would not be detrimental to public health. Amendment rejected

Report of Committee on Health.

The Committee visited the surroundings of the Union Glass House and Gas House block and found in both places the privies to be in a filthy condition having no vaults connected with them. They have authorised the Chief of Police to serve notice on the parties interested to cause the privies to be properly cleansed and brick vaults to be built for the same. Privies

This Committee examined the slaughtering establishment of James O'Brien in the rear of Webster Avenue; find he has allowed more or less blood to escape into the creek and that the odor arising from the rear of his premises was very offensive and the Chief of Police was authorised to serve a notice on him to remove the nuisance. Slaughter Houses

The Committee found near the Gas House block a piggery which was in a filthy state and the chief of Police was authorised to serve a notice on the owners to have the same removed.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

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Leave to withdraw was granted to Charles H. Bailey and Patrick Cassidy upon their petition for leave to keep swine.

The petition of Tufts Brick Company for leave to keep swine was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council May 15. Concurred in

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Alderman Hall offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1872.
Order in regard to Contagious disease
Section 1.

When any person residing in the City of Somerville is infected with a disease dangerous to the public health, he may be, in case of his residing in a boarding house, hotel or where two or more families occupy the same dwelling, and in all cases where in the opinion of the board of health and the attending physicians, the case cannot be properly isolated, removed to such hospital or place of reception, as shall be provided by the board of health; the expenses attending the case of such persons to be paid as provided by law. — Dangerous diseases

Section 2. If the condition of such person will not admit of his removal without danger to his health, the house or place where he remains, may be considered as a hospital, and all persons residing in, or in any way concerned within the same shall be subject to the regulations of the board of health, and the said hospital shall be isolated and persons prevented from going to, or coming from the same, in such manner as the board of health shall determine.

Section 3 The Chief of police Melvill C Parkhurst is hereby appointed, as agent of the board of health to carry out the provisions of this order, and in regard thereto to act for such board in cases of emergency or when the board cannot be conveniently assembled, and as such agent he shall have and may exercise all the authority and make all orders and do all acts, which the board of health can exercise, make or do, but he shall report his action in each case to the board of health for their approval, and be responsible to them and under their control and direction, all as provided by law. — Chief of Police appointed Health Agent.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council May 13 Concurred in

Bapiny

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Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

To his Honor the Mayor and the City Council of Somerville

Gentlemen In accordance with Section 6th of the Ordinance relating to the Fire Department. I have the honor to submit to you a report of its condition together with the number of alarms and fires, with a description of the property destroyed, also an estimate of the loss, and the amount of insurance on the same from January 15th when I assumed command to May 1st — The members of the department have maintained good department in the discharge of their duties a general spirit of vigilancy has been manifested in their desire to promptly respond to the numerous calls made upon them there have been no discharges except at their own request. The apparatus has been kept in good condition. On a communication to the chairman of the Committee on Fire Department I called his attention to the condition of the Hose Carriage in the Steamer House after an examination by competent persons the Committee concluded it would be injudicious to expend a large amount in repairing it and an appropriation was therefor made for a new carriage and a contract has been made with Messrs Dole and Osgood to repair the old one and build a new one, which will probably be completed in July

Report of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

Fires and Alarms

January 15. Fire house on Cliff Street owned by James Manly occupied by Mr Belcourt, There was no loss on the building nothing but bedding on fire two small children smothered. Cause of fire, bursting of Kerosene lamp

January 28 Alarm from fire in Cambridge
February 1 alarm from Steamer bell fire in Newton
" 5 alarm from Hose No 3 bell
" 22 Fire Cottage on Convent grounds no loss

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February 22. Soap Factory on Meloter Avenue, owned by Miles Gardner called department in service
Assistance rendered by Steamers 1. 2. 3. and Ladder Company No one of Cambridge
Loss on building and contents $1500.
Insurance 1000

March 2 Fire Meloter Avenue near Fitchburg Rail Road loss on building ten dollars fully insured

March 19. Fire Cottage on Convent Grounds Cause Incendiary Loss $25.00

March 15 Alarm came from Fire in Charlestown Chief Delano sent for assistance and Hose one and Steamer passed out

March 26 Building near the line in Cambridge
April 10 Alarm from Box 9 Charlestown
" 12 Alarm from Cambridge
" 19. Fire House on Bond Street Loss $50.00
" 19 Alarm False on Washington Street
" 19 Alarm False
" 20 Bonfire on School Street
" 25 Alarm False
" 26 Alarm False
Number of Fires Seven
" " Alarms Eleven
Loss 1585.00
Insurance 1010.00
Total Loss 575.00

J S Hopkins Chief Engineer

Report accepted sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council May 15 Concurred in

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Report of Committee on Highways

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was assigned referred the duty of reporting to the Council "a list of streets in the City where there are more than one bearing the same name, that the City Council may take such action in regard to the same as may be deemed necessary" would respectfully report that they find:

Two Appleton Streets No 1 running from Lowell St inward 3.
No 2 " from Willow Ave in " 4.

Two Chester Streets No 1 running from Cross to Medford Street
_____ No 2 running from Elm St to Cambridge

Two Chestnut Streets No 1 " from Poplar to London St
_____ No 2 " from Cherry to Cedar St

Two Cottage Places No 1 " from Russell St to Chester St No 2
_____ No 2 " from Washington St

Two Maple Streets No 1 " from Poplar to Medford St
_____ No 2 " from Cedar St to Cherry St

Duplicate names of Streets

Two West Streets one in Ward 3 and one in Ward 4

Appleton Street No 1 is much the older of the two but No 2 is the most built upon

Chester Street No one is a narrow way is fully built upon, and is perhaps the older of the name. No 2 is well built upon and being a continuation of a street in the City of Cambridge of the same name has so much the advantage in claiming the name

Chestnut Street No 1 is well built upon while No 2 had not a single house in May last and all the abutting land as appears by the assessors books was owned by one person It would seem that No 2 should adopt another name.

Cottage Place No 1 has two or three houses No 2 the assessors of last year did not find any on any one other name and the inference would be that No one being the most known was not entitled to the name

Maple Street No 1 is well built upon while No 2 had not a single house in May last, and all the abutting land as appears by the assessors books was owned by one person the same

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who was at corner of Chestnut Street No 2. It would seem that Maple Street No 2 should take another name.

There were formerly two Lowell Streets, but the one running from Linwood Street is now called London Street; there were two Linden Streets, but the one running from Rose to Summer Street is now called Leland Street by the assessors, though by the directory the residents still claim to live on Linden Street. It might be well for the City Council to suggest some other name for one of these streets; there were two Myrtle Streets but one of them is called Merriam Street by the assessors though by the directory the residents seem to flatter themselves that they reside on Mystic Street; and this last name will, perhaps, the more easily attach to the street. There were two Union Streets and one of them connected itself with Clark Street only to find that it had taken a name already appropriated, and so finally settled upon Sacramento Street. The other Clark Street seems to be wavering between that name and Brickyard Lane. There are other streets which have more than one name. Pitman Street and Brick Lane are identical. Middlesex Court and Tenney Court the same; the latter name will probably attain. Beacon Street by the assessors, Taylor Street by the assessors, and North Pearl Street by others are one and the first name will probably take precedence. Willow Place is sometimes called Water Street, but the first name is the one by which it is best known. The assessors find a "Ward Street" and are content to note that it was formerly Norfolk Street though there is still another Norfolk Street in the City. The residents in this Ward Street of the assessors claim to live in Harris Street.

The Committee while pursuing the work assigned to them have also compiled a list of the streets, avenues, squares, places, courts, and lanes in the City giving the end connections of each, and would respectfully suggest that when more than one have been the same name it might be well for a corrected list to be filed in the office of the City Clerk, or perhaps published in the local newspapers.

The Committee assume that no control can be had over the naming of private ways; but as these private ways will some day claim to become public highways and duplicate names

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will, not then be permitted, it might not be inappropriate to suggest to the owners of those maps a revision of names. Report accepted, adopted, sent down for concurrence.

May 15 Concurred in.

✓ Report of Special Committee on widening Milk Street.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of widening Milk Street from Union Square Eastward to the line of East Cambridge, and subsequently, the widening of said street westward to the line of North Cambridge, beg leave to report that they have examined the street, its entire length in Committee, and find the present width of the same to be as follows, viz: From the wide near the line of East Cambridge to the Westerly end of Bow Street, fifty feet; from this point westward to Elm Street, sixty feet; and from Elm Street to the line of North Cambridge, fifty feet, the two ends being fifty feet, and the central about one half the length of the street, being sixty feet wide. We find an important fact entering into this question, that this is one of the great central thoroughfares leading almost in a direct line, and of level grade westward from Boston into the central part of Middlesex County. Its natural advantages for a thoroughfare are such as will never be changed or superseded by other developments and improvements.

There is now a horse rail road track in its centre from East Cambridge to Elm Street, and the time may be considered as not remote when the second track will be necessary to meet the wants of the public. Presenting these as preliminary considerations we now consider the question of what is a suitable or necessary width of such an avenue for the convenience and accommodation of the public. It should be such as will allow pedestrians, cars, carriages, teams and vehicles of all descriptions to pass and repass, without obstruction or hindrance; without being crowded, jostled or cramped in the pursuit of their callings. Some persons of good sound practical judgment express the opinion that this avenue should be made one hundred feet wide the entire length it runs through our City. If it had been originally located that width we think

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none would be found in favor of making it narrower but now when the cost of widening becomes an important element of the question and the expense will in some measure be graduated by the extent of the widening and as it is highly desirable that economy should be observed in all the departments of our City Government Your Committee therefore recommend only that extent of widening which to their minds will meet the wants and exigencies of the case. We find that seventy five feet furnishes space sufficient for all ordinary purposes of a business thoroughfare allowing one third for sidewalks twenty five feet (25) fifteen feet (15) for the accommodation of two Horse Railroad Tracks, we then have thirty five feet left for carriage space, which is seventeen and a half feet for each side, between the sidewalks and the Railroad Track, and which will give carriages room to pass each other on each side of the street. We find that seventy five feet is the width of the street in East Cambridge at this end of Cambridge and also that Main Street in Cambridgeport opposite City Hall is of the same width. The cost of making this street seventy five feet wide from Union Square to East Cambridge would be but a trifle more than to make it sixty five or seventy feet wide and in case there should be any difference in the width of the street the greater width should be from Union Square to East Cambridge because this section of it will be used by the greater number of persons. Your Committee find that the central section from Bow Street to Elm Street now sixty feet wide can be increased to seventy feet with very little expense, as few if any buildings would in this case be interfered with but to make it seventy five feet wide would in the opinion of your Committee seriously injure many estates abutting on the same. The damages arising from widening the section from Union Square to the Westerly end of Bow Street would be mainly to two estates, and would not be heavy; from Elm Street to the line of North Cambridge the taking of twenty feet all of which must be taken from the northerly side on account of the Southerly line of the street being also the line of the Fitchburg Rail Road, would be

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somewhat expensive as there are some fine buildings most of them not costly which it would be necessary to move back from the street. This last named section could have been widened two years ago with very little expense for land damages as all of these buildings, but one have been erected within that time.

In certain quarters it has been suggested to allow this section to remain of its present width, but your Committee are of opinion that the width from Union Square to North Cambridge line should be uniformly seventy feet. This section is rendered dangerous on account of the travel being crowded in near to the line of the Fitchburg Railroad, but aside from this view your Committee are of the opinion that no comparatively light pecuniary considerations should be allowed to divert, or deform a measure like this of great public convenience and utility.

This being a County Road it will be necessary to apply to the County Commissioners to lay out the same or to authorise the same to be done by the City Council of Somerville and this avenue being of great importance to places in the County lying westerly of Somerville we may your Committee think confidently entertain the hope that the County will bear a considerable portion of the land damages arising from the proposed improvement.

Entertaining these views your Committee recommend that measures be taken to bring this subject regularly before the County Commissioners with a view of laying out said Walk Street from Union Square to the line of East Cambridge so as to cause the same to be seventy five feet wide and from Union Square to North Cambridge line so as to cause said Street between those two points to be uniformly seventy feet wide and that the Mayor and President of the Common Council be added to the Special Committee formerly appointed to attend to this subject; That this Committee constituted as proposed, be authorized to cause surveys and plans to be made with estimates of damages, attend hearings before the County Commissioners and procure whatever

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may be necessary as information relating to this subject and report their doings thereon to the City Council should this measure be accomplished it will add to the value of property promote the comfort and convenience of our citizens and show ourselves capable of comprehending the signs of the times and ready to provide for the present and prospective requirements of a new and growing city

Respectfully submitted Clark Bennett Chairman

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council May 15. Non concurred in

In Board of Aldermen May 18 laid on the table

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

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Mayor presiding

Aldermen Fuller Gaines, Hoskins, Chase and Bennett present

S N Watson, C L Meeks, and James Gavin were drawn as jurors to the Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the first monday in June next — Jurors

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Paper from the Common Council

Petition of Jeremiah Corcoran for leave to keep a goal referred to Committee on Health and sent up for concurrence — Goal

In Board of Aldermen May 18 concurred in

Paper from the Common Council

The remonstrance of O. H. Davis and others against the widening of Pearl Street referred to the Committee on highways and sent up for concurrence — Pearl street widening of remonstrance

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In Board of Aldermen May 18 Concurred in

The report of the Committee on highways in reference to Pinckney street was received from the Common Council with the following endorsement — Pinckney St

In Common Council May 15. 1872 — Report of committee

Non concurred in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen.

The report as submitted by the Committee on highways accepted and adopted. Sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872.

Voted to adhere to former action and return to Council

Petition of Michael Manning for leave to keep a Goat was referred to Board of Health and sent down for concurrence — Goat

In Common Council May 22. Concurred in

The petition of James Gavin for payment of tax wrongfully assessed was referred to the City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence — Petition of James Gavin

In Common Council May 22. 1872. Concurred in

The petition of Mr Manning and Mrs Flood for leave to keep swine was referred to the Committee on health sent down for concurrence — Swine

In Common Council May 22 Concurred in

The petition of Barnabas Binney for permission to lay a drain across Mill Street was referred to Alderman Bennett a member of the Committee on sewers with full powers — Petition B. Binney

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The petition of John Nyaro for leave to keep a Goat was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22 Concurred in — Goat

The petition of James Buckley for leave to keep Goats was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22 Concurred in — Goats

The petition of James Aylward for leave to keep a Goat was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence In Common Council Concurred in — Goat

The petition of Alonzo Bowers for leave to keep swine was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22. Concurred in — Swine

Alderman Bennett offered the following Order
In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872.
Ordered that all petitions for licenses to keep swine or Goats be referred to the Committee on Health with full power
Order Adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22 Concurred in — Licenses for Goats & Swine referred to Com on Health

The Communication of Willard C Wesley Post No 139, G. A. R. tendering an invitation to the City Government to participate in the decoration ceremony on Memorial day was accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22. Concurred in — Memorial day

The Rules and Regulations of the Somerville Fire Department adopted by the Board of Engineers was referred to the City Solicitor sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Concurred in — Rules & Regs. Fire Dept. referred

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Report of Committee on Highways

Report of Committee on Highways — Park Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of A L Tower and others for the grading and setting of edge stones in Park Street, recommend that said street be graded, when the legislative act of 1872 in relation to sidewalks, shall have been accepted by the city. Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council May 22. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

Poplar Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of T. C. Gallagher and others for the acceptance of Poplar Street, recommend that no said street is part of the requisite width for acceptance, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council May 22 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

Bonner Place

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Bill Walker and Abbott and others for the laying out of Bonner place recommend that when the petitioners grade said ~~street~~ place to a width of 40 feet from Washington to Walnut Street, that the same be laid out and accepted. Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council May 22 concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

Perkins Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of M Fletcher and others in reference to sidewalks in Perkins Street, recommend that edgestones be set and the gutters and sidewalks paved when the

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legislative act of 1873. in relation to sidewalks, shall have been accepted by the City
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways
Maple Street

Maple Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John McCarty and others for the grading and acceptance of Maple Street, recommend That, inasmuch as the cost to the petitioners and others of widening said street to 40 feet would involve a large expense on the abutters, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw
The question of acceptance and adoption of the above report was taken by yeas and nays on motion of Alderman Bennett.
Yea Aldermen Ferber, Glines, Hoskins and Chase
Nay Alderman Bennett
The report was declared accepted and adopted sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22. Concurred in

Brick Yard Lane

Report of Committee on Highways
Brick Yard Lane

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of C. C. Mullins and others for the laying out of Brick yard lane, recommend That the City Engineer be instructed to give the abutters lines of said way, to correspond, substantially to a plan accompanying the petition, with satisfactory grades; and that when the same shall be graded to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and superintendent of Streets, it be laid out and accepted, provided the City shall not be subject to land damages
Alderman Bennett moved the following amendment. Provided the Westerly line of Brick Yard Lane

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(From the Fitchburg Rail Road to Clark Street shall not be changed as the fence now stands
The amendment was adopted and the report as amended was accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council amendment non concurred in report as made by Committee accepted adopted sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of T. A. Shed and others for a sewer in Mount Benedict Street respectfully recommend, that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the sewer committee be instructed to have a survey and plan made, and procure estimates for the construction of the same and report

Benedict street Sewer

The report was accepted and adopted.

Alderman Bennett offered the following joint order
In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872.
Ordered that the Mayor the President of the Common Council and Walter S Barnes be added to the Special Committee on the proposed widening of Bulfinch Street
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22 Concurred in

Chuck street widening

Alderman Fuller offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872.
Ordered
That the Mayor and each member of the Board of Aldermen be and are hereby authorized to grant permits to any person or persons desiring to erect or repair buildings abutting on any street in the City, all taking such portion of the street adjoining as they or either of them may deem expedient and necessary Adopted

Licenses to obstruct streets while building

Alderman Fuller offered the following order. May 18, 1872

In Board of Aldermen May 18th 1872
Ordered
That the Committee on Burial Grounds be instructed to cause the Cemetery in which the Soldiers Monument is located to be put in neat and proper order prior to Decoration day . . . . Cemetery

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872
Ordered
That the Committee on Highways be instructed to consider the expediency of laying out that part of Brick Yard Lane from Webster Avenue to Prospect Street so as to cause the same to be forty feet wide and report thereon Brick Yard Lane
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 22. Concurred in

Alderman Glinn offered the following order
Ordered In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872.
That due notice be given by publication in the Boston daily Globe that this board will on Saturday May 25th at the aldermen's room at City Hall at 7½ P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a sewer in Waverly Washington and Franklin streets and of assessing the expense thereof upon all persons who may enter this particular drain into such common sewer or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby, and persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard Waverley Washington Franklin sts. Sewer
The order was adopted

Alderman Bennett offered the following Resolve

In Board of Aldermen May 18, 1872.
Resolved
That we learn with deep sorrow of the death of our tried and faithful City Officer Abram Milch Esq and that a Committee of two be appointed by the chair to draft Resolutions expressive of our loss and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased also that the members of this Board attend his funeral
The Resolve was adopted
Aldermen Bennett and Turbermore appointed a Committee to draft Resolutions and the Clerk was instructed to notify the President of the Common Council of the action of this Board.

Abram Milch resolutions ordered

Sarvin A. Woodward was nominated by the Mayor as Special Police Officer and confirmed by the Aldermen.

S. A. Woodward Special Police

The Board examined the transcripts of the records returned by the clerks of the several Wards in regard to the vote yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell or keep for sale, Ale, Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873

Returns

Beer

Question

Returns of the Ward Officers

Ward One

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville, Greeting
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward One qualified as the law directs to assemble at Prescott Hall in the Prescott School Building on Pearl Street on Tuesday the seventh day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o'clock

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in the affirmative, then and there to give in their ballots yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale Ale Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer, in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon
Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville this 13th day of April in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & Seventy two
By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E Gilman City Clerk

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss
City of Somerville April 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward One in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs according to the within Warrant by posting a true copy of said Warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward One, near the place of the meeting as specified in the within Warrant such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid Seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant, also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal April 27 and May 4; a newspaper published in said City of Somerville
Melville C Parkhurst Constable

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of Ward No One qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein named & expressed, At one o clock P M the warrant calling this meeting was read by the Warden who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward qualified by law to vote to give

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in their Ballots for the purpose expressed in said Warrant at four o'clock P. M. the polls were closed and the whole number of ballots given in (having) been sorted and counted by the Wardens and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law the result was as follows.
Whole number of Votes One hundred and sixty one
Yes. Eighty One No. Eighty

The state of the ballots so sorted counted and recorded as above in four Ward meetings was declared to the meeting by the Wardens
The meeting then dissolved
Aroch Ferris Warden
M. B. Stebbins Clerk
Byron Roberts, John P Pritchard John McCarty
Inspectors

Return of Ward Two

Ward room Ward 2 Somerville Mass May 7. 1872.
At a meeting of the legal voters of Ward Two of the City of Somerville Mass the Wardens and Inspectors of said ward being present, the warrant for said meeting with the return of Constables on the same was read by the Warden at the time specified in said warrant
The clerk of the Ward being absent it was voted to proceed to the choice of a Clerk Pro tem and that the polls be kept open five minutes for that purpose
The whole number of votes cast was fifteen
W A Daniels had that number and was declared elected and was sworn in by the Warden to the trust

Copy of Warrant

City of Somerville
To any Constable of the City of Somerville Greeting
In the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Two

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qualified as the law directs to assemble at Hanchett's Hall in Union Square, on Tuesday the seventh day of May, next at one o'clock in the afternoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale, Ale, Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville, until the first Tuesday in May 1873"

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O. Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville this 18th day of April in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles B. Gilmore City Clerk.

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss.

City of Somerville April 29. 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the Citizens of Ward Number Two in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs according to the within Warrant, by posting a true copy of said Warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward, near the place of the meeting as specified in the within warrant, such time having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said warrant, also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal April 27th and May 4th (the newspaper published in said City of Somerville)

Melvin O. Parkhurst Constable

The result of the vote was as follows.

On the ballot shall any person be allowed to manufacture sell or keep for sale Ale Porter Strong Beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.

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Yes One hundred and thirteen
No 39. Thirty Nine

On the ballot "Shall any person be prevented from Manufacturing, Selling, or keeping for sale Ale, Porter, Strong Beer or Lager Beer in this City" No. Five

On the ballot "shall any person be allowed to manufacture Sell, or keep for Sale, Ale, Porter, Strong Beer or Lager Beer in this City Yes One

W. H. Daniels Clerk pro tem
Robert A Brial Warden
Eben C Mann, Howard Dodge, Wm P Grant Inspectors

We the undersigned hereby certify that the aforesaid vote was publicly declared, signed and sealed in Open Ward meeting
Robert A Brial Warden of Ward Four
W. H. Daniels Clerk pro Tem.

Return of Ward Three
Copy of Warrant

City of Somerville
To any Constable of the City of Somerville Greeting
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Three qualified as the law directs to assemble at Foster Hall in the Foster School building on Sycamore Street on Tuesday the seventh day of May next at One o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots "yes or No in answer to the question shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale" ale, Porter Strong Beer or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.
Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with

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your doings thereon
Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville this 13th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two
By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E Gilman City Clerk
A true copy of Warrant attest Frest C Graves
Ass't Clerk

Return of Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex ss
City of Somerville April 29, 1872.
This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward Number Three (3) in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs, according to the within Warrant by posting a true copy of Warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward near the place of the meeting as specified in the within Warrant, such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant, also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal April 27 and May 4, a newspaper published in said City of Somerville
Milvill C Parkhurst Constable

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of Ward Number Three qualified as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed; The Warden at one o clock read the above Warrant and return and called upon the Inhabitants to bring in their ballots in answer to the question expressed in the Warrant The ballot was taken by the use of the check list delivered by the clerk of the City to the Clerk of the Ward.
At Four o clock in the afternoon the polls were closed

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as per order in the Warrant and the whole number of ballots having been received and counted by the Warden and Inspectors in the manner provided by law, the result was found to be as follows.

Whole number of ballots received ____ 54 ____
Yes Twenty five ____ 25 ____
No Twenty nine ____ 29 ____ 54

The state of the ballot as above stated was declared to the meeting by the Warden.

After the result of the above ballots were declared all the ballots and check list was deposited in a box and sealed, and the transcripts of the records of said Ward specifying the vote given for the above purpose, was certified by the Warden and Clerk to be returned to the City Clerk

The meeting was then dissolved

A true copy. Attest Fred G Graves Jr Clerk.

We, W. H. Pennock Warden and F. G. Graves Clerk hereby certify that the foregoing are true transcripts of the records of said Ward, specifying the votes given for the purpose expressed in said warrant.

Somerville May 7, 1872.

W. H. Pennock Warden
F. G. Graves Clerk.

Return of Ward Four

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Four qualified as the law directs to assemble at the Hall of the Morse School building on Summer Street on Tuesday the Seventh day of May next at one o'clock in the afternoon and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for

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a No in answer to the question "shall any person be allowed to Manufacture, sell, or keep for sale Ale, Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer, in the City of Somerville until the first Tuesday in May 1873.
Herein fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon
Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Seventy two
By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E. Gilman
City Clerk

Return of Warrant
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex ss. Somerville April 29. 1872.
This is to certify that I have warned and notified the Citizens of Ward Number Four in the City of Somerville qualified as the law directs according to the within warrant by posting a true copy of said Warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward near the place of the meeting as specified in the within Warrant such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant, also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal April 27th and May 4th a newspaper published in said City of Somerville
Melvill C. Parkhurst Constable

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward No Four, qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed at one o'clock P. M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by the Warden who then called

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upon the inhabitants of said Ward, qualified by law to vote, to give in their ballots for the purpose therein expressed in said Warrant

At four o clock P.M. the polls were closed and the whole number of ballots given in having been sorted and counted by the Warden and Inspectors of Election in the manner provided by law, the result was as follows

Whole number of ballots Fifty Two (52).
For allowing to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale the Porter, Strong Beer or Lager Beer (Yes) Thirty eight 38
Against the manufacture sell or keep for sale the Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer (No. Fourteen 14
until the first Tuesday in May 1873.

The state of the ballots as sorted, counted and recorded as above in open Ward meeting, was declared to the meeting by the Warden.

The meeting then dissolved

True record

George H. Pratt
Ward Clerk

Lebbeus Fletcher, Warden
John T. Brookhouse, James B. David Inspectors,

And whereas it appears by examining and comparing the transcripts of the records of the elections in the several Wards returned to the Mayor and Aldermen that the following is the result in answer to the question "shall any person be allowed to manufacture, sell, or keep for sale the Porter, Strong Beer, or Lager Beer in the City of Somerville until the First Tuesday in May 1873.

Yes. Two hundred fifty seven
No One hundred eighty two

Attest Charles E. Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

May 25. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Poor, Fisher, Hall, Pierce, Chase and Bennett present

Record of last meeting read and approved

Brick yard Lane

The report of the Committee on Highways in reference to Brick yard Lane was returned from the Common Council with the following indorsement
In Common Council May 22.
The amendment not concurred in.
Report as made by the Highway Committee accepted and adopted, and sent up for concurrence
On motion of Alderman Poor the report was laid on the table

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council May 22. 1872.
Ordered
That the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to remove all surplus dirt or gravel that may be left after constructing sewers in the street to be used for the benefit of the City in grading streets or building sidewalks as he may deem necessary and that no person shall have any right to sell or dispose of such surplus dirt without authority from the City Council

Removal of Sewer earth

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen May 25. Concurred in

Order from Common Council
In Common Council May 22. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Health be authorized to contract with some responsible person or persons

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for the collection and disposal of house offal till the first day of May, 1873.
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen May 25. Concurred in

House Offal

Petition of J. Manning and others for construction of Sewer in Medford Street between Washington and Mill Streets was referred to Committee on Sewers.

Medford St. sewer referred

The petition of Thomas M. Brady and others in relation to stagnant water on Beacon Street was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence In Common Council May 29 Concurred in

Beacon St. stagnant water referred

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Ira Hill for the construction of a brick sidewalk in Union Square, recommend that the same be laid when the legislative Act of 1872 in relation to sidewalks shall have been accepted by the City.
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 29 Concurred in

Union Sq. sidewalk

Report of Committee on Watering Streets
The joint select committee to whom was referred the subject of watering the streets of the City during the current season beg leave to report that they advertised for proposals for doing the same that they have received several and are ready to close a contract with one of the parties as soon as authority is given them. From all they can learn, they expect that the City will be called upon to ~~[illegible]~~ provide for the watering of at least five miles of streets. As the season is fast passing and in order to hasten the accomplishment of the object for which they were appointed they would respectfully recommend that they be authorised to make such contract as in

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their judgment may be for the best interest of the City.
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 29. Concurred in

Alderman Bonnitt offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Ordered that the Committee on Highways be instructed to confer with John O'Brien to ascertain, if he will consent to the continuation of Clark Street through his premises, from Brickyard lane to Webster Avenue near its junction with Prospect Street and report thereon
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Council May 29 Concurred in

Clark Street continuation

Report of Special Committee to obtain the repeal of the act authorising a bridge to be constructed across Mystic River

Report of committee on Mystic river Bridge

The Committee appointed to endeavor to obtain from the Legislature the repeal of the law authorising the County Commissioners to cause a bridge to be constructed across the Mystic River from Somerville to Malden, have attended to their duty and report; that the case was heard before the committee of the Legislature, several hearings being had before them in regard thereto, and the Committee having viewed the premises; every effort was made by the Committee of the City Council and by the representatives of the city in the House of Representatives to obtain a repeal of the law, but their efforts were unsuccessful. The fact that a former Legislature had passed upon and enacted the law, added to the adverse influence of the county commissioners, and of interested parties, prevented the desired repeal being obtained. The expense of the hearing were to be divided between Somerville and Medford equally. The amount to be paid by Somerville is $105.85 as particularly appears by the accounts thereto annexed. The committee therefore requests that the following order

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may be passed merely
Ordered that the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to pay the sum of $105.85 upon the receipt of the Committee formerly appointed by the City Council to obtain a repeal of the Mystic bridge act for the purpose of paying the balance of bills due on account of said matter

Account of expenses attending Mystic Bridge Hearing before the Legislature

Bill annexed of Boston Hotel Coach Co	$48.00
Officers fee for service of annexed subpoena	2.70
Ch Lawrence bill for measuring distances	5.00
Amos R Binney's bill as surveyor v Petition	100.00
Bill for dinner at the view by the Committee, and counting teams coming from Stoneham	109.50
	$265.20
Deduct the amount paid by Mr Esther Stevens namely 1/3 of expense of carriages and dinner	53.50
amount to be paid by Somerville v Medford	211.70
Deduct 1/2 of $211.70 paid by Medford	105.85
Leaves for Somerville to pay	$105.85

Report accepted and so much as refers to the payment of the costs, was referred to the auditor and Committee on accounts and sent down for concurrence Concurred in

Report of Committee on Claims

Report of Committee

The Committee on Claims to whom was referred the claim of the City against the Estate of Benjamin Randall report that the amount allowed by the Commissioner in Insolvency was $3.114.37. and that the percentage of dividend on the estate payable by the Administrator, make the sum payable to the City, to be $3.640.50 leaving the amount to be paid by the sureties on said Randall's Bond as Collector of Taxes to be $933.87

Benj. Randall estate

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and recommend that the Mayor be authorized to cancel said bond upon the payment to the City Treasurer of said sum of $3614. 87.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 29 Concurred in

Alderman Quinn offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Ordered

That the action of the Sewer Committee in employing a Superintendant of Sewers at One hundred and twenty dollars per month be ratified and confirmed by this Board

Order adopted and the action of the Committee ratified.

Superintendent of Sewers

Alderman Shuber offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Ordered

That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to cancel the Bond given by the late Benjamin Randall Collector of Taxes of the Town of Somerville upon the payment to the City Treasurer, the sum of Thirty six hundred and fourteen dollars and thirty seven cents, being the amount due the City as allowed by the Commissioner of Insolvency

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 29 Concurred in

Benj. Randall's estate

Alderman Shuber offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Watering the Streets be and are hereby authorized to contract with such party and on such terms for the watering of certain streets in the City as in their judgment is for the best interests of the City, the amount contracted to be paid

Watering streets

May 25, 1872.

for said purpose, to be charged to Miscellaneous account, and the amount to be received from the abutters on the streets so matched, to be passed to the credit of the same account

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council May 29 concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Ordered
That it be proposed to the Common Council to meet this Board in joint Convention on Saturday evening next June first at eight o'clock for the purpose of filling the vacancy in the Board of Overseers of Poor occasioned by the death of Abram Welch.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 29. concurred in

Alderman Parker offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Ordered
That all permits authorised by the Mayor or by any member of this board, to encumber any portion of the street by parties intending to rent or repair any Building abutting on the street, shall be issued by the City Clerk
Order adopted

Permits to encumber streets

Report of Committee appointed to draft resolutions upon the death of Abram Welch

The Committee appointed by the Board of Aldermen to prepare resolutions expressive of the sorrow occasioned by the death of Abram Welch Esq. were joined by a committee of three appointed by the Common Council at a special meeting of that branch held on the 17th instant and having attended to the duty assigned them.

May 25, 1872.

respectfully submit the following

Resolutions upon death of Abram Welch

Whereas. In his infinite wisdom, God has suddenly removed from us by death, our esteemed friend and fellow citizen Abram Welch by therefore

Resolved, That in this Dispensation of Providence, we recognise the call of the Divine Master, to which we all must sooner or later respond

Resolved That by his decease, the community is deprived of a true and faithful public officer, whose death creates a void, that cannot be readily filled

Resolved, That by strict integrity and honesty of purpose, in all his acts whether public or private, he has furnished an example, that all may well admire and strive to emulate

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with those connected with him by ties of relationship, in this their interval of sorrow, but find consolation in the thought, that what is loss to them and us is gain to him.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the bereaved family

Clark Bennett
William G. Fisher — C. P. Curtis
C. D. Conant — Walter S. Barnes

Somerville May 21. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872.
Report accepted Resolves passed
and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council May 29 Concurred in

May 25, 1872.

A hearing in the matter of constructing a sewer in Waverly Washington and Franklin Street was held in accordance with the following order.

Hearing for sewer in Waverly Franklin & Washington streets

——— Copy of Order. ———

In Board of Aldermen May 18. 1872.

Ordered That due notice be given by publication in the Boston Daily Globe that this Board will on Saturday May the 25th, at the Aldermen's room in the City Hall, at 7.30 P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a sewer in Waverly, Washington, and Franklin Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof upon all persons who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby, and persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard. Attest Charles E Gilman Clerk

——— Return of City Clerk ———

I hereby certify that I caused a notice of which the above is a copy to be published three times namely May 22, 24, 25th 1872, in the Boston Daily Globe. That I served a copy of said notice upon the Boston and Lowell Rail Road Corporation by delivering the same in hand to one of the officers of said Corporation, upon the Massachusetts General Hospital and its Trustees by causing the same to be delivered by Melville C Parkhurst Constable of Somerville to an officer of said Hospital and upon Mr J Stearns by sending to him by mail notice prepaid a copy of the same.

——— Attest Charles E Gilman City Clerk ———

The Order and the return thereon having been read a communication from the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital in reference to the same was read, and no person appearing the hearing was closed

May 25, 1872.

Alderman Pines offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen May 25. 1872
Whereas it appears to this board to be necessary for the public convenience and the public health, that a common sewer be constructed in Franklin Street from the pit holes in Franklin Street to Washington Street, and in Washington to Waverly Street and in Waverly Street. And that public notice of the intention of this Board to construct said sewer has been given. It is hereby Ordered that the Committee on sewers be and they hereby are authorised and instructed to construct a common sewer in said streets and to report a schedule of the expense thereof, and of the assessments of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this Board when said shall have been completed.
In Board of Aldermen Order adopted

Adjourned
Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
June 1. 1872

Mayor presiding
Aldermen Fisher Hall Pines, Hastings, Chase, Bennett, and Davis present

The reading of the record of the last meeting was dispensed with

Paper from Common Council
Petition of John Mullay and others in reference to watering Broadway was referred to the Special

June 1, 1872.

Committee on Watering Streets with full powers and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 1. concurred in

Watering of streets

Paper from the Common Council
Petition of C. P. Hemenway and others for the watering of Melrose, Franklin, Perkins, Myrtle, Paul, Lincoln and Pinckney streets, referred to the special Committee on watering streets with full powers was sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 1. Concurred in

Order from Common Council
Ordered That the Committee on Watering streets be instructed to collect in advance and pay into the Treasury one half the cost from the abutters on any street before authorizing the same to be watered
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 1. Concurred in

Marshall St edgestones & gutters referred

The petition of J. R. Corcoran and others to have edge stones set and gutters paved in Marshall Street and referred to the Committee on Highways was sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 1. concurred in

The petition of J. A. Cummings and others that Milk Street Washington Street, and Union Square, be overlaid referred to the Special Committee on Watering streets with full powers, was sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 1. Concurred in

Paper from the Common Council
Report of Committee on Street Lights
The Committee on Street Lights to whom was referred the petition of Columbus Tyler for a lamp post in front of his estate on Central Street recommend that the petition

Lamp post Columbus Tyler

June 1, 1872

be granted, and that the Committee be instructed to locate and erect the same
Report accepted adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen passed & Concurred in

City Council in Convention for the purpose of filling a vacancy in the Board of Overseers of the Poor caused by the death of Abram Melch

Alderman Bennett Councilmen Decker and Bolton were appointed a committee to collect sort and count the votes.

Election of Overseer of Poor

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes	16
Necessary for a choice	9
Thomas Cunningham had	11
Horace Chapin "	5

Thomas Cunningham was declared elected
The Convention then dissolved

Franklin Ave Sewer referred

The petition of P. B. Hughes for sewer in Franklin Avenue was referred to Committee on sewers

Berkley Avn & Oxford streets extension referred

The petition of W P Benton for the extension of Berkley Avn and Oxford Street was referred to the Committee on highways with instructions to report and print forthwith for concurrence
In Common Council June 5 Concurred in

School street sewer referred

The petition of J. H. Ellis and others for sewer in School Street was referred to Committee on sewers

Bow street sewer referred

The petition of E. B. Mann and others for sewer in Bow Street was referred to Committee on sewers.

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Petition of North Merriam and Company for a license to maintain a Slaughter House on Medford Street was Referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th concurred in

Petition of North Merriam referred

Petition of Thomas Dodd in relation to a nuisance in Dane Street was referred to Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Dane street nuisance referred

The report of the Chief of Police was read and accepted

Report of Ch. of Police

Monthly report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Fire Department
In accordance with section fifth of the ordinance relating to the Fire Department I submit the following report.
During the month of May there has been neither a Fire or an alarm of fire consequently there has been no loss, the condition of the apparatus, and houses is generally speaking good, with the exception of the house occupied by Hose Company No. 9.
I respectfully recommend that the lock up in the rear of the building occupied by this Company be removed and the room enlarged.
I respectfully call the attention of the City Council to the importance of laying the Mystic Water Pipes in that part of the City lying North of the Fitchburg Rail Road this is a very important matter and I hope the recommendation will receive favorable consideration from the City Council
James M. Hopkins Chief Engineer

Report of Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

Report accepted, and so much as relates to water referred to the Water Board and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways June 1, 1872

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of R. C. Spring and others for the acceptance of Ragle Street, recommend that when the abutters grade said Street to conform to a plan made by the City Engineer that the same be laid out and accepted. Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report ✓ Ragle Street

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways having considered a demand of Hugh Carney for remuneration for damages occasioned to his premises, corner of Mill and Belmont Streets, by the overflow of water from said Belmont Street, recommend that he be paid the sum of One hundred and Twenty five dollars in full for all claims

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report ✓ Hugh Carney's claim

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways who were instructed to direct the City Engineer to examine the Street lines and report any encroachments upon the same, report that the labor which would be required to carry out this order to the letter, would require the constant employment of the Engineer for months to come, and inasmuch as other matters of immediate consequence demand nearly his entire time, this Committee would recommend that he be required to take cognizance of only such encroachments as the City Council may bring to his notice

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report ✓ Encroachments on highways

Report of Committee on Health — June 1, 1872.

On the petition of Mrs Flood for a license to keep three swine on Tremont Street. In a former report your Committee recommend that no license be granted to keep swine in this locality. The Committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw — Swine — Mrs Flood

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health

On the petition of the Tufts Brick Company for a license to keep eighteen hogs your Committee examined the premises and found many places in a filthy condition. The swine are kept in a pen from some distance from any dwelling house they appear quite clean but think that a large number of swine kept together would become a nuisance and would recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw — Swine — Tufts Brick Co

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health

On the petition of Alonzo Bowers for license to keep two pigs under his stable on Franklin Street. — Swine — Alonzo Bowers

Your Committee examined the premises and find that the pigs are kept in manure and quite clean, but as there is a dwelling house quite near and others but a short distance the Committee think it would not be for the interest of that neighborhood to have swine kept in their midst. They would therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health — June 1, 1872.

On the petitions of Michael Manning Norfolk Street, ~~Patrick~~ William Sylvanus Gardiner Court Jeremiah Corcoran James Buckley Saunders Street John Lennane Ward Street John Ryan Bleachery Court, S. C. Brown Oak Street for licenses to keep Goats, The Committee would recommend that licenses be granted these petitioners under the restriction that the Goats be kept on the owners premises and not allowed to be in the street at large — Goats — Licenses granted

Report accepted Adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health — Report Flemings nuisance on Franklin St

On the petition of Samuel Perry complaining of a vault on the premises of Fleming on Franklin Street Your Committee find that the privies on the premises have no vaults and have instructed the Chief of Police to serve notice on him to have proper vaults built
Report accepted Adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Petition of Amos Keyes and others that Forster Street be widened and accepted was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence — Forster street referred
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Alderman Chase offered the following Order — Order for Fire Dep't printing
In Board of Aldermen June 1. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Printing be authorized to print the Rules and regulations of the Fire Department and do such other printing as the Chief Engineer may require
Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

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Alderman Thurber offered the following order
Ordered
That the Committee on Public Property be and hereby are instructed to fit-up and prepare a room in the City Hall building forthwith for the use and accommodation of the Public Library
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5 Concurred in

Public Library

The matter of constructing sewer in Benedict Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full powers.

Benedict St. sewer referred

Reports of Geo. C. Parkhurst Agent of the Board of Health in relation to cases of contagious disease in Jeremiah Hinsley, Charles, Flanders, Mrs Barrett, Cynthia Litchfield, Charles Johnson, and John Strong
The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 5th Concurred in

Reports Agent of Bd of Health

Report of City Solicitor on Rules & Regulations of the Fire Department:
I transmit herewith the "Rules and Regulations of the Somerville Fire Department" which I have carefully examined, and which seem to be correct, provided the following additions are made, namely
Strike out all of section eleven after the word "secretary" and insert after such word the following words "and such other officers as they may require in accordance with their respective constitutions" This change seems necessary in order that the rules may be in accordance with the City Ordinances (No 18. Section 8. last paragraph) which allows the election of other officers than those specified, while the proposed rules restrict the number of officers to those named: furthermore the statutes and the ordinances give the companies the right to elect their own officers not subject to confirmation by the Board of

Rules of Fire Dep.t

Report of City Solicitor

June 1, 1872.

Engineer and Mayor and Aldermen (General Statute ch 24. Sec. 27. also Sec. 12. – City Ordinances No 18. Sec 5. last paragraph) The remedy in case of election of an incompetent man, is by refusal to have him belong to the Fire Department. I suggest in order to perfect the section the amendment of Article 12 by adding at the end thereof the words," and each member shall be entitled to receive as compensation only the balance due and remaining after making all such deductions" all of which is respectfully submitted

Selwin B. Bowman City Solicitor

Report accepted and the amendments as proposed adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 12. 1872 Concurred in

Rules and Regulations of the Somerville Fire Department

Fire Department

Rules and Regulations

Article First

The general horses of the Department shall not be used or occupied as places of general resort for loafers, and it shall be the duty of the permanent men to prevent unworthy persons from entering their respective houses. Where there are no permanent men employed the officer in command will see that this rule is enforced

Article Second

The first Engine or Hose Company arriving at a fire in the absence of an Engineer will proceed to the nearest Hydrant or place where a supply of water may be obtained and extend their hose in the direction of the fire all others to report to an Engineer

The Hook and Ladder company will take position as near the fire as circumstances will admit

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Article Third

all members of the several companies except those

firemen engaged on special duty will remain at or near the apparatus to which they are attached and any member of the department leaving duty without permission from the Engineer in command will be liable to be discharged

Article Fourth

At no time shall the Engineer and Firemen of a steam engine both be absent from the Engine House except when engaged in duties appertaining to the Fire Department and no permanent man shall leave his station of the City Police other than without permission from one of the Board of Engineers or leave the City without permission from the Chief Engineer and shall in either case provide a substitute satisfactory to the Engineer giving such permission

Article Fifth

No property shall be placed in the house used for the purposes of the Fire Department nor shall any be removed therefrom other than that furnished by the City except by the permission of the Board of Engineers.

Article Sixth

In case of the temporary absence from the City of any member of a fire company or inability to perform fire duty in consequence of sickness he shall provide a substitute possessing the qualifications requisite for active membership subject to the approval of the Foreman and Engineer of the district and the secretary of the company shall record the names of all substitutes so approved. Neglect to comply with this requirement for a period of ten days shall be sufficient cause for his discharge for neglect of duty.

Substitutes shall not be approved in any other than the above named cases nor shall said substitutes be employed

for more than one month without permission of the Board of Engineers, nor shall any person be employed who has been discharged or rejected from the Fire Department for cause.

Article Seventh

Members of the Board of Engineers, Steam Fire Engine Hose and Hook and Ladder Companies and those legally acting as substitutes in said companies shall at all times when on duty wear conspicuously placed on the left breast of the coat or vest the Fire Department Badge. Any Engineer or officer of a company will be respected and obeyed in the absence of the proper badge of office.

Every member on his appointment shall receive with his notice of appointment one of the badges referred to which badge shall not be loaned on any account whatever, and if lost the loser shall take proper measures to recover the same and failing to find it will be charged the sum of Five dollars. In all cases of discharge from the Department the badge and key shall accompany the application for said discharge and be forwarded with the same to the Chief Engineer.

Article Eight

Whenever after a fire one company shall find in their possession property belonging to another the permanent man having charge of the house shall take measures to have the same properly returned.

Article Ninth

The use of vulgar or profane language or loud talk or any indecent or disorderly conduct in or about the several houses occupied by the Fire Department or going to or returning from a fire is strictly prohibited.

Article Tenth

The Enginemen shall under the direction of the Board of Engineers have the care of the engine house and all the property therein belonging to the city. He shall be held responsible for the care and good order of the engine and see that it is at all times in condition for immediate use. He shall be accountable for the proper performance of all duties required of the Firemen and Drivers, and in case of any neglect on their part shall report the same to the Chief Engineer

Article Eleventh

Each Engine, Hose and Hook and Ladder Company shall have for officers a Foreman an Assistant Foreman and a Secretary and such other officers as they may require in accordance with their respective constitutions

Article Twelfth

For every absence from a fire or alarm of fire there shall be deducted from the pay of the absent member the sum of fifty cents which amount so deducted shall be paid at the end of each quarter to the Treasurer of the company to which such member shall belong; said money to be used to pay the incidental expenses of the company and each member shall be entitled to receive as compensation only the balance due and remaining after making all such deductions

Article Thirteenth

All duties required of the officers or members of the Department not specially alluded to in these rules shall be covered by general or special orders issued and signed by the Chief Engineer and Secretary of the Board of Engineers

Article Fourteenth

All former rules or ~~[illegible]~~ orders issued for the government of the Somerville Fire Department inconsistent with these regulations are hereby repealed

Adopted by the Board of Engineers at their meeting May 16. 1892

James N. Robins Chief Engineer
Henry L. Angier Secretary of Board of Engineers

Rules and Orders

Of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Rules and Orders of the Mayor & Aldermen

Article 1

Meetings, Quorum, Proceedings, &c.

Section 1. At all meetings of the Board whether by adjournment or by call of the Mayor, a majority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. City Charter, Section 2.

Section 2. The Mayor shall take the chair at the hour to which the Board may have adjourned, and shall call the members to order, and a quorum being present, shall cause the minutes of the preceding meeting to be read: in the absence of the Mayor, a chairman pro tempore shall be chosen.

He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Board by motion regularly seconded; and no other business shall be in order till the question on the appeal has been decided.

He shall declare all votes; but if any member doubts the vote, the Chair, without further debate upon the question, shall require the members voting in the affirmative and negative respectively to rise and stand until they are counted, and he shall declare the result; but no such declaration shall be made unless a quorum of the board has voted.

Section 3. When the Mayor shall desire to vacate the chair, he may call any member to it; but such substitution shall not continue beyond an adjournment.

Section 4. On all questions and motions, the Chair shall take the sense of the Board by yeas and nays, provided any two members present shall so require.

Section 5. The Chair shall propound all questions in the order in which they are proved, unless the subsequent motion shall be premorse in its nature; except that in naming sums and fixing times, the largest sum and the longest time shall be first put; and when a motion is made to refer any subject, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order:—

1. To a Standing Committee of the Board.
2. To a Select Committee of the Board.
3. To a Joint Standing Committee.
4. To a Joint Select Committee.

Section 6. After a motion is stated or read by the Chair, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Board, and shall be disposed of by vote; but the mover may withdraw it at any time before a decision or amendment, by unanimous consent.

Section 7. When a question is under debate, the Chair shall receive no motion, but to adjourn — to lay on the table — the previous question — to postpone to a day certain — to commit — to amend — or to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand arranged, and the first three shall be decided without debate.

He shall put the previous question in the following form: "Shall the main question now be put?" and all further amendments or debate of the main question shall be suspended, until the previous question be decided.

Section 8. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Chair shall name the member who is first to speak.

Article 2.

Rights and Duties of Members.

Section 1. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the chair; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personalities

Section 2. No member speaking shall be interrupted by any other, but by rising to a call to order, or for explanation.

Section 3. No member shall be permitted to vote on any question, or serve on any committee, where his private interest is immediately concerned, distinct from that of the public; and every member, except as above, who shall be in the Board when a question is put, shall vote, unless the Board for special reasons, excuse him.

Section 4. A question having been taken, it shall be in order for any member voting with the majority to move a reconsideration thereof, at the same meeting, or at the succeeding meeting, provided the subject of the vote shall not have passed out of the custody of the Board; but no more than one motion for the reconsideration of any vote shall be entertained.

Article 3.

Order of Business

Section 1. At every regular meeting of the Board the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the Journal.
2. Communications from ~~the~~ His Honor the Mayor
3. Papers from the Common Council
4. Communications and reports from City Officers
5. Presentation of Petitions, Memorials, & Remonstrances.
6. Reports of Committees

7. Unfinished business of preceding meetings
8. Motions, Orders, or Resolutions.
The above order of business shall not be departed from, except by order vote of a majority of the members of the Board present.

Section 2. All petitions, memorials, or remonstrances addressed to the Board shall be presented by the Chair, or by a member in his place, who shall explain the subject thereof; and they shall lie on the Table, to be taken up in the order in which they are presented, unless the Board shall otherwise direct.

Section 3. All petitions for appointments that are made upon nomination of the Mayor and confirmation by the Board, shall, when received, be referred to the Mayor without debate.

Section 4. No petition for a license to move a building through any public street, or square or place in the City shall be acted on, until the petitioner shall have filed with the City clerk a certificate in writing signed by one of the Aldermen of the ward in which the building is situated, giving the dimensions of the building, the names of the streets, squares, or places through which it is proposed to be moved, and the opinion of the Alderman signing the certificate, as to the feasibility of the proposed removal being made without injury to public or private property.

Article 4.

Committees

Section 1. There shall be appointed as soon after the organization of the Board as may be convenient Standing Committees as follows.

1. A Committee on Police to consist of the Mayor and Two Aldermen.

2. A Committee on Elections and Returns; to consist of Two Aldermen.

3. A Committee on Enrolled Ordinances and Resolutions; to consist of Two Aldermen.

4. A Committee on Drains and Sewers; to consist of Three Aldermen.

5. A Committee on Licenses to consist of Two Aldermen

6. Such Committees on the part of this Board, as may be required by the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council

Article 5

Ordinances, Orders, etc.

Section 1. Every Ordinance shall pass through the following stages before it shall be considered as having received the final action of this Board, viz:- First Reading; Second Reading; Passage to be enrolled; Passage to be Ordained; Every Joint resolution shall have two several readings before the question shall be taken on its final passage; and any ordinance may be rejected at either stage in its progress, but shall not pass through all its stages in one day;

Section 2. All orders and resolutions authorizing the levying of a tax or the expending of money shall have two several readings before they shall be finally passed; and no order or resolution authorizing a loan, shall have more than one reading on the same day; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the passage of an order at any meeting of the Board to authorize the printing of any document relating to the affairs of the City

Article 6

Duties of the Clerk

Section 1. On the absence of the Mayor, the Clerk (and in his absence, the senior member present) shall call the Board to order, and preside until a Chairman shall be chosen. The Clerk shall attend and keep the records of all meetings of the Board, shall also record the names of the members present and shall have the care and custody of the City records, and of all documents, maps, plans, and papers, respecting the care and custody of which no other provision is made

See City Charter, Section 15.

Article 7

Alteration, Repeals, or Suspension of Rules and Orders.

Section 1. No Standing rule or order of the Board shall be suspended, unless three fourths of the members present shall consent thereto; nor shall any rule or order be repealed or amended, without one days notice being given of the motion therefor, nor unless a majority of the whole Board shall concur therein.

Joint Rules and Orders

of the City Council

Joint Rules & Orders

Article 1.

Committees

Section 1. At the commencement of the municipal year the following joint Standing Committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer of each branch; provided, that either branch may determine to choose them by ballot, namely.

1. A Committee on Finance, to consist of the Mayor, two Aldermen, the President of and five members of the Common Council

2. A Committee on Accounts, to consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

3. A Committee on Public Property, to consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

4. A Committee on Water, to consist of two Aldermen, the President, and two members of the Common Council

5. A Committee on State Aid and Soldiers Relief to consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

6. A Committee on Gas and Street Lights, to consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

7. A Committee on Fire Department, to consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

8. A Committee on Highways, to consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

9. A Committee on Printing, To consist of one Alderman, and two members of the Common Council

10. A Committee on Burial Grounds, To consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

11. A Committee on Ordinances, To consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

12. A Committee on Claims, To consist of the Mayor, one Alderman, the President, and two members of the Common Council

13. A Committee on Health, To consist of two Aldermen, and three members of the Common Council

Section 2. On all joint Committees, of which it is provided that the Mayor shall be a member, in case of the non election, decease, inability, or absence of that officer, the Chairman of the Board of Aldermen shall act ex officio.

Section 3. The member of the Board of Aldermen first named on every joint Committee, of which the Mayor is not a member, shall be its chairman; and in his case of his resignation or inability, the other members of the same Board, in the order in which they are named, and after them the member of the Common Council first in order, shall call meetings of the Committee, and act as Chairman; and in case, from any reason, any joint Committee shall not have been assembled within three weeks from the reference of any matter to said Committee, the member of the Common Council first in order, shall call meetings of the Committee.

Section 4. Joint Standing Committees shall cause records to be kept of their proceedings, in books provided by the city for that purpose. The committee shall act by separate consultations, and no Report shall be received unless the subject thereof shall have

been considered in committee actually assembled.

Section 5. The chairman of any committee shall audit or approve any bill or account against the city for any supplies or services which shall not have been ordered or authorized by the Committee.

Section 6. No committee shall enter into any contract with, or purchase, or authorize the purchase of any articles of any of its members

Article 2

Ordinances, Orders, etc.

Section 1. All By laws passed by the City Council shall be termed "Ordinances" and the enacting style shall be: "Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Somerville."

Section 2. In all votes, when either or both branches of the City Council express any thing by way of command, the form of expression shall be "Ordered;" and when either or both branches express opinions, principles, facts, or purposes, the form shall be "Resolved."

Section 3. In every case of an amendment of an ordinance or joint order, or joint resolution, agreed to in one Board, and disagreed to by the other, a conference may be had at the request of either. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch of the City Council, representing its vote, and the committee appointed for the purpose, shall meet as soon as convenient, state the views of their respective Boards for and against the amendment, and confer freely thereon. Their report shall be made in writing to the branch asking the conference and may be either accepted or rejected; but no other action shall be had except through a new Committee of Conference.

Section 4. When either Board shall non concur, in any ordinance sent from the other, notice thereof shall be given by written message.

Section 5. Every Ordinance shall have as many readings in each Board as the rules thereof shall require; after which, the question shall be on passing the same to be enrolled, and when the same shall have passed to be enrolled, it shall be sent to the other Board for concurrence; and after its passage to be enrolled in concurrence, the same shall be enrolled by the Clerk of the Common Council and examined by a committee of that Board; and on being found by said committee to be truly and correctly enrolled, the same shall be reported to the Common Council, when the question shall be on passing the same to be ordained; after its passage to be ordained, it shall be signed by the President, and sent to the other Board, where a like examination shall be made by the Committee on Enrollment of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, and the same proceeding thereon shall be had as in the Common Council; and when it shall have passed to be ordained in both branches, it shall be signed by the Mayor.

Section 6. An enrolled Ordinance shall be amended.

Section 7. No vote, by which a joint order or resolve or an Ordinance has been passed, in its final stage, shall be reconsidered in either Board, after the same has been finally acted upon in the other Board, unless a motion for reconsideration be made, or notice thereof be given, at the same meeting at which the vote on its final stage be passed.

Section. 8. After the annual order of appropriations shall have been passed, no subsequent expenditure shall be authorized for any object, unless provision for the same shall be made by special transfer from some of the appropriations contained in the annual order, or by expressly creating therein a city debt; in the latter of which cases, the order shall not be passed, unless a majority of the whole number of each branch of the City Council shall vote in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, provided that any unappropriated funds in the City Treasury may be appropriated by a joint order of the City Council, after the annual order of appropriations shall have passed

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Section. 9. All reports and other papers submitted to the City Council, shall be written in a fair hand, and no report or endorsement of any kind shall be made on the reports, memorials, or other papers referred to committees of either branch, while in their possession. And the clerks shall make copies of any papers to be reported by committees, at the request of the respective chairman thereof.

Section. 10. Ordinary messages between the two Boards may be transmitted by their respective messengers; but all messages, proposing or assenting to a convention of the two branches, shall be borne by some member of the Boards, to be designated by the chair. All messages of the two Boards shall be reduced to writing, by their respective clerks

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Section. 11. When a convention of the two branches of the City Council has been agreed upon for any specific purpose, no other business shall be transacted in said convention, unless with the unanimous consent of all the members present.

Section 12. Either Board may propose to the other for its concurrence, a time to which both boards shall adjourn

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Article Third

Alteration, Repeal, or Suspension of Rules and Orders

Section. 1.

None of the foregoing Articles shall be suspended, altered or repealed, unless by a vote of two thirds of all the members of each Branch.

Meeting of the Board of Aldermen

June 8. 1872.

Aldermen Poor, Fuller, Hall, Gines, Hoskins, Chase, Bennett, and Davis present

In the absence of the Mayor Alderman Gines was elected chairman pro tem.

The record of last meeting was read and approved

The communication of Columbus Tyler remonstrating against any alteration in new Washington street at the present time was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council June 12. 1872 Concurred in

New Washington remonstrance referred

Order from Common Council
In Common Council June 5th. 1872.
Ordered
That the City Council accept the act passed by the Legislature of 1872. Chapter 303. entitled an act in relation to sidewalks in cities, approved May 3. 1872.
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 8 Concurred in

Sidewalk act accepted

The petition of Henry Kramer and others that edge stones be set, gutters paved, and brick sidewalks laid in Franklin Street from Flint Street to Broadway was referred to Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 12. 1872 Concurred in

Franklin St. H. Kramers petition for sidewalks &c referred

Report of Committee on Sewers

June 8, 1872.

School St. sewer report

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of J. H. Ellis and others for a sewer in School Street respectfully report that in the opinion of your committee public convenience and the public health require that a common sewer be constructed in said Street from Milk to Summer Street and recommend the passage of the following order.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a Common Sewer should be constructed in School Street between Milk and Summer Streets it is hereby ordered that the committee on Sewers be authorized and instructed to construct a common sewer in said Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof, and of the assessments of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this Board when said sewer shall have been completed.

The report was accepted and the order adopted

Report of Committee on Highways

Ellsworth St.

Somerville June 8.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Mehrin and Richardson and others for the acceptance of Ellsworth Street, recommend that said street be laid out and accepted

acceptance of recommended

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 12. Concurred in

Lowell St

opening of

Report of Committee on Highways

Report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Charles S. King and others for the opening of Lowell Street report that on account of the unimproved condition of the street and the consequent large outlay which would be required for its construction that it is inexpedient to lay out said street. Report accepted adopted sent down for concurrence In Common Council June 12 Concurred in

Alderman Poor offered the following order

Ordered That the report on petition of Melvin and Richardson and others in regard to laying out and accepting of Ellsworth Street be recommitted to the Committee on highways with instructions to proceed according to law, and lay out and accept said Ellsworth Street

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council June 12, 1872. Concurred in

Ellsworth St recommitted

Report of the Committee on Watering Streets

The committee on Watering Streets in accordance with the authority conferred upon them by the City Council, have closed a contract with Charles Linahan for the watering of such Streets as the City Council may order, at a cost of One thousand dollars per mile for Streets of fifty feet wide and five, and eight hundred, ~~dollars~~ and fifty dollars per mile for Streets less than fifty feet in width.

Water for the same to be furnished by the City

Report accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council June 12, 1872. Concurred in

Watering Streets Report of Committee

The petition of Albert Bennison and Aaron Sargent that edge stones, be set and the gutters paved on the Southerly side of Broadway from Marshall to Walnut Streets continuing in Walnut Street to premises of George Shelton was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 12, 1872. Concurred in

Broadway & Walnut Sts sidewalks gutters &c referred

The petition of William L. Burt and others for the extension of Quincy Street through land of George H. Shelland to Summer Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council June 12, 1872. Concurred in

Quincy St extension of referred

Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen June 8:

Ordered: By virtue of the authority conferred by chapter

June 8, 1872.

two hundred and ninety nine of the Statutes of the Commonwealth for the year eighteen hundred and seventy two, with reference to a complete drainage of, and to prevent and abate nuisances and to preserve the public health in the City, a grade is hereby established in this city not less than thirteen feet above mean low water, and no person shall construct any cellar or basement cellar of any dwelling house or other building below said grade, or use or occupy any such cellar hereafter constructed below said grade unless licensed so to do as prescribed in said chapter.

City Grade ✓

The order was adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 12. 1872. Concurred in

Alderman Fox offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen June 8. 1872.
Ordered

That the order in regard to the establishment of a grade in this City and the three first sections of the 299th chapter of the acts of 1872. be published for three successive weeks in the Somerville Journal
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 12. 1872. Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen June 8. 1872.
Ordered

That the Mayor, City Solicitor, and President of the Common Council be added to the committee on Health to attend the hearing before the Board of Commissioners upon the Millers River nuisance so called. To attend said Commissioners in their examinations of the premises and to do all that they may be thought necessary to bring this gigantic nuisance in all its proportions fully before said Commissioners. Adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 12. 1872. Concurred in

Millers River hearing ✓

addition to Committee

Commenced

June 8, 1872

Alderman Poor offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen June 8. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Highways be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to establish grades for sidewalks, set edgestones, pave gutters with stones and sidewalks with brick or stone, in such streets as the City Council may deem expedient
The expense of said grading, edge stones and paving to be paid one half by the abutters, and one half by the City.
And the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized and instructed to borrow from time to time not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to be paid in equal annual installments which shall extend over a period of not less than ten years; and for the payment of said loan there shall be raised by taxation annually, such portion thereof as shall annually become due

Appropriation for sidewalks edgestones gutters &c

The question of adopting the order was taken by Yeas & Nays with the following result viz:
Yea Aldermen Chase, Davis, Furber, Glines, Hall Hoskins and Poor ——— Nay Alderman Bennett. 7 in the affirmative 1 in the negative ———
and the order was adopted ———

On motion of Alderman Furber all Rules and Orders were suspended that the above order might take its second reading.
The question of passing the order to its second reading was taken by Yeas & Nays viz:
Yea Aldermen Chase, Davis, Furber, Glines Hall Hoskins and Poor ——— Nay Alderman Bennett
Seven in the affirmative, One in the negative — and the order was passed to its second reading

On motion of Alderman Furber all rules and orders were suspended that the above order appropriating money might take its final passage

June 8, 1872.

The final passage of the order was taken by yea & Nay viz.
Yea Aldermen Chase, Davis, Fisher, Gleim, Hall, Haskins
and Poor ——— Nay Alderman Bennett.
The order having been passed to its final passage was
sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council June 12. Under the suspension of Rules & orders
passed two readings and its final passage
Alderman Fisher offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen June 8. 1872.
Ordered ———
That it is understood that the order passed this
day appropriating One hundred Thousand dollars
for sidewalks is in place of and to supersede a former
order passed April 27th last intended for the same
purpose
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 12. 1872 Concurred Dis

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Board of Aldermen

June 15. 1872.

Full board present

The Mayor being absent
Alderman Haskins was elected Chairman pro tem

Record of last meeting read and approved

Order from The Common Council
In Common Council June 13. 1872
Ordered
Whereas the sum of two thousand dollars has been appropriated for the grading of the Public Park the Committee on Public Property are hereby instructed to proceed at once with the grading of the Park around the new High School, Steamer Engine House and City Hall. Public Park grading
Order adopted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.
Amended by referring to the Committee on Public Property with full powers, and sent down for concurrence In Common Council June 19 concurred in

The petition of Peter Gordon in reference to filling in front of his estate on Mystic Avenue was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council June 19. Concurred in Peter Gordon claim Mystic Ave

The petition of Charles Newhall Jr and others that edge stones be set and brick sidewalks laid on Rockland Street and Beacon Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council concurred in Petition of Chas. Newhall referred

June 15, 1872.

A petition was received from the Police Officers asking for a vacation of fourteen days. Police vacation

On motion of Alderman Chase voted that the prayer of the petition be granted.

To the Honorable, the City Council of the City of Somerville

Your petitioner respectfully represents that it would conduce to the public health and convenience to raise the grade of the lands in said city, lying between Broadway, Temple Street, Mystic Avenue, and what was formerly the Convent Grounds, and he therefore prays that the grade of such lands may accordingly be raised, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 299 of the acts of 1872 in such case made and provided.

Somerville July 15. 1872. J. P. Carlton

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council June 19. Concurred in

Raising grades in Broadway district.

The petition of J. P. Tabor and others in relation to a nuisance caused by Jesse Simpson, was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Nuisance Jesse Simpson referred

The petition of R. P. Vinal for brick sidewalk around his estate corner of Union Square and Mystic Avenue was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council June 19. Concurred in

Petition of R. A. Vinal for sidewalk in Union Square referred

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Nathaniel Morrison, Mather E. Graves, Alexander H. Weld were drawn as jurors to the Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the fourth Monday in June

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Report of Committee on Highways June 15, 1872

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the laying out and grading of Mount Vernon Street, recommend the adoption of a grade for said street as shown upon a plan made by the City Engineer, and that the street be laid out and accepted whenever the abutters shall pay into the Treasury of the City for the cost of grading said street the sum of five hundred dollars; provided no claim shall be made upon the City for land damages.

Mt. Vernon St.

report of committee

Report accepted recommendations adopted and sent down for concurrence In Common Council June 19 Concurred in

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Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of M. Conant and others for the setting of edge stones and the paving of gutters in Marshall street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Marshall St. Edgestones

report of committee

Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence Concurred in

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Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Trabilli and others for the laying out of Hamlet street, report that said street not being of the requisite width, and also on account of the difference in attitude between Boston Street (an unaccepted way) and the contemplated southwesterly terminus of said Hamlet street at Boston street, that it is inexpedient to lay out the street; and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Hamlet St. laying out

report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Sewers

June 15, 1872.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of C. C. Mann and others for a sewer in Bow Street respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted and adopted

Bow street Sewer

report of committee

Report of Committee on Sewers

In Board of Aldermen June 15, 1872.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of J. Manning and others for a sewer in Medford Street report that at a hearing given for the purpose before your Committee all parties in interest were fully heard in reference thereto, your Committee were unanimous in the opinion that it was inexpedient to construct a sewer as petitioned for at this time and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Report accepted and adopted

Medford street Sewer

report of committee

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry F. Hoenig for a sewer in South Street respectfully report that South Street is a private way and not likely soon to become a public street, but there seems to be a pressing necessity for a sewer in that portion of the street between Hoenigs estate and Medford Street; and we recommend that a sewer be laid in that portion of the street, providing all the abutters sign a release to the City for any claim for land damages in consequence of laying and maintaining a sewer in said street

Report accepted and adopted

South street Sewer

report of committee

Report of Committee on Health

On the petition of North Merriam and Company for a license to maintain a slaughter house on Medford street, having been referred to the Committee on Health the Committee find that at this establishment there are

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slaughtered from five hundred hogs daily and the water used in scalding, and cleaning, combined with more or less blood all of which finds its way into the creek;
The hogs are brought there in the cars in which they are closely confined and when taken out the smell is very offensive, the hogs which have died in the cars are all placed in a large boiler and tried out. The blood and offall is put into heating and dried to a powder and the smell arising from this heated mass is at times very offensive, all these things combined cannot otherwise than be a great nuisance and detrimental to the health of the inhabitants in that neighborhood,
It is the opinion of the Committee that an establishment of this kind should not exist in our midst and they would recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw
The report was accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
Concurred in

North Brighton slaughter House

report of committee

Report of Committee on Health

On the petition of Thomas H Baddy and others in relation to stagnant water on Beacon Street near Sacramento Street.

The Committee on Health examined the locality referred to and found there was quite an amount of water on both sides of the street, and in the immediate vicinity
It did not appear to be in a filthy state but much the same as it has been for many years Your Committee do not think that this matter comes within their province and would recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Sewers.
Report accepted, adopted and so referred, and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council June 19, Concurred in

Nuisance stagnant water on Beacon St

report of committee

Alderman Glines offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.

Whereas it appears to this Board that the public health requires a sewer in that portion of South Street lying easterly of the estate of Henry F. Hoenig in said street, it is hereby ordered that the sewer Committee be instructed, and they are hereby ordered to construct a Sewer in that portion of said Street, and to report a Schedule of the expense thereof and of the assessments in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this board when said sewer shall have been completed

Order Adopted

South street Sewer Order

Alderman Glines offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.

Whereas, it appears to this board to be necessary for the public convenience and the Public Health, that a sewer be constructed in Bow Street between Chick and Summer Streets, It is hereby Ordered that the Committee on Sewers be and they hereby are authorised and instructed to construct a Sewer in said street, and to report a Schedule of the expenses thereof, and of the assessments in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this board when said sewer shall have been completed

The Order was adopted

Bow street Sewer Order

Alderman Poor offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.

Ordered

That the Committee on Highways be instructed to get edge Stones and pave gutters and sidewalks in all streets and parts of streets, in which their reports from time to time to the City Council recommending that the same should be done, have been accepted

Order Adopted and sent down for Concurrence.

Concurred in

Edgestones and Gutters Order

Alderman Poor offered the following order -

In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Public Property be instructed to finish the basement under the City Hall according to a plan drawn by S. J. F. Thayer, if same can be done at a cost not exceeding ten thousand dollars, including heating apparatus.

City Hall basement order to finish

The question of adopting the order was taken by yeas and nays. viz.
Yes Aldermen Chase, Gaines, and Poor ____ 3
Nay Aldermen Bennett, Davis, Fisher and Hall ____ 4
Three in the affirmative four in the negative
The adoption of the order was refused

Alderman Fisher offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Public Property be and are hereby authorized to proceed at once to contract for heating the various rooms in the City Hall Building in such manner as they shall approve and not to exceed the sum of Two thousand dollars

City Hall heating order

Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council June 19 Concurred in

Alderman Chase offered the following Order
In Board of Aldermen June 15. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Public Property be and they are authorized to provide suitable apartments in the City Hall for police purposes, and also finish suitable apartments for the janitor, at a cost not exceeding seven thousand dollars

City Hall Police & janitors rooms Order

On motion of Alderman Fisher
The order was laid on the table

June 15, 1872.

The several orders from the County Commissioners in reference to a claim for damages by Michael Stanley, Person Davis, and Benjamin Woodward and wife, were referred to the City Solicitor and sent down for Concurrence In Common Council June 19. Concurred in

Claims
M. Stanley
P. Davis
Ben Woodward
referred

Adjourned

Charles E. Pelman
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
June 22. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Full board of Aldermen present

Record of last meeting read and approved

Paper from the Common Council
The communication between the City Treasurer and William S. Burt in relation to sewer assessment on Trial Avenue referred to the Committee on Claims and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen June 22 Concurred in

W. S. Burt's communication and assessment — Trial Ave. referred

The order from this branch in reference to heating the City Hall was returned from the Council non concurred in

City Hall heating — non concurred

The petition of George M. Wyatt and others for the abatement of a nuisance on Beacon Street was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council June 24 Concurred in

Nuisance Beacon St. referred

June 22, 1872

The petition of Moses Burton and others that the street running from Powell Street to Chester Street, in West Somerville, formerly known as Cottage Place, be now and hereafter known as Prescott Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

Cottage Pl. referred

In Common Council June 26 Concurred in

The petition of John B Perry for edge stones in front of his estate on Elm Street corner of Grove Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

Elm street Edgestones J. B. Perry referred

In Common Council June 26. Concurred in

The petition of John O'Brien and others for a sewer in Concord Avenue, and Springfield Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Concord Ave sewer referred

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of W. M. Sibley and others for the extension of Oxford Street, recommend that inasmuch as many of the abutters are opposed to the laying out of said Street, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Oxford street extension report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 26 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of R. A. Vinal that the sidewalk around his land corner of Union Square and Webster Avenue be paved with brick, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

Union Sq. sidewalk R. A. Vinal report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council June 26 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways — June 22, 1872

Broadway edgestones vs A. Kennison

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Albert Kennison and others for the setting of edge stones and paving of gutters in Broadway from Marshall Street to and continuing in Walnut Street recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and also recommend that edge stones be set and the gutters paved in Broadway from said Marshall street to edge stones already set in front of the estate of Isaac Kendall corner of Broadway and School Street.

report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 24 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways — Franklin street edgestones vs H. Kramer

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Henry Kramer and others for the setting of edgestones, and the paving of gutters and sidewalks on Franklin street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council June 26. Concurred in

State Aid — In re Whitemore referred

The petition of Maria J. Whitemore for State aid was referred to the City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council June 26 Concurred in

The bills of Crosman Johnson and George Sargent were referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council June 26 Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen June 22. 1872.

Whereas it appears on the reports of Committees that

June 22, 1872.

Sufficient accommodations are wanting for the Police and Fire Department of this City — Police & Fire Dept

Therefore Ordered that Mess Flinber & Chase from this board with three members from the Common Council to be appointed by that Board, constitute a Select Committee to consider the best means for providing for the requirements of these departments including location, the expediency of selling the City Stable lot with the buildings thereon at the Corner of Milk and Prospect Streets, with the probable cost of a suitable building for the aforesaid purposes, and report thereon as soon as practicable — accommodation — Committee appointed

On motion of Alderman Gines the order was amended by striking out the names of the Committee and placing the appointing power in the hands of the Mayor

The order as amended was adopted and Aldermen Chase and Flinber were appointed on the part of this branch and sent down for concurrence. The Common Council June 24 Concurred in and Councilmen Lord Howard & Bolton were appointed on the part of that branch.

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

June 29. 1872.

all the members of the board present
Mayor presiding

Record of last meeting read and approved

The communication from Judge Story in reference to the appointment of a constable for the Police Court was referred to the Committee on Police — Police Court constable referred

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The order of notice from County Commissioners in reference to the widening of Mill Street giving notice that said Commissioners will meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties at the Post office in Union Square, On Monday the 29th day of July next at nine o'clock in the forenoon was referred to Committee on widening Mill Street and sent down for Concurrence. — Mill street widening "hearing"

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Petition of Peter Scott for relief from Sewer assessments was referred to Committee on Sewers and City Solicitor — Claim. Peter Scott sewer asst referred

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Petition of C B Buckingham and others for a Sewer in Beacon Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers — Beacon St Sewer referred

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Petition of Caleb Buckman for leave to sell Fire works was rejected

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Petition of Francis J Oliver for damages on account of a defective sewer referred to Committee on Sewers — Claim F. L. Oliver referred

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The petition of Owen Sheridan and others for abatement of nuisance on South Street was referred to the Committee on Health sent down for Concurrence. Concurred in

June 29, 1872.

The petition of Helen F. Edleson for State aid was referred to Committee on State Aid and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

State Aid
H. F. Edleson
referred

Petition of Sabin Smith and others for edge stone and side walks in Flint-Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council July 2 Concurred in

Flint street
edgestones re
Sabin Smith
referred

Petition of John Fay and others for a sewer in South street was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

South street
sewer
referred

Paper from the Common Council
Petition of Nathan Wilson and others in reference to the change of the name of Cottage place referred to the Committee on Highways
In Board of Aldermen June 29. 1872
No reference concurred in

Cottage Pl.
change of name
referred

Alderman Poor offered the following order

City of Somerville

In the Board of Mayor and Aldermen June 29. 1872.

Sidewalks
Order

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen the public convenience requires that sidewalks should be graded and constructed, or partially constructed sidewalks completed, as hereinafter stated it is therefore hereby Ordered that due notice be given by publication once in the Somerville Journal, that this board will at their room in the City Hall, on Saturday the sixth day of July 1872. at eight o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of grading and constructing side walks

June 29. 1872.

Edgestones &c Order

or of completing partially constructed sidewalks and of assessing upon the abutters on such sidewalks in just proportions and per part according to law of the expense of the same in the following named streets of said city, and in the manner following namely;

Marshall St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Marshall Street from Broadway to Park Street to be covered with gravel and with edge stones.

Broadway

Sidewalk to be covered with gravel and with edge stones on the northwesterly side of Broadway from Isaac Mundalls estate to the corner of Walnut Street and thence on the northwesterly side of Walnut Street to George Sutton's estate.

Parks St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Park Street from Mill street to the Fitchburg railroad to be covered with brick, and with edgestones.

Franklin St.

Sidewalk on both sides of Franklin Street from Broadway to Flint Street to be covered with brick except where already covered with brick and with edgestones

Flint St.

Sidewalk on both sides of Flint Street from Franklin to Glen Streets to be covered with brick and with edgestones.

Sidewalks on both sides of Perkins Street from Charlestown City line to Franklin Street to be covered with bricks except where now covered with brick or concrete and with edge stones except where now set.

Washington St.

Sidewalk in front of R A Barnes Store on corner of Washington street and Webster avenue to be covered with brick

Webster Ave.

Sidewalk in front of Pythian Block and Warren Block on the corner of Bow and Walk street to be covered with brick

Union St.

The grades of all said sidewalks to conform substantially to grades of streets and gutters to be fixed any persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard Attest Charles E Gilmore City Clerk

June 29, 1872.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Alderman Poor offered the following report — Prescott St release of C. A. Morgan

The Committee on Highways recommend that the petition of Charles A Morgan to be released from his contract for the construction of Prescott Street be granted John R Poor Chairman of Committee.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen June 29. 1872

Ordered — Prescott St contract authorised

That the Committee on Highways be and they are hereby authorised to contract for the construction of Prescott Street in accordance with plans submitted by Board of Selectmen

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Alderman Hoskins offered the following order

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen June 29. 1872

Ordered — Street lights

That the Committee on Street Lights be and they are hereby authorised and directed to erect lamp posts in any place wherein their judgment the public convenience shall require provided the parties desiring the erection of any such lamp post shall before its erection pay into the Treasury of the city the sum of Thirty dollars therefor — Order to place

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

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Alderman Bennett offered the following Order

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen June 29. 1872.

By virtue and in pursuance of the authority conferred by Chapter Two hundred & ninety nine of the Statutes of the Commonwealth for the year 1872 it is hereby

Ordered

That with reference to a complete drainage of the lands named in this order so as to abate and prevent nuisance and to preserve the public health of the city, the several owners of lands lying within the territory in said city bounded as follows namely,

Southerly by the Cambridge line from the point where said Cambridge line intersects Medford Street, to the point where it intersects Prospect Street, Westerly by Prospect Street from the point where said Prospect Street intersects the Cambridge line to the point where it intersects Walk Street, Northeasterly by Walk Street from the point where said Walk Street intersects Prospect Street to the point where it intersects Medford Street, Easterly by Medford Street from the point where said Medford Street intersects Walk Street to the point where it intersects the Cambridge line.

The surface of which lands is below thirteen feet above mean low water, raise the grade of their said lands, filling up the same with good material to a grade not less than thirteen feet above mean low water and raise the grade of all private streets courts and ways upon their said lands filling up the same with good materials to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water, and in case any such owner fails to comply with this order within six months after service thereof as required by said Chapter 299. this board will forthwith proceed to so raise the grade of the lands and private streets, courts and ways the grade of which is hereby

City grader

Order

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ordered to be raised by such owner and collect the expense thereof and take such other proceedings in the premises as may be deemed expedient and proper all as provided by said Chapter 299. The City Engineer is ordered to furnish the proper grades of all public streets bordering upon any of the lands the grade of which is hereby ordered to be raised filling up such streets with good material to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water.
This order shall be served as required by said Chapter 299 and evidence of such service shall be preserved by the City Clerk. All expense incurred by the city under this order shall be charged to the appropriations for Incidental Expenses. Order adopted then reconsidered
Order adopted and referred to the Committee on Highways and Health and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council Concurred in the adoption concurred in its reference sent up. In Board of Aldermen Recorded concurred in the amendment by the Council

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of the construction of Highland Avenue report that a proposition to submit the question of betterments and damages to referees having been accepted by many of the abutters, and the Committee recommend as the arbitrator on the part of the City Leonard Hunting
On motion of Alderman Fuller The report was accepted and the mode of arbitration recommended by the Committee adopted, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 2 Concurred in

Alderman Poor offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen June 29. 1872.
Ordered

That the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized and directed in behalf of the City to sign and execute a certain agreement for arbitration between the city of Somerville and the abutters on the new extension of

Mayor authorized

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Highland Avenue, in regard to the amount of damage and benefit received by such abutters, said agreement being dated June 3, 1872 and submitted herewith to the Board

The order was adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Highland Ave agreement

Copy of Agreement between the City and the abutters on the extension of Highland Avenue

Agreement made this third day of June A.D. 1872, by and between the City of Somerville, a municipal corporation duly established by law, and of the County of Middlesex, party of the first part, and the several persons who have hereto subscribed their names, parties of the second part. Whereas a certain street or town way known as Highland Avenue, has been duly laid out and established in said Somerville, extending from Central Street to Elm Street. Now therefore, the parties whose land has been taken for the laying out of said street, do hereby mutually covenant and agree to refer and submit to three arbitrators to be appointed as hereinafter stated, the following matters, namely

To ascertain, determine and estimate the amount of damage sustained by the said parties of the second part severally, in their property by the laying out and construction of said street, and taking of their land therefor the said parties of the second part hereby severally releasing to said City the land so taken for the construction or laying out of said street from Central to Elm Street, as aforesaid and likewise to ascertain, adjudge and determine the value of the benefit and advantage received by any real estate of the said parties of the second part therefrom, beyond the general advantages to all real estate in the said City of Somerville, and to assess or award to

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To be paid a proportional share accordingly of the expense of laying out and constructing said street as aforesaid, upon said parties of the second part, provided however, that such assessment upon said parties shall not exceed one half the amount of such adjudged benefit and advantages and the award of said arbitrators or a majority of them shall be final. The said arbitrators are to be appointed as follows; One by the City Council of said City one by the parties of the second part, or in case such parties cannot agree upon such arbitrator then by a majority of the parties of the second part such appointment to be notified by them in writing, and the third arbitrator is to be appointed by the two thus first chosen.

In case any of said arbitrators for any cause is prevented from acting, new arbitrators shall be appointed in the manner above provided. In case either of the two parties to this agreement shall neglect for one month from the date hereof to appoint an arbitrator as above stated, then the arbitrator appointed by the other party may choose the second arbitrator and those two, the third, said arbitrators shall appoint a time and place of hearing of said parties giving each party at least seven days notice thereof, and if any party shall neglect to appear after such notice the arbitrators may proceed in his absence.

In case a majority cannot agree, a new board of arbitrators may be chosen to act as to all proceedings in the matter like the former board.

In testimony whereof the party of the first part by George O Brastow their Mayor, thereto duly authorized, have hereto set their corporate seal, and subscribed their corporate name, and the parties of the second part have hereto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

City of Somerville by George O Brastow Mayor

Prescott Davis, J H Brookhouse, L L Tower, N S Crocker, George H. Dickerman, Samuel Hudder, Henry B. Barrett, John R Pitman, Jr, H. P. Pitman, J. B. Prindle, Isaac Cordit, Samuel Malett, Forest Trefethen, Brick M. Co, L D Carlin, Trefethen Brick Co, Samuel Malett, Forest, Mary E Gurney for H L Gurney, N B Mansfield, Mary S Gibson Adams,

Alderman Pope offered the following order June 29. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen June 29. 1872.
Ordered

That Leonard Huntress of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex be and he hereby is appointed as one of the three arbitrators, to be appointed under and in accordance with a certain agreement for arbitration between the city of Somerville and the abutters on the new extension of Highland Ave said agreement being dated June 8. 1872. and said Huntress being hereby appointed, as the arbitrator to be chosen by the City of Somerville in accordance with said agreement

Highland Ave

Arbitrator appointed

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 2 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health

Horse Offal

An order having been passed authorising the Committee on Health to contract with some responsible person for the collection and ~~[illegible]~~ disposal of horse offal has been attended to. The committee advertised for proposals in the Boston Herald and Somerville Journal. There was but two applications handed in each of which were at two high a rate to meet the views of your Committee therefore they deemed it advisable to make further efforts, and after obtaining what information they could find have contracted with Charles O'Neil to remove all horse offal throughout the City whenever required three a week from the first day of May to the first of November and once a week during the remainder of the year. The contract is for two years at the rate of Three thousand and fifty dollars ($3,050) dollars per year payable quarterly.

report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health June 29, 1872

On the petition of Thomas Scott and others having been referred to the committee on Health relating to a Nuisance on an unaccepted Street leading from Dane Street, The Committee have examined the premises and found the nuisance to be caused by the overflowing of a cesspool. The owner of the building that caused this overflow has agreed to build a drain to connect with the Dane Street sewer, which would carry the surplus water, and remove the cause of the nuisance

Nuisance

Dane Street

report of committee

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Health

Nuisance

The Committee on Health have several times examined the Cattle Slaughtering establishment of John O'Brien situated in the rear of Mystic Avenue; They found it in a very filthy condition, the blood and filth runs into the upper bason of Mystic River and the stench arising from the rear of these buildings is very offensive; The Chief of Police has notified him to abate the nuisance but it has not been done and your Committee would recommend that a complaint be made to the State Board of Health to have the nuisance removed

John O'Brien

report of committee

Report accepted adopted sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council July 2 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Sewers

Springfield & Concord Ave Sewer

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of John O'Brien and others for a sewer in Concord Avenue and Springfield Street respectfully recommend that the petitioners be granted a hearing and recommend the passage of the accompanying order

report of committee

Ordered that due notice be given by publication in the Somerville Journal that this Board will on Saturday July 13 at 7½ o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Concord Avenue

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and Springfield Street both private ways on the petition of John O'Brien and others and of assessing the expense thereof upon all persons who may enter their particular drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby. Any persons making objections shall notify them and there be heard

The report was accepted and order adopted

Nuisance Beacon St.

Report of Committee on Sewers On the petition of Thomas McBrady and others in reference to stagnant water on Beacon Street having been considered by the committee on Health and by their report no nuisance was found to exist, and the petition having been referred to the Sewer Committee they have carefully examined the locality with reference to the drainage of that section of the City. Sure ground to be concerned of better drainage in that locality but until a proper system and plan is devised, and a proper authority, your Committee cannot recommend the laying of any sewers in that section, and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

report of committee

Report accepted and adopted

Prospect & Washington St. Sewer

Report of Committee on Sewers with assessment list and order.

report & assessment list

Your Committee respectfully report that a sewer has been constructed by Isaac B. Cushing Contractor, in Prospect and Washington Streets commencing in Prospect Street at the centre of Milk Street and continuing in that portion of Prospect Street between Milk and Washington Street a distance of 184 feet a circular brick sewer 24 inches in diameter thence in Washington Street 485 feet a brick sewer 20 inches in diameter, thence 408 feet 15 inch sewer thence 130 feet of 12 inch cement drain pipe the whole length being 1197 feet at a cost of $2868,74

Of the above expense your Committee recommend that the

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sum of $2,153.25 be assessed upon the abutters benefited, and that the City assume the balance $714.49.

Herewith is presented an assessment list and warrant, and your committee recommend that the same be ascertained and certified, and placed in the hands of the City Treasurer and Collector for collection in accordance therewith.

Copy of Assessment list on Prospect & Washington St.

Owners of Estates benefited	number feet	Valuation	Rate	Assessment
Benjamin F. Richer	2,500	$1,250.00	2 ½ pm	$32.50
Joseph H. Clark	5,000	2,500.00	"	65.00
Clark & Bennett	10,650	4,260.00	"	110.76
B F Allen	4,550	1,820.00	"	47.32
Hannah E French	25,300	10,120.00	"	263.12
Nathan Tufts	5,250	2,100.00	"	54.60
Mary E Hill	4,050	2,025.00	"	52.65
Nathan Tufts	6,507	2,602.80	"	67.67
W B Hidden	8,700	3,480.00	"	90.48
James Underwood Heirs	4,500	1,800.00	"	46.80
Nathan Tufts not including 100 feet on the corner of Medford St	16,800	6,720.00	"	174.72
John Dugan not including 50 feet on the corner of Medford Street	8,500	3,825.00	"	99.45
Benjamin F Allen	15,750	7,875.00	"	204.75
Thomas H Holt	11,300	5,650.00	"	146.90
H D Mather	26,850	13,425.00	"	349.05
O S Knapp	4,150	1,867.50	"	48.55
Joseph Clark	18,600	8,370.00	"	217.62
12 Prospect St. school lot	5,600	2,520.00	"	65.52
Engine House lot 27 feet on Prospect St	1,215	6,075.0	"	157.9
	85,772	$52,817.80	"	$2153.25

In Board of Aldermen June 29, 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of constructing the common sewer, within referred to amounting to $2,868.74 and after deducting the proportion thereof namely $715.59 to be paid by the City there remaining $2153.25 to be assessed upon persons benefited

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the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their Tenants or Lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and passed

The report was accepted the assessment list ascertained and certified and the order adopted.

Communication from Judge Story

To the Honorable the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville

Gentlemen

Being of opinion that the costs of criminal proceedings before the Police Court of Somerville may be reduced by the designation of one or more officers to attend the sittings of said Court and to serve such processes precepts and orders as may be committed to him or them. I request your Honorable Body to appoint one or more Constables for the purposes aforesaid agreeably to Section 14 of Chapter 216. of the statutes of the year 1862.

Isaac Story Justice of the Police Court Somerville

Referred to the Committee on Police

Police Court

Constable

The subject of furnishing the Police Court room with reasonable furniture was referred to the Committee on Public Property.

Police Court furnishing referred

Report of Committee on Health June 29, 1872.

On the petition of George H Hyatt and others complaining of a nuisance consisting of stagnant water on a lot of land on Beacon Street nearly opposite the residence of Mr Buckingham

Your Committee examined the premises and found report of them in a filthy condition and consider the place a nuisance. They would recommend that the nuisance be abated at once by having it filled with earth. They further find that this lot of land has been sold for the non-payment of taxes, and that Jerce Simpson was the purchaser. On calling upon him he says that he cannot obtain a title to the property until the expiration of two years, therefore refuses to fill it.

Your Committee would recommend that the Committee on Streets cause this Pond hole to be filled at the expense of whoever hereafter may become the owner.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in.

Alderman Gives offered the following order.

Ordered

That the Mayor of the City be and he hereby is authorised and directed in behalf of the City to sign and execute a certain agreement of arbitration dated June 1. 1872. between the City of Somerville and the Massachusetts General Hospital in relation to damages caused to the said Massachusetts General Hospital by the building of a sewer through a portion of their lands as stated in said agreement being herewith presented to the Board and ratified and confirmed.

Mass. Genl Hospital agreement

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 2. Concurred in

June 29, 1872.

Agreement made this first day of June A.D. 1872, between the Massachusetts General Hospital and the City of Somerville corporations duly established by law, and of the said Massachusetts General Hospital, hereby agrees that the city of Somerville, by its proper officers, may lay, make and maintain a main drain or common sewer through the lands of the said Massachusetts General Hospital in Somerville in the Ward of Middlesex, from the end of Waverly Street, so called, for a distance of about two hundred fifty six feet to the creek, all as shown and laid down upon a plan designated as a proposed ~~plan~~ Outlet for Washington Street Sewer, April 30, 1872, C.D. Child, City Engineer, to be kept on file with the Clerk of said Somerville, and that the said City of Somerville shall have the same rights as to laying, making, maintaining and repairing such main drain or common sewer, and as to the ownership thereof as if the said lands necessary for such drain or sewer had been taken for the said purpose by virtue of the statutes in such case made and provided.

The said Massachusetts General Hospital hereby waives all notice of the laying of said sewer as aforesaid, and agrees that it will be legally laid and established as a main drain or common sewer if laid as aforesaid.

And the said Massachusetts General Hospital and City of Somerville mutually agree to submit to three arbitrators, one to be chosen by each of said parties, and the third by the two thus first chosen, to determine the damages sustained by the said Massachusetts General Hospital in their property, by reason of the laying, making, or maintaining such main drain or common sewer, and price to be paid by said City of Somerville.

The award of said arbitrators a majority of the same is to be final, said matter is to be heard and determined

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by said arbitrators at any time after the expiration of two years from the date hereof unless the matter shall have been previously arranged by mutual agreement of said parties.

The damages above referred to, are to be assessed and determined as of the date of this agreement and said City agrees to pay said Hospital said damages so awarded by said arbitrators, forthwith after the making of said award with interest from this date.

In witness whereof the said parties by their duly authorized representatives have caused their corporate seals to be hereto attached and their corporate names to be hereto signed, the day and year first above written.

(Seal) City of Somerville
By George O. Brastow Mayor.

(Seal) The Massachusetts General Hospital
By Henry B. Rogers
Chairman of the Board
of Trustees

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital held June 28th 1872, it was Voted That the chairman be authorized to execute the foregoing Indenture in behalf of the Corporation and that the Seal (of the Board) be authorized to deliver the same, when he deems it expedient.

Attest Thomas B. Hale
Secretary Mass General Hospital

In Board of Aldermen June 29 1872.
Agreement ratified and confirmed and the Mayor instructed to sign the agreement and seal down for concurrence
Charles E. Gilman Clerk

In Common Council July 2. 1872. Concurred in
Solomon Davis Clerk

Contract

City of Somerville with Charles O'Neil

Agreement made this twenty sixth day of June A.D. 1872, by and between the City of Somerville a municipal corporation duly established by law and of the County of Middlesex, and Charles L. O'Neil of said Somerville

Offal Contract with Chas. O'Neil

Witness

That the said O'Neil hereby promises and agrees to and with the said City of Somerville to collect and gather throughout the whole of said City of Somerville and from all the houses therein, all manure and horse offal (the term horse offal as herein used not including ashes or other waste dirt of a house, but only what is generally known as horse offal) and that he will so collect and gather and remove the same at least three a week during the time from April 15th to October 15th of each year, and at least once a week during the time from October 15th to April 15th of each year, during which this agreement shall continue, and that he will collect, gather and remove said manure and horse offal in a proper manner and at reasonable hours and with suitable and proper teams so as not to cause any nuisance either in the removal or final disposition of the said offal.

And in consideration thereof, and in full payment therefor, the said City of Somerville hereby agrees to pay to the said O'Neil the sum of Three Thousand and Eight dollars yearly during the continuance of this agreement, payable to him quarterly in payments of 762.$ each, the first quarterly payment to be paid to him at the end of the first quarter from the commencement of this agreement.

This agreement shall commence and go into effect on the Twenty sixth day of June and shall continue for and during two years from the said Twenty sixth

day of June A. D. 1872.

In witness whereof the said City of Somerville by George O Brastow its Mayor, hereto duly authorised have hereto subscribed their corporate name, and set their corporate seal, and the said Charles ~~[illegible]~~ L. O Neil has hereto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

George O Brastow Mayor S.
Charles L O Neil S.

Know all men by these presents that we Charles L O Neil of Somerville in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts as principal, and Hugh Gallagher of Somerville aforesaid as surety, are holden and stand firmly bound unto the City of Somerville in the sum Nine thousand dollars, to the payment of which to the said City of Somerville or its successors we hereby jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors & administrators. The condition of this obligation is such that whereas the above bounden Charles L O Neil on the twenty sixth day of June A. D. 1872, entered into and made a written agreement with said City of Somerville duly signed and sealed wherein said O Neil contracts to collect, gather and remove all swill and house offal throughout the whole of said City at certain times therein specified during the continuance of said agreement.

Now if the above bounden Charles L O Neil shall well and truly perform all and singular the terms and conditions in said agreement contained during the continuance thereof then this obligation shall be void otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and virtue.

Charles L O Neil S.
Hugh Gallagher S.

Signed Sealed in presence of D. H. O Leary

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

July 6. 1872.

Full Board present

Mayor presiding

Record of last meeting read and approved

Paper from the Common Council
In Common Council July 2. 1872.
Ordered

That the Committee on Public Property be requested to procure and cause to be placed in position suitable wire screens for the windows of all the rooms on the second floor of the City Hall building, and also to provide clocks for the rooms occupied by the City Council

City Hall

wire screens

Order adopted, and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen July 6 Concurred in

Paper from the Common Council
City Solicitor's Report on Maria J. Whittemore's Petition for State aid

To the Honorable, The City Council of the City of Somerville

The undersigned, to whom was referred the petition of Maria J. Whittemore for State aid, reports that upon the facts as stated in her affidavit she is entitled to such State aid, to the amount as provided by law, but that she is not entitled to such aid prior to the date of her application

All of which is respectfully submitted

Solomon C. Brown
City Solicitor

State Aid

M. J. Whittemore

report

Report accepted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen July 6 concurred in

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Petition of Ira Gill and others for a Sewer in Warren Avenue was referred to the Committee on Sewers

Warren Ave Sewer referred

Petition of A D Carter for Sewer in Summer Street was referred to Committee on Sewers

Alderman Fletcher offered the following order Ordered

That the Committee who have in charge the matter of widening Milk Street be instructed to make an estimate of the cost of said widening to a width of seventy five feet eastward and seventy feet westward from Union Square and report in two weeks

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 10 Concurred in

Milk street widening, estimate of cost

The report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department was accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 10. Concurred in

The report of the Chief of Police was accepted

The Mayor was authorized to draw a warrant upon the Treasurer for eighty nine dollars and 50/100 in favor of Company B. 5th Regiment of Infantry for duty at May Inspection

Co. B. 5th Regt order to pay for May inspection

The petition of Thomas A Mullett and others in reference to the width of School Street from Highland Avenue to Broadway was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 10. 1872. Concurred in

School street width of referred

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The communication of Hon R Baxter in reference to the purchase of maps of the City was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 10 Concurred in

Dane street condition of referred

The petition of William Mills in reference to the condition of Dane Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 10 Concurred in

Claim John Quinlan referred

The petition of John Quinlan for damages on account of land taken for widening Milk Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 10 Concurred in

Alderman Hall offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen July 6. 1872.

Ordered

Slaughtering Houses Order

That the city solicitor be and he hereby is instructed and authorised in behalf of the City to do all things sign all papers in the name and on behalf of the City and take all proper and legal steps by virtue and in pursuance of Chapter 167 of the Statutes of the common wealth for the year 1871, or otherwise, to prevent all persons or corporations, now occupying or using any building or premises for carrying on therein or thereon the business of slaughtering cattle, sheep or other animals, or for melting or rendering establishments or for other noxious or offensive trades and occupations from enlarging or extending the same without first obtaining the written consent and permission of the Mayor and Aldermen in the manner provided by law.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 10 Concurred in

July 6, 1872.

Alderman Hall offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen July 6. 1872

Whereas in the city of Somerville buildings or premises are occupied or used by John O'Brien for carrying on the business of slaughtering cattle, swine or other animals and for a noisome or offensive trade, and — Nuisance

Whereas the public health and the public comfort and convenience require that said O'Brien should desist from carrying on the said business the same having become a nuisance source of filth, and cause of pestilence in said city — John O'Brien Order

Ordered,

That the mayor be and he hereby is authorized and instructed in the name and on behalf of the City of Somerville and in accordance with the law in such case made and provided, to petition the state board of health to order the said John O'Brien to desist and cease from further carrying on the said trade or occupation in the said buildings or premises, and to pass such other orders for removing and preventing said nuisance, as to them shall seem fit, and that the city solicitor be instructed to attend to the presenting and prosecuting said petition

In Board of Aldermen

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 10. 1872. Concurred in.

Alderman Fenber offered the following order.

Ordered

That the regular meetings of this Board after the meeting of the 13th instant be held on Monday evenings instead of Saturday evenings and that the next regular meeting after that of the 13th instant be held on Monday evening July 22. next. — Meetings on Monday evenings

Order adopted

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Alderman Fuller offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen July 6th 1872.
Ordered

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to procure a Hand Stamp for the purpose of affixing the City Seal to documents requiring the same
Order Adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 11th Concurred in

Alderman Dow offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen July 6. 1872.
Resolved that the public convenience requires that Sidewalks be graded and constructed, and partially constructed Sidewalks completed, as hereinafter stated
And notice of the intention of the Board to grade, construct and complete said sidewalks has been given
It is therefore hereby ordered that sidewalks be graded and constructed, and partially constructed sidewalks completed, in the following named streets of said City as hereinafter specified; and with or without edge stones, and covered with material, all as respectively hereinafter specified, to wit,

Edgestones Sidewalks &c

Order to lie

Marshall St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Marshall Street from Broadway to Pearl Street to be covered with gravel and with edgestones and to be of the width of eight feet,

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Broadway

Sidewalks on the Southwesterly side of Broadway from Isaac Kendall's estate to the corner of Walnut Street to be covered with gravel and with edgestones and to be of the width of about fifteen feet.

Walnut St.

Sidewalks on the Northwesterly side of Walnut Street from the corner of Broadway to George Shilton's estate to be covered with gravel and with edgestones and to be of the width of seven feet.

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Sidewalks on both sides of Park Street from Mill Street to the Fitchburg Railroad to be covered with brick and with edgestones and to be of the width of nine feet — Parks' St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Franklin Street from Broadway to Flint Street to be covered with brick, except where already covered with brick or concrete, and with edgestones, except where such edgestones are already set, the edgestones already set to be made to conform to the line of the sidewalk hereby ordered to be constructed, said sidewalk to be of the width of from seven to eight feet — Franklin St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Flint Street from Franklin to Green Street to be covered with brick, and with edgestones, and to be of the width of eight feet — Flint St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Perkins Street from Charlestown City line to Franklin Street to be covered with brick except where already covered with brick or concrete, and with edgestones, except where such edgestones are already set, the edgestones already set to be made to conform to the line of the sidewalks hereby ordered to be constructed, said sidewalks on Perkins Street to be of the width of from seven to eight feet — Perkins St.

Sidewalks in front of R. A. Vinal's store on corner of Washington Street and Webster Avenue forty six feet long on Washington Street, and nine feet nine inches wide, and eighty five feet long on Webster Avenue and nine feet wide, the sidewalks on both Washington Street and Webster Avenue to be covered with brick — Union Sq. R. A. Vinal

Sidewalk in front of Pythian Block and Warren Block on the corner of Bow and Mill Streets about one hundred seventy six feet long and of the width of fourteen feet and to be covered with brick — Union Sq. Pythian & Warren blocks

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The grades of all said sidewalks are to conform substantially to the grades of the streets; the gutters are to be paved; and all matters not therein particularly specified in regard to the construction of said sidewalks are to be determined by the Committee on highways, to whom full authority is hereby given for that purpose.

And that the Committee on highways be and they hereby are directed and authorised to grade, construct and complete said sidewalks as aforesaid, and in the manner aforesaid, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof, and of the assessments of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon the abutters upon such sidewalks, to this board when said sidewalks respectively shall have been completed.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council July 11. Concurred in

Fire Dep^t

E. P. Small was confirmed as member of Steam Fire Engine Company Number One and Charles Tennant as member of Fire Company Number Two — members confirmed

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A public hearing was held in reference to the construction of sidewalks on the following streets namely — Edgestone Sidewalks — hearing

Marshall Street from Broadway to Park Street;

Southwesterly side of Broadway from Isaac Kendall's estate to the corner of Walnut Street thence on Walnut Street to the estate of George Sutton

Park Street from Mill Street to the Fitchburg Railroad

Franklin Street from Broadway to Flint Street

Flint Street from Franklin to Glen

Perkins Street from Charlestown line to Franklin Street

Washington Street and Webster Avenue in front of the estate of R. P. Grinal

Union Square in front of Pythian & Warren Blocks

No person appearing the hearing was closed

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

July 13. 1872.

Full board present

Mayor presiding

Record of last meeting read and approved

Paper from the Common Council
Petition of C. H. Crane and others for edge stones and sidewalks on Webster Street from Franklin to Park Street received to Committee on highways, was passed in concurrence

Webster St Edgestones referred

Petition of C. L. Worcester for appointment as janitor of City Hall was referred to Committee on Police

Petition of Charles F. Sewall and others for edgestones and sidewalks in Cutter Street was referred to Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17 concurred in

Cutter St Edgestones referred

Report of Committee on highways
The committee on Highways to whom was referred the petitions of Franklin N. Rice and others and Henry H. Brown and others for the acceptance of Orchard Street recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17 concurred in

Orchard street report of committee

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petitions of Moses Burlen and others and Nathan Wilson and others for a change in the name of Cottage Place so called recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw said petition not being an accepted City highway

Cottage Place change of name report of committee

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Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John S Ladd, for the completion of Rowland Street, recommend that said Street be laid out and accepted
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17. Concurred in

Rowland St completion of report of committee

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Charles Newhall Jr and others for Edge Stones and sidewalks in Rowland and Beacon Streets, recommend that edgestones be set and gutters and sidewalks paved in Rowland Street, and on the northwesterly side of Beacon Street to Cambridge City line
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17. Concurred in

edgestones report

A petition was received from the Middlesex Horse Railroad Company praying that they may be granted a location for a railroad track from its present terminus in Union Square to a point at or near the junction of Bow Street and Warren Avenue

Alderman Bennett moved that the prayer of the petition be granted under the direction and supervision of the Committee on Highways.
Alderman Pope moved to amend by referring the petition to the Committee on Highways to examine and report
The amendment was adopted and the petition was so referred and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17. Concurred in

Middlesex H. R. R. Location in Union Sq

July 13, 1872.

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen July 13. 1872.
Ordered:

That the Committee on Highways consider the expediency of straightening the Westerly line of Broadway from a point nearly opposite Cross Street to a point near Temple Street; to estimate the probable land damages incidental to such straightening and report thereon

Broadway straightening of report

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17. concurred in

Report of the Committee on Health

The petition of P. P. Tabor and others complaining of Jesse Simpson carting offensive matter through our streets at hours in direct violation of the ordinances of the City, and at times spreading the same on his land having been referred to the Board of Health that Committee would respectfully report that they visited the premises of Mr. Simpson but found nothing on the land that would be considered offensive; On examining the place where he deposits the Slaughter house offal we found it partially covered with sand and a portion of it in a state of decomposition causing offensive odors

Nuisance Jesse Simpson

report of committee

The Committee gave the petitioners a hearing they stated that the wagons containing this filthy matter passed through our streets between the hours of six and seven o clock P. M. that sometimes it is very offensive so much so that they consider it a nuisance and dangerous to health;

The committee recommend that he be required to conform to the ordinances respecting filthy and offensive matter being carted through our streets, and that he be required to cover the offal with dirt instead of sand and not be permitted to spread the same upon his land until thoroughly decomposed and that the Chief of Police serve notice on said Jesse Simpson to conform to the requirements, Report accepted

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adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17 1872.

Report of Committee on Health — Nuisance

The committee on Health have examined the grease rendering establishment of Charles O'Neil, situated on the northerly side of the upper basin of Millers river, — Chas O. Neil

This place is in about the same condition that it has been for the past year. The Committee have previously reported that they considered this establishment a nuisance and would recommend that the City Solicitor be instructed to apply to the State Board of Health for its removal. — report of committee

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 17. Concurred in

Alderman Hall offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen July 13. 1872.
Whereas in the City of Somerville buildings or premises are occupied or used by Charles O'Neil for carrying on the business of rendering grease, and for a noisome or offensive trade, and
Whereas the public health and the public comfort and convenience require that said O'Neil should desist from carrying on the said business, the same having become a nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness in said city
Ordered
That the mayor be and he hereby is authorized and instructed in the name and on behalf of the City of Somerville and in accordance with the law in such case made and provided to petition the State Board of Health to order the said Charles O'Neil to desist and cease from further carrying on the said trade or occupation in the said buildings or premises, and preventing said nuisance, as to them shall seem fit and that the City solicitor be instructed to attend to the presenting and prosecuting said petition
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 17 concurred in

Report of Committee on Sewers on the petition of Peter Scott

Claim Peter Scott

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Peter Scott for relief in reference to the sale of his estate for sewer tax, respectfully report that they have consulted the City Solicitor, whose opinion is hereunto annexed and after giving the petitioner a careful hearing your Committee were unanimous in the opinion that the assessment was legally and properly made. The sewer account of that year having been settled and closed it is beyond the control of the sewer Committee and your Committee respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

report of committee

Report accepted adopted and the Committee discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

School street Sewer

Alderman Pour offered the following order

order to continue

Ordered That the Committee on Sewers be and are hereby authorised and instructed to continue the Sewer in School Street from its present terminus to such point on said School Street as will accomodate the City Hall.

Order adopted

Summer street Sewer

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of A.D. Carter for a Sewer in Summer Street respectfully report that in consequence of the long length of sewer required, we recommend that it be deferred until another season.

report of committee

The report was accepted and adopted.

Beacon street Sewer

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your Committee respectfully report on the petition of 178 Buckingham and others for a sewer in Beacon Street. There being no proper outlet for a sewer in that locality your committee think it inexpedient to lay a sewer as petitioned for the present season and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

report of committee

The report was accepted and adopted July 13, 1872.

Report of Committee on Police
In Board of Aldermen July 13. 1872.

Police

report of committee

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred the consideration of the question, as to the appointment of Constables for the Police court report as follows.
They recommend that two Constables be appointed for the police court, one with a salary of five hundred dollars per annum, and the other without salary. and that the said constable so appointed with a salary, be also City messenger, with an additional salary of five hundred dollars, as City messenger, and also janitor of the City hall without pay.
Report accepted and adopted, and so much of the report as relates to the salary of the city messenger was sent down for concurrence.
Concurred in that part of the report which relates to the salary City Mess'r.

The Mayor nominated James Mann Constable of the Police Court with a salary of five hundred dollars per annum also City Messenger with an additional salary of five hundred dollars per annum also janitor of the City Hall without compensation
The nomination was confirmed by the Aldermen

Melvill C. Parkhurst was nominated by the Mayor as Constable of the Police Court without compensation the nomination was confirmed

L. P. Young and Charles Smith were nominated by the Mayor Special Police Officers without compensation and were confirmed by the Aldermen

Report of Committee on Sewers

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Bonair St Sewer report & assessment list

Your committee respectfully report that a brick sewer has been constructed by H. C. Winslow in Bonair Street beginning at Cross Street and continuing in said street 1466 feet 15 inches in diameter costing therefor nine hundred dollars, of the above expense your committee recommend that the sum of 2194. Nine dollars be assessed upon the parties benefited, and that the city assume the balance herewith is presented an assessment list and warrant, and your committee recommend that the same be ascertained and certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith

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Copy of assessment list on Bonair Street

		frontage	valuation	rate	assessment
John C Tenney	—	4900 —	1225.00 —	3 4/100 —	$42.14
James Higgins	—	3000 —	1050.00 —	" —	36.12
Nahum Sibley & wife	—	6900 —	1725.00 —	" —	59.34
Melvin & Richardson	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
P Broillard & N Bowden	—	—	475.00 —	" —	16.34
Charles P Marsh	—	—	900.00 —	" —	3.76
D A Manson	—	6000 —	350.00 —	" —	12.04
Lewis Brothers	—	—	275.00 —	" —	9.46
Oliver Foster	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
George Abbott	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
George Foster	—	15000 —	3750.00 —	" —	129.00
E P Foster	—	9000 —	2250.00 —	" —	77.40
Sylvester Richardson	—	12000 —	3000.00 —	" —	103.20
Joseph Darling	—	3000 —	750.00 —	" —	25.80
John Mansfield	—	3000 —	750.00 —	" —	25.80
Edmund Bush	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
B A Patten	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
P Hartwell	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
D J Sawyer	—	6000 —	1500.00 —	" —	51.60
D J Sawyer	—	20000 —	5050.00 —	" —	173.72
George B Stevens	—	6700 —	1675.00 —	" —	57.62
Edgerly school lot	—	4272 —	1070.00 —	" —	36.80
O Brown Heirs	—	5400 —	1850.00 —	" —	46.44

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Nahum Sibley per wife	—	6000	1500.00	37½	561.60
James Smith	—	3600	900.00	"	30.96
H. H. Bond	—	3600	900.00	"	30.96
Martin Gill	—	10800	2700.00	"	92.88
George Foster	—	15680	3920.00	"	134.84
E. H. Foster	—	5246	1311.50	"	45.11
James Twigg	—	16200	4050.00	"	139.32
George C. Lincoln	—	5390	1347.50	"	46.35
Rev. C. Eckhard	—	1500	375.00	"	12.90
Charles Davis	—	3800	950.00	"	32.68
Thomas N. Rowlstone	—	3800	950.00	"	32.68
Phineas Davis	—	7700	1925.00	"	66.22
J. N. Hopkins	—	2000	500.00	"	17.20
D. S. Innerson	—	5700	1425.00	"	49.02
Samuel A. Potter	—	7700	1925.00	"	66.22
S. M. Fuller not including 100 feet at the corner of Walnut st		11600	2900.00	"	99.79
			$63.22$40.00	"	2174.91

In Board of Aldermen July 13. 1872.

Ordered

That the cost of constructing the Common Sewer, within referred to amounting to $2900 and after deducting the proportion thereof namely $725.09 to be paid by the city, there remaining $2174.91 to be assessed upon persons benefited the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and issued

The report was accepted the assessment ascertained and certified and the order adopted

Report of Committee on Sewers. July 13, 1872

Benedict St Sewer

report and assessment list

Your committee respectfully report that a brick sewer has been constructed by Edward A. Foster in Benedict Street commencing at the West side of Union Street and continuing a distance of 511 feet 15 inches in diameter costing two hundred and fifty dollars.

Of the above expense your committee recommend that the sum of seven hundred and eighty seven and 50/100 dollars be assessed upon the parties benefited, and that the city assume the balance.

Herewith is presented an assessment list and warrant and your committee recommend that the same be ascertained and certified and placed in the hands of the City Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith.

Assessment list on Benedict Street Sewer

Owners of Estates	number feet	Valuation	Rate	Assessment
Daniel Cummings	12,700	6350	.02	$127.00
James F Porter	7.800	3900	.02	78.00
C P Jenks	5.730	4365	.02	87.30
W R Dyer	5900	2950	.02	59.00
J H Holmes	4500	2250	.02	45.00
Charles S Burnell	4.300	2150	.02	43.00
C P Jenks	18.900	9450	.02	189.00
W B Fitz	3.700	1850	.02	37.00
T P Shedd	3.100	1550	.02	31.00
Stearns Heirs	10.000	5000	.02	100.00
	78.630	39.815		796.30

Alderman Pierce offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen July 13. 1872.

Ordered That the cost of constructing the common sewer within referred to, amounting to $1050 and after deducting the proportion thereof namely $262.50 to be paid by the city, the remaining $787.50, to be assessed upon persons benefited, the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same

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is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and issued

The report was accepted the assessment ascertained and certified and the order adopted.

A public hearing was held upon the petition of John O'Brien and others for sewers in Concord Avenue and Springfield Street in accordance with an order passed June 29, 1872.

No person appearing the hearing was closed

Adjourned to meet one week from next monday evening at 7½ o'Clock.

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman

Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

July 22. 1872.

Aldermen Hall Davis Poor Fuller Chase and Bennett present.

Mayor presiding

Record of last meeting read and approved

The Mayor nominated Cyrus B Clark as night-officer and P M Skinner as a regular day officer to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of C B Clark and was confirmed by the Aldermen — Police officers appointed

Papers from the Common Council

Petition of Thomas J Sawyer for abatement of nuisance on the premises of George Russell referred to the Committee on Health was passed in concurrence — Nuisance Geo. Russell referred

The petition of P M Harwood in reference to the lines of Oxford Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council July 24 Concurred in — Oxford street lines referred

The petition of Orrin Ray and others that edge stones be set and sidewalks paved with brick on Cutter Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council July 24 Concurred in — Cutter street Edgestones &c referred

The petition of Charles B Wild and others that edge stones be set and sidewalks paved with brick on Mount Vernon Street from Pearl Street to Broadways was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence — In Common Council July 22 Concurred in — Mt Vernon street Edgestones &c referred

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The petition of John Mullay and others for sewer in Myrtle Street was referred to Committee on Sewers

Myrtle street Sewer referred

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of J. H. Sawtell and others for the laying out and widening of Cottage Street, report that a portion of said street is in the City of Cambridge and recommend that when the whole street shall be constructed by the abutters to the width of 40 feet, that the portion in this City be laid out and accepted

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Cottage street laying out report of committee

Report of Committee on Highways

The Joint Standing Committees on Health and Highways to whom was referred an order of the City Council in relation to raising the grade of certain low lands in Ward 2, recommend the filling of that part of the territory included in the order, bounded as follows: beginning on Medford Street where it is intersected by the bed of the old Charles River Branch Rail Road, thence by said road bed to the Fitchburg Rail Road, thence by said Rail Road to Prospect Street, thence by said Prospect Street to Webster Avenue, thence by said Webster Avenue to Cambridge City line, thence by said line to Medford Street and thence by said Medford Street to the point of beginning, and that a survey be ordered and a plan made, and the City Engineer be authorized to employ assistants to

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Grade raising of in Ward 2 report of committee

Report of Committee on Highways July 22, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Wm L Beal and others for the extension of Quincy Street, report that it is inexpedient to extend said street and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Quincy street report of committee

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of C W Cantlon in relation to grade of land bounded by Broadway, Temple Street & Maple Avenue recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Grade raising of in Drake

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred a Report of the Board of Health in relation to a nuisance near Beacon Street, recommend that as this is not a highway matter, but strictly a subject for the Board of Health, and therefore that any expense attending the abatement of the nuisance will be chargable to their appropriation, that the Board of Health take such action in the matter as they may in their best judgment deem for the health of said locality

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Nuisance Beacon street report of committee

The petition of Patrick Rafferty for lines and grade of Mills Street in front of his estate was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Mills street grade P. Rafferty referred

Report of Committee on Highways

Ellsworth Ave laying out

To the City Council of the City of Somerville
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of the laying out of Ellsworth Avenue as described in the order hereto annexed, report as follows namely That they met and heard all persons and corporations interested, who claimed to be heard; having caused due notice thereof to be made and served, as appears by the order of notice and return thereto annexed: that they viewed the premises and caused the said measurements and boundaries of the said street or way to be marked out on the premises and such admeasurements and boundaries, the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, the names of all owners of land included therein and sustaining damage by the laying out of such street, with the amount of damages proper and reasonable to be awarded to each of said owners, as described and specified in the order herewith transmitted which is made a part of this report: That the Committee further report that the common convenience and necessity require that said street should be laid out as aforesaid and that the names hereto annexed are the names of all persons who claimed before the committee a hearing in relation to said matter: and said Committee report the accompanying Resolve and Order all of which is respectfully submitted. The report and accompanying Resolve was accepted and sent down for concurrence

report of committee & Order

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Alderman Rice offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council July 22. 1872.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that Ellsworth Avenue should be laid out from Cross Street to

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Nash Street as a public street or way of the said city as shown on a plan, and referred to and described in a Report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto said plan and report being deposited in the office of the City Clerk, it is therefore hereby ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law, and to be served by any constable of the City of Somerville, be given to Sarah J Prentiss, Thomas Lawrence, Mrs Ann Waters, Chas E Locke, George P. Cole, Warren Richardson, Mrs Elizabeth Girard, E. W. Higgins, Nathaniel Barber, Geo Chapin Frederick D Chase, William B Greenough -
and all other persons and corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the street before mentioned by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby, and that Monday, the 5th day of August A.D. 1872, at eight o'clock P.M. and the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council if any objections which may be made thereto
By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council _____
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways
City of Somerville

In Committee on Highways July 18, 1872.

(In the City Council of the City of Somerville)
The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the matter of the laying out of Otis Street, as described in the Order herein annexed, report as follows, namely:
That they met and heard all persons and corporations interested, who claimed to be heard, having caused due notice thereof

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To be made and served as appears by the order of notice and return thereto annexed: that they mended the premises and corrected the admeasurements and boundaries of the said street or way, to be marked out on the premises, and such admeasurements and boundaries, the manner in which such laying out should be completed, the names of all persons of land included therein and sustaining damage by the laying out of such street, with the amount of damage proper and reasonable to be awarded to each of said persons, as described and specified in the order, duly transmitted, which is made a part of this Report: That the committee further report that the common convenience and necessity require that said street should be laid out as aforesaid, and that the names hereto annexed are the names of all persons who claimed before the committee a hearing in relation to said matter and said committee report the accompanying Resolve and Order all of which is respectfully submitted

By order of the Committee

The report and accompanying Resolve was accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Alderman Tom offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council July 22 1872

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that the street should be laid out from Cross Street to a private way called Bama Street as a public street or way of the said city as shown on a plan, and referred to and described in a report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto, said plan and report being deposited in the office of the City Clerk, it is therefore hereby Ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law and to be served by any constable of the City of Somerville, be given to Charles

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A Dole, Henry Coffin, J M Spiller, Sabin M Smith, Charles H Bolgate, ~~Edward~~ Edgar Paine, Edward P Foster, George H P Foster, Joseph M Morton, Cornelius Durgin, M Doyle, Patrick McCarthy, James Budd, Abigail O'Brien et al, of Somerville and all other persons and corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the street hereinafter mentioned by taking a portion of said land and laying out the same as a public street, and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby, and that Monday the 5th day of August A. D. 1872, at eight o'clock P. M. and the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections which may be made thereto —

Otis Street laying out Order

By Order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways City of Somerville

In Committee on Highways — July 18. 1872.

In the City Council of the City of Somerville

The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the matter of the laying out of Everett Avenue as described in the Order hereto annexed, report as follows, namely

That they met and heard all persons and corporations interested, who claimed to be heard, having caused due notice thereof to be made and served, as appears by the order of notice and return thereto annexed: that they viewed the premises and caused the admeasurements and boundaries of the said street or way to be marked out on the premises and such admeasurements and boundaries, the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, the names of the owners of lands included therein and sustaining damages by the laying out of such street, with the

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laying out of

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amount of damage proper and reasonable to be awarded to each of said parties, are described and specified in the order, hereinbefore mentioned, which is made a part of this Report.

That the Committee further report that the common convenience and necessity require that said street should be laid out as aforesaid, and that the proceedings passed upon the claims of all persons who claimed before the Committee a hearing in relation to said matter.

And said Committee report the accompanying Resolve & Order, all of which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee.

The Report and accompanying Resolve was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 24 Concurred in.

Alderman Poor offered the following order

City of Somerville.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council July 22. 1872.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that Everett Avenue should be laid out from Broadway Street to a private way called Dana Street as a public street or way of the said City as shown on a plan and referred to and described in a report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto said plan and report being deposited in the office of the City Clerk, therefore be it ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law, and to be served by any Constable of the City of Somerville, be given to Catherine L. Spring, Samuel F. Hunt, Amanda M. Pingally, L. A. Grimes, C. F. Fox, Charles Carter, Mawson, Calvin Morton, Charles H. Porter, Byron A. Clark, Andrew M. Rubel, David F. Morton, Samuel D. Brown, Charles Fuller, James F. Fogg, W. D. Gadley, Henry T. Merrill, Nelson Junggist, E. E. Brackett, William

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Mr Brackett, Samuel Stilling, Charles Oaton & Son Charles
S Oaton and all other persons and corporations interested
That it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the
street before mentioned by taking a portion of their lands and
laying out the same as a public street and to estimate the
damages occasioned thereby, and that Monday the 5th day
of August A. D. 1872. at eight o'clock P.M. in the Common
Council Room, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the
time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and
Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections,
which may be made thereto

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common
Common Council

The order was adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Highland Ave
Agreement
with
A. R. Eastman

Agreement made this twenty eight day of June A. D. 1872.
by and between the City of Somerville, a municipal corporation duly established by law and of the County of Middlesex, party of the first part, and A F Eastman of said Somerville party of the second part Whereas a certain street or town way known as Highland Avenue has been duly laid out and established in said Somerville extending from Central Street to Elm Street Now therefore the party of the second part whose land has been taken for the laying out of said street does hereby covenant and agree to refer and submit to three arbitrators, to be appointed as hereinafter stated, the the following matter namely: to ascertain determine and estimate the amount of damage sustained by the said party of the second part in his property by the laying out and construction of said street and taking of his land therein, the said party of the second part hereby releasing to said City the land so taken for the construction or laying out of said street from Central to Elm Street aforesaid, and likewise to ascertain, adjudge and determine the value of the benefit and advantage received

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by any real estate of the said party of the second part therefrom, beyond the general advantage to all real estate in the said City of Somerville; and to assess or award to the said a proportional share accordingly, of the expense of laying out and constructing said street as aforesaid upon the said party of the second part, provided however that such assessment upon said party shall not exceed one half the amount of such adjudged benefit and advantage, and the award of said arbitrators or a majority of them shall be final. The said arbitrators are to be appointed as follows: One by the City Council of said City, one by the party of the second part, and the third arbitrator is to be appointed by the two thus first chosen.

In case any of said arbitrators for any cause is prevented from acting, new arbitrators shall be appointed in the manner above provided. In case either of the two parties to this agreement shall neglect for one month from the date hereof to appoint an arbitrator as above stated then the arbitrator so appointed by the other party may choose the second arbitrator, and thus two the third. Said arbitrators shall appoint a time and place of hearing of said parties, giving each party at least seven days notice thereof, and if either party shall neglect to appear after such notice the arbitrators may proceed in his absence.

In case a majority cannot agree, a new board of arbitrators may be chosen to act as to all proceedings in the matter like the former board.

In witness whereof the party of the first part by George O. Brastow their Mayor thereto duly authorized have hereto set their corporate seal and subscribed their corporate name, and the party of the second part has hereto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

City of Somerville by
George O. Brastow Mayor

Alex F. Eastman.

July 22. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 22. 1872.
Adopted and sent down for concurrence Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways recommend Leonard Hourigan as the arbitator on the part of the City in the matter of arbitration with William F. Eastman as to betterment and damages on Highland Extension to be assessed (To assess)

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 24. Concurred in

Highland Ave

Arbitrator

Alderman Fox offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen July 22. 1872.

Ordered:

That Leonard Hourigan of Scituate in the County of Middlesex be and he hereby is appointed as one of the three arbitrators to be appointed under and in accordance with a certain agreement for arbitration between the City of Somerville and W. F. Eastman in regard to the amount of damage and benefit received by said W. F. Eastman by reason of the laying out and establishment of the new extension of Highland Avenue, said agreement being dated June 28. 1872. and said Hourigan being hereby appointed as the arbitrator to be chosen by the City of Somerville in accordance with said agreement

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 24. Concurred in

Alderman Fox offered the following order:

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen July 22. 1872.

Ordered

That the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized and directed in behalf of the City to sign and execute a certain agreement

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for arbitration between the City of Somerville and A. F. Eastman of said Somerville, in regard to the amount of damage and benefit received by said A. F. Eastman by reason of the laying out and establishment of the new extension of Highland Avenue, said agreement being dated June 28th. 1872 and submitted herewith to the Board

Order adopted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Petition of Michael Sullivan for abatement of a nuisance on the Westerly side of Myrtle or Myrtle Street was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
Ordered:

That permission be granted to the Union Horse Rail Road Company to change the location of any turnout or turnouts on the line of the Horse Rail Road Track in Milk Street, under the direction of the Committee on Highways

Union H.R.R. change of turn outs

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 24 Concurred in

The Bonds of Jairus Mann as Constable were accepted and approved.

Report of Committee on widening Milk Street. The Special Committee on the widening of Milk Street having been instructed by a recent order of the City Council to make an estimate of the cost of widening said street to the width of seventy five feet eastward and seventy feet westward from Union Square have attended to that duty with the following results. It appears that this street is about two

Milk Street widening

report of committee

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and one tenth miles in length from the line of East Cambridge to the line of South Boston bridge; a plan of which has been prepared by the City Engineer, showing the location of buildings, on both sides along its entire length. Your Committee proceeded to estimate the damages to owners of buildings who would be required to remove the same to the rear of their premises, or to remove them from their lots altogether as the circumstances of the case might require, and computed the cost of such removal to be in the aggregate nineteen thousand dollars seven hundred and fifty dollars $19,750 ——

The Committee also estimated the value of the lands which it will be necessary to take in order to make this Street of the width proposed, without making much allowance for betterments to those estates resulting from this proposed improvement, and computed the aggregate cost of lands to be taken to be Twenty six Thousand six hundred and thirty dollars, making the total aggregate cost for lands and buildings, to be the sum of Eighty six thousand three hundred and eighty dollars. ——

The Committee had no very reliable data upon which to base estimates for the cost of labor and materials required for the construction of this proposed additional width, but supposed it would not vary much from fifteen thousand dollars, upon this point there was some difference of opinion among members of the Committee. ——

The City Engineer computes the amount of filling without pretension to accuracy, that will be required at eighteen thousand cubic yards which at a cost of fifty five cents per yard will amount to nine thousand and nine hundred dollars; should this street be widened as proposed your Committee do not think it will be necessary to construct and take this portion into its travelled limits immediately but this can be done from time to time as shall be found conducive to the best interests of the City. Respectfully submitted.

Alex Bonner, Daniel Chase, Thomas H Lord, Milton S. Barnes, Geo O Brastow, O.S. Knapp

Bring to Debt

July 22, 1872

Alderman Hall moved that the report be accepted and adopted, and the City Solicitor instructed to appear before the County Commissioners and urge the laying out of said Milk Street as proposed and as shown on plan of City Engineer provided the County will bear a reasonable part of the cost thereof

Alderman Pour moved to amend, on condition that the County bear one half the expense of the land damage

The amendment was rejected

The original motion was then passed and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council July 24, 1872.

Amended by inserting after City Engineer, Provided the County will bear one half the land damages rest of Order concurred in.

Adjourned.

Charles E. Gilman
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

July 29. 1872.

Aldermen Hall Davis Poor Pinder and Bennett present

Mayor presiding

Record of last meeting read and approved

Petition of Morgan Sweeney and others for abatement of a nuisance on the premises of Margaret Sweeney of Willow Avenue was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in

Drains & Nuisances referred

Petition of W P Webster and others that Edge Stones may be set and sidewalks paved upon that part of Glen Street between Pearl Street and Webster Street was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in

Glen Street Sidewalks referred

The petition of Micah C Kenney for compensation on account of the City filling an old water course was referred to the committee on Sewers.

Claims. Lester v. Mt. C. Kenney referred

Petition of W J Wright and others that edge stones be set and brick sidewalks laid on both sides of Myrtle Street and on Pearl Street from Mt Vernon to Franklin Street was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in

Myrtle & Pearl streets Sidewalks referred

July 29, 1872.

Petition of S. Henry Hadley and C. B. Wilson that edge stones be set and gutters paved in front of their estates on Myrtle Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in

Myrtle St Sidewalks referred

Petition of Charles H. Child and others that edge stones be set and brick sidewalks formed in Pearl street between Mount Vernon and Cross Street for that crossing be laid wherever other streets may cross or intersect said Pearl Street between the above named Mount Vernon and Cross Streets, was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in.

Pearl St Sidewalks referred

The petition of Geo. W. Fostin for leave to take up and alter sewer near the corner of Broadway and Franklin Street was referred to the committee on sewers with full powers.

Sewer Cor Broadway & Franklin alteration of referred

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Wm. R. Barry that the City purchase one hundred copies of a map of the City recommend that the City Council purchase no map of the City, until a more correct and complete map is made.

John R. Fox Chairman

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

City Maps

The petition of E. C. Morrison and others that edge stones be set gutters paved and side walks laid in front of their estates on Bow Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council July 31. Concurred in

Bow St Sidewalks

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Charles McCrone and others for edge stone and the paving of sidewalks in Mellen Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

John R. Poor Chairman

Report accepted, adopted, sent down for concurrence. In Common Council July 31. Concurred in.

Probst St. Sidewalks

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of J. B. Berry for edgestones in Elm Street recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

John R. Poor Chairman

Report accepted adopted, sent down for concurrence. Concurred in.

Elm St. Sidewalks

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways recommit report that the construction of Rush Street under the betterment law commenced by the Selectmen of the Town in 1878 has been completed in accordance with the plan, under the direction of this committee, to whom the matter was referred; and that the whole cost of said construction is eighteen hundred and seventy eight 13/100 dollars (1878.13) and the Committee recommend that the sum of one thousand and thirty three 33/100 dollars (1033.33) be assessed upon the abutters.

John R. Poor Chairman

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council July 31. Concurred in.

Rush St. completed

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Charles F. Sewall and another for edge stones and the paving of sidewalks in Cutler Street recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw as in the opinion of the Committee sidewalks should be constructed in such streets only, as a majority

Cutler St. Sidewalks

July 29, 1872.

of the abutters desired

John P. Rice Chairman

On motion of Alderman Fisher the report was recommitted to the same Committee for further consideration

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Alderman Rice offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen July 29, 1872. — Rush St

Ordered

Order for Assessments

That the Committee on Claims apportion the amount to be assessed upon the abutters on Rush Street in accordance with the Betterment law and the recommendations of the Committee on Highways so far as the same can be adopted

Alderman ~~Rice~~ Fisher moved to lay the report on the table the motion was rejected

Upon the question of adopting the order the vote was in the negative.

Alderman Hall offered the following order

City Grade

Ordered

Order for hearing

That due notice be given by publication three in the Somerville Journal that this Board will at their room in the City Hall on Monday, the 12th day of August 1872, at 8 o'clock P. M. take into consideration the expediency of raising the grade of all lands, to a grade not less than thirteen feet above mean low water, which, on motion the territory in this city bounded as follows; The territory between Temple street, Maple avenue, the convent grounds so called and Broadway; — The territory between Franklin Street, Washington Street, Trull Street, Cross Street and Oliver Street; The territory between Franklin Street, Washington street, Maple street, and the line of Oliver Street if extended through line from Franklin to Maple Street, such lands which are of a grade of less than said thirteen feet to be raised in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 299 of the acts of 1872.

Reconsidered See August 5. 1872 Page 319

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all persons making objection thereto notification and stow the Board.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council July 31 Concurred in

Adjourned
Charles E. Gilman Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
August 5. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Davis, Poor, Parker, Weiss, Chase and Bennett present

Record of last meeting read and approved

On motion of Alderman Poor the Rules and Orders in relation to the regular order of business was suspended

On motion of Alderman Poor all Rules and Orders were suspended in order to reconsider the action of the Board July 22 in reference to the laying out of Everett avenue, Ellsworth Avenue and Otis street and the order for grading Lord Lands

Everett Ave. Ellsworth Ave. Otis St. order for reconsideration

Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 5. 1872

Ordered

That the order of notice for a public hearing to be held this evening in regard to the laying out of Everett avenue Otis Street, and Ellsworth which order of notice was duly passed by the Board of Aldermen July 22 and by the Common Council July 24th be reconsidered,

reconsidered

August 5, 1872.

and that the three accompanying orders of notice be adopted

Order adopted and action of the board reconsidered and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 5. 1872.

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Concurred in

Alderman Poor offered the following Order of Notice

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council

August 5. 1872.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants requires that Otis Street should be laid out from Cross Street to a private way called Dana Street as a public street or way of the said city as shown on a plan, and referred to and described in a Report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto, said plan and report being deposited in the Office of the City Clerk, it is therefore hereby ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law, and to be served by any Constable of the City of Somerville to be given to Charles N. Hale, Henry Effin, J. M. Spiller, Catherine M. Smith, Charles H. Colgate, Edgar Paine, Edward P. Foster, George P. Foster, Joseph H. Preston, Cornelius Durgin, N. Doyle, Patrick McCarthy, James Gould, Abigail O'Brien, City of Somerville and all other persons and corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby and that Monday the 19th day of August A. D. 1872, at eight o'clock P. M. and

Otis St. Order

August 5, 1872.

the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections which may be made thereto

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council

Under a suspension of the Rules and orders adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 5. 1872.

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Concurred in.

Alderman Bon offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen and in Common Council

August 5. 1872.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that Ellsworth Avenue should be laid out from Cross Street to Rush Street as a public street or way of the said city as shown on a plan, and referred to and described in a report of the committee on Highways in regard thereto said plan and report being deposited in the office of the City Clerk, it is therefore hereby ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law and to be served by any constable of the City of Somerville, be given to Sarah J. Prentiss, Thomas Lawrence, Mrs Ann Hates, Elva S. Locke, George R. Bolt, Warren Richardson, Mrs Elizabeth Grand, E. R. Higgins, Nathaniel Barker, Ira Chapin, Frederick D. Chase, William B. Greenough and all other persons and corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the street before mentioned by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby and that Monday the

Ellsworth Ave

Order

August 5, 1872.

5th day of August A.D. 1872, at eight o'clock P.M. and the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections, which may be made thereto

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 5. 1872.

Concurred in under the suspension of the Rules and Orders.

Alderman Poor offered the following Order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council

August 5, 1872.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that Everett Avenue should be laid out from Rox Street to a private way called Dana Street as a public street or way of the said city as shown on a plan, and referred to and described in a Report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto, said plan and report being deposited in the office of the City Clerk, it is therefore hereby ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law, and to be served by any Constable of the City of Somerville be given to

Everett Ave

Order

Catherine L. Spring, Samuel P. Hunt, Amanda M. Ingally, L. A. Grimes, C. F. Foss, Charles Orlow Marston, Calvin Gratton, Charles H. Porter, Samuel A. Brown, Charles Tufts, Byron S. Clark, Andrew M. Mulch, David P. Horton, James F. Perry.

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S. S. Hodges, Henry F. Merrill, Neil Sanguel, E. E. Brackett, John H. Brackett, Samuel Stetting, Charles Delano & Joe Charles S. Hale and all other persons and corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the street before mentioned by taking a portion of their lands and laying out the same as a public street and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby, and that Monday the 19th day of August A.D. 1872, at eight o'clock, P.M. and the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections, which may be made thereto

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 5. 1872.

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Concurred in

Alderman Prior offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen August 5. 1872.

Ordered: That the order for a public hearing to be held August 12th in regard to raising the grades of certain Cross Lands, which were more particularly specified in said order, that said order having been passed in the Board of Aldermen July 29. and in the Common Council July 31. be reconsidered and the following order adopted

Order July 29. Reconsidered

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 5. 1872

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Concurred in

August 5, 1872

Alderman Poor offered the following order.

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen August 5, 1872.

Ordered

Shall due notice be given by publication three times in the Somerville Journal that this Board will at their room in the City Hall on Monday the 19th day of August, 1872, at eight o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of raising the grade of all lands, to a grade not less than thirteen feet above mean low water, which are within the territory in this City bounded as follows.

City Grade Order

The territory between Temple Street, Mystic Avenue, the Convent grounds so called and Broadway.

The territory between Franklin Street, Washington Street, Tufts Street, Bow Street, and Oliver Street.

The territory between Franklin Street, Washington Street, Mystic Street, and the line of Oliver Street extended through in a straight line from Franklin to Mystic Street, such lands which are of a grade of less than said thirteen feet to be raised in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 299 of the acts of 1872. all persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 5. 1872

Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders concurred in

Milk St widening

The report of the Committee on widening Milk Street was returned from the Common Council amended as follows. By inserting after City Engineer Provided the County will bear one half the land damages, rest of Order concurred in.

On motion of Alderman Bennett the report was laid on the table

Paper from the Common Council August 5, 1872.

Petition of John A Hughes and others that edge stone be put in gutters paved, and brick sidewalks laid in Lincoln Street referred to Committee on Highways was concurred in — Lincoln St. Sidewalks referred

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Paper from the Common Council
In the City Council of the City of Somerville sitting as a Board of Health
The Committee on Health report that they have examined the pit holes situated on the easterly side of Linwood Street and near London Street, that they are filled with filthy and stagnant water, injurious to the health of those living in that locality, and a source of disease, and they recommend the passage of the accompanying resolves and order
Report accepted and recommendation adopted sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen Aug 5. Concurred in
Received July 31. 1872.

Linwood St. nuisance report

In the City Council of the City of Somerville acting as a Board of Health of the said City,
Resolved, and it is hereby after due ~~consideration~~ examination found and determined by the said Board of Health that the pit-holes so called situated near or bordering upon London Street so called, on the northwesterly side thereof and between said London Street and the southeasterly end of Chevrant Street in said Somerville are a nuisance source of filth and cause of sickness and injurious to the public health and safety of the inhabitants of said City of Somerville by reason of the collection of stagnant and putrescent water therein and therein, and that the public health and safety of the inhabitants require that such nuisance source of filth and cause of sickness should be removed by filling up the said pit-holes and it is hereby ordered that the owners of said

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pit thereby or of the land in which the same is situated be and they are hereby ordered and directed, at their own expense, to remove the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness by filling up or causing to be filled up the said pit holes with earth, gravel, or other suitable material within thirty days after service upon them of notice of this order and that if the said owners shall fail or neglect so to do and to comply with this order, they shall forfeit and be liable to pay the sum provided by law for every day during which they knowingly permit the said nuisance and cause of sickness to remain after the time herein prescribed for the removal thereof; and further that the Committee on Health of the said City of Somerville after the expiration of said thirty days shall cause the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness, to be removed and abated as aforesaid, and the said pit holes filled up, all expenses incurred thereby to be paid by the said owners.

Ordered, That notice of this order be served upon W. W. Wheeler, of Island Street, Joseph Hundern and all other known owners of said pit holes and land, by any Constable of the City of Somerville, by delivering a copy of the same personally to each of said owners, or by leaving such copy at their last and usual places of abode or otherwise according to law.

Report accepted adopted and Resolve passed in concurrence

Kent St nuisance referred

The petition of Patrick Tobin and others for the abatement of a nuisance existing at or near the crossing of Kent Street and the Fitchburg Rail Road was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 14, 1872 Concurred in

August 5, 1872.

The petition of C. P. Sanborn and others that edge stones be set and gutters paved on Evergreen Avenue was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 14, 1872 Concurred in

Evergreen Ave Sidewalks referred

The report of the Chief of Police was received read and placed on file

Paper from the Common Council

The petition of Thomas N. Rand and others that edge stones be set and gutters paved on Oakland Avenue referred to the Committee on Highways was passed in concurrence

Oakland Ave Sidewalks referred

The report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department was accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Fire Dept. Report of Chief Engineer.

Report of the Committee on Fire Department — The petition of J. B. Flanders and others for a hose carriage to be located near Elm Street Station West Somerville referred to Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department — Report that it is our opinion that this rapidly growing part of our City demands better protection in case of fires; situated over a mile from the Steamers and the various Hose Companies of the City, a serious conflagration might reasonably be expected, should a fire break out in this locality.

We therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted that a suitable lot of land be purchased and a brick building erected thereon soon as practicable for the use of the Fire Department.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 14 1872 Concurred in

Committee on Fire Dept. report Elm & Hoover

Alderman Bennett offered the following order. Aug. 5, 1872.

Ordered, That the Mayor be requested to confer with the County Commissioners, for the purpose of ascertaining the sum, if any, the County will pay towards the widening of Mill Street as proposed by the Committee appointed to consider the same, or towards widening any portion of said Street. Also the manner of laying out the same in case it shall be done, and report thereon as soon as may be

Mill St widening

Committee of conference

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways.

Committee on Highways report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of P. M. Harwood and others for the lines of Oxford Street, report that so much of said Street is a private way. They do not deem it advisable for the City to incur any expense upon the same; but recommend that if the petitioners become responsible for the cost thereof that a survey and plan of said street be made

Oxford St

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

Cutter St Sidewalks

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Orin Ray and others for the setting of edgestones and planking of sidewalks in Cutter Street recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, a removal of the obstructions upon the street being represented in the petition

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Report of the Committee on Highways August 5, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Raffferty for grade and lines in Smith Street, and permission to erect bulkheads, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner so far as it relates to the erection of bulkheads, be granted, provided the same shall be made safe for public travel

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 14 Concurred in

Skiles St
P. Raffferty

Report of Committee on Health City of Somerville

On the petition of Michael Sullivan complaining that the sink drain from a block of houses belonging to Charles O'Neil situated on the Northerly side of Myrtle Street

The Committee on Health examined the premises complained of and found that the drains from said block of houses runs into the adjoining vacant lot and causes an overflow of filthy matter smelling very offensive, is a nuisance and dangerous to health; the Chief of Police was requested to serve notice on Charles O'Neil to abate the nuisance in one week since then the Chief of Police reports that the nuisance has been abated

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Myrtle St
nuisances

The petition of E. A. Titus and others that sidewalks be constructed, Edge Stones set, gutters paved and the sidewalks covered with brick on both sides of Flint Street from Pearl to Cross Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Flint St
Sidewalks

August 5, 1872.

Alderman Fisher moved that a message be sent to the Common Council requesting a Convention of the two branches for the purpose of hearing a message from his Honor the Mayor in reference to filling the upper basin of Millers River — Miller's River conference

The motion was adopted, and Alderman Fisher was charged with the message who subsequently reported that the Council assented to the proposed Convention

City Council in Convention

The two branches assembled in joint Convention and the Mayor delivered a message (which was subsequently filed in the City Clerks office) to the body on the subject of the Millers River Nuisance the Convention was then dissolved

Upon the reassembling of the Board of Aldermen after the convention,

Alderman Pour offered the following order,

Ordered

That the message of his Honor the Mayor in regard to the Millers River Nuisance be referred to a committee consisting of the Committee on Sewers and the Committee on Highways with instructions to examine into the whole subject matter of the message and report at as early a date as practicably as to the most effective, economical and expeditious manner of abating the said nuisance

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

The Common Council August 5. Concurred in

Letter of Harbor Commissioners

Boston August 5. 1872.

Hon George O Brastow Mayor of Somerville

Dear Sir

at a meeting of the board it was voted to grant the petition of the City Council of Somerville to fill the upper basin of Millers River without requiring compensation for the water displaced. very Truly Yours Josiah Quincy Chairman

The Board of Health submitted the following Resolve as their Report. -

(August 5, 1872.)

(In the City Council of the City of Somerville acting as a Board of Health of the said City.)

Canal St Robbins nuisance order.

Resolved, and after due examination, found and determined by the said Board of Health that the manure and the keeping of swine on the premises part of Canal Street in Somerville, in the ownership or occupation of David C Robbins, and the filth collected on said premises are a nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness within said City, and injurious to the health of the inhabitants, and that the preservation of the public health and safety requires that the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness should be destroyed, removed and prevented, as hereinafter stated, and it is therefore hereby

Ordered.

That the said David C Robbins be and he hereby is ordered and directed, at his own expense to remove the said nuisance source of filth and cause of sickness, by causing the said manure and filth and all manure and filth to be removed from the said premises, owned or occupied by him within four days after service upon him the said David C Robbins of notice of this order, and that if he shall fail or neglect to do and to comply with the above order he shall forfeit and be liable to pay the sum provided by law, namely, not exceeding twenty dollars for every day during which he knowingly permits the said nuisance and cause of sickness to remain after the time herein prescribed for the removal thereof and further more that after the expiration of said four days, the Chief of Police of said Somerville shall cause the said nuisance source of filth, and cause of sickness to be removed and abated by the removal of the said manure and filth aforesaid all expenses incurred thereby to be paid by the said David C Robbins, and furthermore it is hereby ordered that notice of this order be served upon David C Robbins by any Constable of the City of Somerville by delivering a Copy thereof per-

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personally to paid party or by leaving such copy at his last and usual place of abode, the said Constable to return to the City Clerk of said City, a certificate of having made service of this order as ~~aforesaid~~ aforesaid.
Order adopted and Resolve passed and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council August 5. 1872. Concurred in

The Board of Health submitted the following order and Resolve

(August 5. 1872.)

In the City Council of the City of Somerville acting as a Board of Health of said City
Upon the petition of John W. Butler and twenty nine others, asking for the abatement of the nuisance hereinafter described, it is hereby

Septic tr

Resolved, and after due examination found and determined by the said Board of Health that the swine and keeping of swine in the cellar of the stable on the corner of Septic Avenue and Union Street in Somerville, which stable is in the ownership or occupation of Andrew R. Walker and his wife Ellen Andrew R. Walker, in one of them and the filth collected in said Cellar and the keeping of swine on said premises, are a nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness within the said City, and injurious to the health of its inhabitants, and that the preservation of the public health and safety requires that the said nuisance source of filth, and cause of sickness should be destroyed, removed and prevented, as hereinafter stated, and it is therefore hereby Ordered that the said Andrew R. Walker and Ellen Andrew R. Walker and each of them (and they) hereby are ordered and directed at their own expense, to remove the said nuisance source of filth and cause of sickness, by causing the said swine and filth and all swine and filth to be removed from the said Cellar and premises, owned or occupied by them o

A. R. Walker nuisance report and Order

August 5, 1872.

within four days after service upon them, the said Andrew R. Walker and Geo Andrew R. Walker, upon receipt of this order, and that if they shall fail or neglect to do and to comply with the above order, they and each of them shall forfeit and be liable to pay the sum provided by law, namely, not exceeding twenty dollars for every day during which they knowingly permit the said nuisance and cause of sickness to remain after the time herein prescribed for its removal thereof, and further that after the expiration of said four days, the Chief of Police of said Somerville shall cause the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness to be removed and abated by the removal of the said manure and filth as aforesaid, all expenses incurred thereby to be paid by the said Andrew R. and Geo Andrew R. Walker, or either of them, and further that it is hereby ordered that notice of this order be served upon the said Andrew R. and Geo Andrew R. Walker by any constable of the City of Somerville by delivering a copy thereof personally to said parties or by leaving such copy at their last and usual place of abode, the said constable to return to the City Clerk of said City a certificate of having made service of this order as aforesaid.

Order adopted and Resolve passed and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 5, 1872. Concurred in

Middlesex, ss. Somerville August 7, 1872

I have served this day a copy of this order within named upon Mr Andrew R. Walker and Mr Geo Andrew R. Walker and left with the latter a true and attested copy of the same

Michael C. Rodgers
Constable

Redford St

The Board of Health submitted the following Order and Resolve

James Doherty nuisance

Order

In the City Council of the City of Somerville acting as a Board of Health of the said City

Resolved, and after due examination it is found and determined by the said Board of Health that the manure and the keeping of manure on the premises in the ownership or occupation of James Doherty situated on the Southeasterly side of Medford street and near the Grand Junction railroad, and the filth collected

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on said premises are a nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness within said city and injurious to the health of the inhabitants, and that the preservation of the public health and safety requires that the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness should be destroyed, removed and prevented, as hereinafter stated, and it is therefore hereby Ordered, that the said James Doherty be and he hereby is ordered and directed at his own expense to remove the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness by causing the said swill and filth and all swill and filth to be removed from the said premises owned or occupied by him within four days after service upon him of the said James Doherty, of notice of this order, and that if he shall fail or neglect so to do and to comply with the above order he shall forfeit and be liable to pay the sum provided by law, namely, not exceeding twenty dollars for every day during which he knowingly permits the said nuisance and cause of sickness to remain after the time herein prescribed for the removal thereof, and further more that after the expiration of said four days, the Chief of Police of said Somerville, shall cause the said nuisance, source of filth and cause of sickness to be removed and abated, by the removal of the said swill and filth as aforesaid, all expenses incurred thereby to be paid by the said James Doherty, and furthermore it is hereby ordered that notice of this order be served upon the said James Doherty by any constable of the City of Somerville by delivering a copy thereof personally to said party or by leaving such copy at his last and usual place of abode, the said Constable to return to the City Clerk of said City, a certificate of having made service of this order as aforesaid.

Order adopted and Resolve passed and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Aug 5. 1872. Concurred in

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

August 12. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hasham, Davis, Poor, Ruber, Quincy, and Bennett present

The petition of John W Paine and others that brick sidewalks be laid in Florence Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14. Concurred in

Florence St. Sidewalks referred

The petition of Union Railway Company for the line of Milk Street in front of their premises was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14. Concurred in

Union R.R. Milk St. Lines referred

The Mayor nominated Horace Partridge as an Auctioneer
The nomination was confirmed by the Aldermen

Horace Partridge Auctioneer

Aldermen Bennett offered the following Joint Order

In Board of Aldermen August 12. 1872.

Ordered

That the Mayor be added to the Committee having charge of the subject embraced in his Message to the City Council August 5th relating to the construction of a Trunk Sewer in that part of Millers River Westerly of Medford Street, and other measures calculated to abate the nuisance in this locality
Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14. 1872. Concurred in

Millers River Sewer Commission addition to

Report of Committee on Highways Aug. 12, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the Completion of the Construction of Putnam Street commenced by the Selectmen of the town in 1871 under the Settlement Act, Report, that the street has been completed in accordance with the plan, specifications and contract, and now only awaits the assessment of betterments; and recommend that the street be accepted. — Putnam St. report

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways — Mt. Vernon St. Sidewalks report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Charles D. Field Jr. and others for the setting of Edge Stones and paving of Sidewalks in Mount Vernon Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways — Oakland Ave. Sidewalks report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Thomas H. Rand and others for the setting of Edge Stones in Oakland Avenue, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14, 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways — Glen St. Sidewalks report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Wm Pitcher and others for the setting of Edge Stones and paving of Sidewalks in Glen Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council August 14. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

Aug. 12, 1872.

Lincoln St. Sidewalks report.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John W. Hughes and others for the setting of edge stones and framing of sidewalks in Lincoln Street, recommend that edge stones be set and sidewalks framed on the northwesterly side of said street, and that edge stones be set on the southeasterly side of the street in front of the Cooper estate, extending around and into Broadway.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Aug. 14. Amended by striking out the words "in front of the Cooper estate" as amended accepted adopted sent up for concurrence. Report of Committee on Highways amended.

Myrtle St. Sidewalks report.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petitions of Thomas Hadley and E. B. Wilson for the setting of edge stones in Myrtle Street under the provisions of the act relating thereto, and that this committee be instructed to do the same at once without further reference, recommend that the petitioners be informed that to set the edge stones at once without further reference, would be directly in conflict with the provisions of the act referred to, and that they have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council August 14. 1872. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

Myrtle and Pearl Sidewalks report.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petitions of W. J. Knights and others and Charles H. Guild and others for the setting of edge stones and framing of sidewalks in Myrtle and Pearl streets recommend that edge stones be set in Pearl street from Pinckney to Franklin street, and in Myrtle Street from Perkins Street to estate of W. J. Knights where not already set, and that sidewalks be framed in Pearl street from Pinckney to Franklin St, and in Myrtle street from Perkins St. to estate of W. J. Knights.

Report accepted adopted sent down for concurrence. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of the Middlesex Railroad Company for further location in Union Square, recommend that no authority be given to the Company to extend their track in said square. On motion of Alderman Bennett the report was laid on the table.

Middlesex R.R. location in Union Sq. report

A petition was received from A. P. Roberts and others asking for a hearing in reference to the assessment laid upon them and others under protest for reclaimed land.
On motion of Alderman Bennett a hearing was granted the petitioners on September 2 three weeks from to-night at 8 P. M.

Claim A. P. Roberts

Alderman Fletcher offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 12. 1872.

Ordered That the Highways Committee be requested to apportion the assessments to the petitioners on Rush Street and Putnam Street for the construction of those streets, and that they be and are hereby authorized to employ such assistance as they may require for that purpose charging the amount payable on such account to construction account of said streets.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 4. 1872. Concurred in.

Rush St. Putnam St. assessments Order

Report of Committee on Sewers. School Street and assessment list

Your committee respectfully report that a Brick Sewer has been constructed by Isaac B. Bishop in School Street between Milk and Summer Streets a distance of 900 feet 15 inches in diameter costing $1970.00 of the above expense your committee recommend that the sum of Fourteen Hundred eighty dollars and eighty two cents be assessed upon the parties benefited and that the City assume the balance.

Herewith is presented an assessment list and accompanying

School St. Sewer report

August 12, 1872.

and your Committee recommend that the same be assessed and certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith.
Report accepted and recommendations adopted.

School St Sewer

Sewer Assessment

In defraying in part the cost of constructing a Common Sewer in the City of Danville in School Street between Mill and Summer Streets

assessment

Owners of Estates benefited	Number feet frontage	Assessed valuation	Rate assessment
George H. Ireland	6231	$2492.40	@ 3% $ 72.28
Mary Reid	7300	2505.00	" 74.04
Lewis Sanderson	5700	3045.00	" 88.30
O.S. Hancock	6500	2275.00	" 65.97
George H. Ireland	50000	7500.00	" 217.50
C.J. Walker	2970	1128.60	" 32.75
Henry Pierson	5850	2223.00	" 64.47
J.L. Ellis	4950	1881.00	" 54.55
Myron H. Barnes	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
Mary Craig	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
Elizabeth A. Wilder	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
P.P. Osgood	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
William L. Hunt	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
P. Brial	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
De E. Jackson	5400	2052.00	" 59.51
Benj. Burto	5694	2163.72	" 62.75
George H. Ireland	4900	1435.00	" 41.61
		$51062.72	$1480.92

Alderman Gines offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen August 12, 1872.

Order

Ordered

That the cost of constructing the Common Sewer, within referred to, amounting to $1970 and after deducting the proportion thereof namely $489.18 to be paid by the City, there remaining $1480.92 to be assessed upon property benefited

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the persons named in the within schedule being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sum therein set to their respective names, as ~~aforesaid~~ their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and issued

The order was adopted and list ascertained and certified.

South St Sewer report & assessments

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee respectfully report that a cement pipe sewer has been constructed by E. P. Flower in South Street beginning at Medford Street and continuing a distance of 338 feet 15 inches in diameter costing $589.00 of the above ~~[illegible]~~ expense your Committee recommend that the sum of Four hundred forty one 75/100 dollars be assessed upon the parties benefited and that the city assume the balance therewith is presented, an assessment list and warrant, and your Committee recommend that the same be ascertained and certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for Collection in accordance therewith

Report accepted and adopted

Assessment to defray in part the cost of constructing a common sewer in the City of Somerville in South Street

Owners of Estates	Number feet of land	valuation	Rate	assessment
O. H. Wellington	4124	$1031.00	5%	$52.41
Richard McBride	2080	520.00	"	26.43
Michael Curran	2800	700.00	"	35.58
H. F. Harney	6700	1675.00	"	85.04
Michael McBride	3000	750.00	"	38.12
Michael Savery	6720	1344.00	"	68.32
Patrick Grealy	7000	1400.00	"	71.16
Patrick McLeh	5776	1270.72	"	64.59
		$8690.72		441.75

Aldermen Gines offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 12. 1872.
Ordered,
That, the cost of constructing the common sewer, within referred to, amounting to $589.00, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely, $147.25 to be paid by the city, there remaining $441.75, to be assessed upon persons benefited — the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and issued.
Order adopted assessment list ascertained and certified

Myrtle St. Sewer report & Order

Report of Committee on Sewers and order

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition the petition of John Malay and others for a sewer in Myrtle Street.

Respectfully report that in the opinion of your Committee public convenience requires, that a sewer should be constructed in said street; and recommend the passage of the following order.

Ordered That due notice be given by serving a copy of this order on all known persons that this Board will on Monday August 19th at 7½ o'clock P. M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Myrtle street beginning at Washington Street and continuing in said Myrtle Street to a near the Ledge Hill in said street and of assessing the expense thereof upon all persons who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby. Any person making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

Report accepted and order adopted

Alderman Glines offered the following order. Aug. 12, 1872

In Board of Aldermen August 12. 1872.
Ordered
That the evening of Monday September 2 at eight o'clock and the room of the Mayor and Aldermen, City Hall Building, be the time and place for a hearing in the matter of abatements on sewer assessments on Sewers laid in School Street, South Street, Bonair Street, Prospect and Washington Streets and Bendiel Streets
Order adopted

Sewers, hearing for abatements

(Adjourned)
Charles E Gilman
Clerk

(Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen)
Somerville August 19. 1872

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Washing, Davis, Pope, Fletcher, Chase, Glines, and Bennett present,

Record of last meeting read and approved

Paper from the Common Council
Communication from the City Council of Cambridge
City of Cambridge

Millers River

(August 7. 1872)
In Common Council
Whereas the nuisance arising from the basin of Millers River has become intolerable, has greatly diminished the value of Real estate in certain parts of this city and will unless speedily abated render those parts of the City entirely unfit for residence or occupation

Communication from Cambridge

August 19, 1872.

and whereas said nuisance arises almost entirely in the City of Somerville, and within the City of Cambridge and the inhabitants thereof are responsible for or have the power to abate it—

Ordered That the Mayor be instructed to take such action in the premises as may lead to the abatement of said nuisance by the authorities of the City of Somerville, or otherwise place the responsibility of the further continuance of said nuisance where it properly belongs.

Sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen August 7 1872, Concurred

Attest Justin A Jacobs City Clerk

August 8. 1872. Approved

Henry O Houghton Mayor

In Mun. Cy

Attest Justin A Jacobs City Clerk

In Common Council August 14, 1872.

Ordered

That the communication dated 9th instant from the Mayor of the City of Cambridge together with the accompanying preamble and order adopted by the City Council of Cambridge dated 7th instant be referred to the Mayor with instructions to make such hearing thereto as he may deem proper

In Common Council Somerville August 14. 1872.

Order adopted and sent up for Concurrence

In Board of Aldermen August 19 Concurred in

The petition of Butler Downer and others that edge stones be set and brick sidewalks laid on the Western side of Central Street between Broadway and the Bridge at the Somerville Centre Station now referred to the Committee on Highways Sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council August 19 1872 Concurred in

Central St Sidewalks referred

August 19, 1872.

The petition of D. E. Sutherworth and others that Edge Grove be put sidewalks bricked on both sides of Bellevue Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council August 19, 1872 Concurred in	Cutter St Sidewalks referred
The petition of Albert Aikins and others for the acceptance of Charles Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council August 19, 1872. Concurred in	Charles St acceptance of referred
The petition of Robert L. Spear and others that Berkeley Street as a public highway was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council August 19, 1872 Concurred in	Berkeley St referred
The petition of Silas Parker and others for a sewer in Church Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers.	Church St Sewer referred
The Communication of Isaac Kendall in reference to the widening of School Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence In Common Council August 19, 1872. Concurred in	School St widening referred
The Communication of Lucretia Gorham in reference to a nuisance existing on Cherry Street was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence In Common Council August 19, 1872. Concurred in	Cherry St nuisance referred

August 19, 1872.

The communication of the Mayor of the City of Cambridge in reference to the building of a Hospital for contagious diseases on the estate now occupied by the City Almshouse was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 19 1872 Concurred in

Hospital referred

Alderman Hoskins presented the plans and specifications for the construction of a Stable on the corner of Broadway and Franklin Street

Broadway & Franklin St Stable Plans

Alderman Hoskins offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 19 1872.

Ordered:

That the plans and specifications for the construction of a stable on the corner of Broadway and Franklin Street therewith submitted be referred to a joint Select Committee with full powers consisting of one member from this board to be appointed by the chair and two members from the Common Council to be appointed by the Presiding officer of that branch.

Order adopted and Alderman Hoskins appointed on the part of this Branch and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 19. 1872. Concurred in and Councilmen Curtis and Conant appointed on the part of this Branch

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Maynard St Sidewalks referred

The petition of J. D. Johnson and others that edge stones be set, gutters paved and sidewalks laid with brick on both sides of Maynard Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 19. 1872. Concurred in

August 19, 1872.

Report of Joint-Special Committee

In Board of Aldermen August 19, 1872,

The Joint-special Committee of the City Council to whom was referred the Mayors communication of the 5th instant in regard to taking active measures for abating the nuisance in the upper basins of Millers River, beg leave to report, - that without at this time suggesting any plan or location for the trunk sewer, or a sheet - they earnestly recommend that legal notice be served without unnecessary delay, upon the several owners of the flats and lands in the basins of said river between Medford street and Webster Avenue, to fill up their said flats and lands within said basins in conformity with the requirements of chapter 299, of the acts of the Legislature of 1872

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Aug 19. 1872. Concurred in

Millers River report of Sp. Committee

Alderman Prout offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 19. 1872.

Ordered

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to cause legal notice to be given, without unnecessary delay, to the several owners of lands and flats within the basins and banks of Millers River, between Medford street and Webster Avenue, to fill up their said lands and flats within the above named limits in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 299, of the acts of the Legislature of 1872,

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 19. 1872. Concurred in

Order to fill up

Alderman Hoskins offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 19. 1872

Ordered That the Committee on Sewers be and are hereby instructed to connect the sewer in Webster street with the Cross street sewer at the junction of said streets.

Webster St Sewer order to build

August 19, 1872.

referred to the Committee on Sewers with full powers.

Myrtle St Sewer

A hearing was held in accordance with an order passed August 12, ult. in reference to the construction of a sewer in Myrtle Street, upon the petition of John O'Malay and others

hearing

All persons having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

Alderman Jones offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 19 1872.

Whereas it appears to this board to be necessary for the public convenience and the public health that a common sewer be constructed in Myrtle Street, public notice of the intention of this board to construct said sewer has been given, and all parties interested therein fully heard. It is hereby ordered, That the Committee on sewers be and they are authorized and instructed to construct a common sewer in said street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof, and of the assessments in their judgment justice to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this board, when said sewer shall have been completed.

Order

The order was adopted and under the suspension of the Rules and Orders took its second reading and received its final passage

Myrtle St Sewer Order as Assessments

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee respectfully report that a brick sewer has been constructed in Myrtle Street commencing at Mitchell Street and continuing a distance of 509 feet, 15 inches in diameter costing $754 sixty dollars of the above expense your Committee recommend that the sum of seven hundred sixty four dollars be assessed upon the parties benefited, and that the city assume the balance, therefore is presented an assessment list and

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warrant, and your committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith.

(Report accepted and recommendations adopted.)

(Assessment List.)

In defraying the cost of constructing a common sewer in the city of Lawrence in the Street-Between (Mill and Summer Streets)

Owners of Estates benefited.		amount of land	Interest	Rate	Assessment.
(Samuel Arnold)		3.400	1190.00	8 mills	$33.92.
(Patrick Cherry)		14.900	4145.00	"	118.70.
(E. D. Mason Jr.)		5.000	1750.00	"	49.84.
William P. Crombie		5.000	1750.00	"	49.84.
David Burke		2.000	1257.20	"	35.83.
(Dennis T. Sullivan)		6.858	2400.50	"	68.41.
(S. W.) Downing		6.000	2100.00	"	59.85.
(Mrs R. W.) Hunnewell		6.000	2100.00	"	59.85.
(Emma W.) Wales		7.700	2695.00	"	76.81.
Margaret T. Brait		8.225	2878.75	"	82.04.
Harriet L. Brait Guardian		5.461	2839.72	"	80.93.
			$25,125.97		716.11.

Alderman Pierce offered the following order

(In Board of Aldermen August 19, 1872.)

Ordered, that the cost of constructing the common sewer within referred to, amounting to $954.80, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely $238.70 to be paid by the city, the remaining $716.10 be assessed upon persons benefited, the persons, named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and this is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued.

The order was adopted and list ascertained and certified.

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Laying out of Ellsworth Ave

Alderman Poor moved that a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of the two branches forthwith for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in the laying out of Everett Avenue, Ellsworth Avenue and Otis Street as public streets or ways in accordance with an order passed by the Board August 5th.

The motion was adopted and Aldermen Poor was charged with the message.

A message was subsequently received assenting to the proposed convention

Everett Ave

City Council in Convention

After the hearing by the Boards of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections which may be made in reference to the laying out of Everett Avenue as a public street or way, all parties interested having been notified in accordance with an order passed August 5th as shown by the officers return thereon

City of Somerville

Middlesex, ss. August 10, 1872.

Otis St

Hearing

Hearing certify that in accordance with the order, which is hereto annexed, I have notified the parties therein named and referred to, by leaving a true copy of the said order at the usual place of abode of the following named persons to wit:

Catherine L. Spring, Samuel P. Hunt, Amanda M. Wigglesworth, S. H. Grimes, B. F. Fox, Charles Oates, Manoah Colburn Horton, Charles H. Porter, Samuel D. Barrow, Charles Tufts, Bayard D. Clark, Andrew McNeil, David P. Horton, James F. Parsons, J. D. Hardy, Henry L. Morrill, Miles Sprague, E. B. Bracket, William H. Bracket, Samuel Sibley, Charles Oates and Son and Charles N. Hale and that I served all of said notices and did all the aforesaid acts more than 7 days before the 19th day of August to said order named persons. Marm. Constable of Somerville

August 19, 1872.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Middlesex ss Somerville August 19th 1872
Then personally appeared the above named James Mann and made oath that the above certificate by them subscribed is true
Before me Charles E Gilman
Justice of the Peace.
All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

A hearing was also had in reference to the laying out of Alnwick Avenue as a public street or way. All parties interested having been notified in accordance with an order passed August 5th as shown by the officers return thereon

Copy of Return
City of Somerville
Middlesex ss August 10th 1872.
I hereby certify that in accordance with the order, which is herein annexed, I have notified the parties therein named and referred to, by leaving a true copy of the said order at the usual place of abode of the following named persons to wit:
Heirs of Prentiss, Thomas Lawrence, Eliza S Locke, Rand & Cole, Warren Richardson, Mrs Elizabeth Girard, E A Higgins, Nathaniel Barker, Jos. Chapin, Frederick D Chase, William B Greenough, and by delivering in hand a true copy of the said order to the following named person to wit: Mrs Ann Waters, and that I posted all said notices, and did all of the aforesaid acts more than 7 days before the 19th day of August the said order named.
James Mann Constable of Somerville

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex ss
Somerville August 19th 1872.
Then personally appeared the above named James Mann

August 19, 1872.

and made oath that the above certificate by him subscribed is true.

Before me Charles B. Gilman
Justice of the Peace

All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

A hearing was also held in reference to the laying out of Otis Street as a public street or way, all parties interested having been notified in accordance with an order passed August 5th as shown by the officers return thereon.

(Copy) Of Return
City of Somerville

Middlesex ss, August 10th 1872.

I hereby certify that in accordance with the order which is herein annexed, I have notified the parties therein named and referred to, by leaving a true copy of the said order at their usual place of abode of the following named persons viz:

Charles W. Hale, Henry Coffin, J. W. Spilter, James Goulds, Charles Mc. Colgan, George W. Foster, Joseph M. Christian, N. Boyle and Charles Dungin.

and by delivering in hand a true copy of the said order to the following named persons to wit

Sabin M. Smith, Edward W. Foster, Edgar Paine, Abigail C. Brown, Patrick Mc. Carthy and that I served all of said notices, and did all the aforesaid acts more than seven days before the time 19th day of August in said order named. James Mann Constable of Somerville.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex ss. Somerville August 19th 1872.

Then personally appeared the above named James Mann and made oath that the above certificate by him subscribed is true.

Before me Charles B. Gilman Justice of the Peace.

August 19, 1872.

The object for which the Convention was called having been accomplished the convention then dissolved.

Upon the reassembling of the Board of Aldermen Alderman Poor offered the following Order and Resolve

City of Somerville

In City Council August 19. 1872

Resolved, that the common convenience, necessity and safety of the inhabitants of the City require that Ellsworth Avenue should be laid out, as a public street or way of the said City, from Cross Street to Hush Street and of a uniform width of forty feet throughout, all as more particularly hereinafter described, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Sarah J. Wentworth bounded as follows, namely, northwesterly by Cross Street twenty feet, northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue, forty and [illegible] feet, northeasterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas Lawrence twenty feet, northwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue, forty and [illegible] feet; A parcel of land belonging to Thomas Lawrence bounded as follows, namely, northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from said Sarah J. Wentworth twenty feet, northwesterly by the northwesterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue thirty eight and 25/100 feet, northeasterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Mrs Ann Walters twenty feet, and southeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue thirty eight 25/100 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Mrs Ann Walters bounded as follows, namely, northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas Lawrence twenty feet, northwesterly by the northwesterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue thirty eight 25/100 feet, northeasterly

Ellsworth Av Improvement Order taking land

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by land hereinafter described as taken from Elias S Locke twenty feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue thirty eight 7/100 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Elias S Locke bounded as follows viz; Northwesterly by land hereinbefore described as taken from Thos Amos Stiles twenty feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue thirty eight feet; Southeasterly by the land hereinafter described as taken from George A Cole twenty feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed street Avenue thirty eight 7/100 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said George W Cole bounded as follows viz; Northwesterly by land hereinbefore described as taken from Elias S Locke twenty feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.02 feet; Southeasterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Warren Richardson twenty feet; Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.18 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Warren Richardson bounded as follows viz; Northwesterly by land hereinbefore described as taken from George W Cole twenty feet Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.11 feet; Southeasterly by Rush Street twenty feet; Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 37.94 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to William B Greenough bounded as follows viz; Northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Frederick D Chase twenty feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth avenue 37.94 feet; Southeasterly by Rush Street twenty feet Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 37.82 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Frederick D Chase bounded as follows Northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Ira Chapin twenty feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.18 feet Southeasterly by land hereinbefore described as taken from William B Greenough twenty feet Southwesterly by the

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Southwesterly line of said Ellsworth Avenue 38.35 feet;

A parcel of land belonging to Sea Chapin bounded as follows: Northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Nathaniel B Barker, twenty feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.42 feet; Northeasterly by land hereinbefore described as taking from Frederic D Chase 20 feet; Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 37.95 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Nathaniel B Barker bounded as follows; Northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from E P Higgins 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.07 feet; Southeasterly by land hereinbefore described as taken from Sea Chapin 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Avenue 38.03 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to E P Higgins bounded as follows, viz: Northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Mrs Elizabeth Quand 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 38.05 feet; Southeasterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Nathaniel B Barker 20 feet; Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 37.85 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Mrs Elizabeth Quand bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by Ross Street 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 39.56 feet; Southeasterly by land hereinbefore described as taken from E P Higgins 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ellsworth Avenue 39.10 feet.

And whereas the matter of laying out said street was referred to the Commissioner of Highways who caused due notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place, when and where they would meet for the purpose of hearing the parties as by the report of said Commissioner and the order of notice and return thereto annexed deposited in the

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City Clerk's office will fully appear; and whereas, as appears by the said report the said Committee at the time and place in said order of notice appointed, met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard; and whereas the said Committee have reported that the common convenience and necessity require that the said street should be laid out, as hereinafter stated and described, and have caused the admeasurements and boundaries of said street to be distinctly marked out on the premises and also a plan thereof, and described in their report; and have specified the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, and reported the names of all parties sustaining damage by such laying out, with the amount of such damage, and the names of all persons who claimed before said Committee a hearing in relation thereto, as fully appears in said report; and whereas said Report and plan have remained in the City Clerk's Office for the term of seven days at least before the City Council proceeded to act thereon; and whereas public notice has been given to all persons and Corporations interested therein of the intention of the City Council to take the said parcels of land for the purposes aforesaid, and to lay out said street or way, as by the order of notice and the return thereto annexed more fully appears; and whereas at the time and place in said order of notice appointed the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council met and heard all parties interested who claimed to be heard.

It is therefore ordered that the parcels of land before described be and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to the plan of the said Ellsworth Avenue made by Charles Allen, City Engineer, dated June 27, 1872, and deposited in the office of the City Clerk, as aforesaid, and that the said street or way, as shown and designated

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upon said plan, be, and the same is hereby laid out, and established, as and for a public street or way of the said City; That the boundaries, location and admeasurements of said street are all as shown upon said plan, which is hereby made a part of this order, and as follows to wit: Said street is bounded northeasterly by the estates of the abutters thereon two hundred thirty and 4/100 feet; southwesterly by Rush Street forty feet; Northwesterly by a line distant throughout forty feet from the first named line two hundred twenty nine 7/100 feet; and Northwesterly by Ross Street forty feet; that the following is the manner in which such street or way, shall be completed, namely; According to a grade of said Ellsworth Avenue as shown and laid ~~out~~ down upon the aforesaid plan made by Charles D Elliot, City Engineer. That the proprietors, occupants or owners of the land over which said street or way is thus laid out, and through which it is to pass, are allowed until the fifteenth day of September next to take off their trees, fences and other property which may obstruct the building of such street or way: That the following is an estimate, assessment and award of the damages sustained by any persons in their property by the laying out of said street or way namely

Sarah J Prentiss	None	Elizabeth Girard	None
Thomas Lawrence	None	E D Higgins	None
Mrs Ann States	None	Nath C Barker	None
Eliza S Locke	None	Ira Chapin	None
George A Cole	None	Frederick D Chase	None
Marion Richardson	None	Wm B Greenough	None

Report accepted adopted and Resolve passed and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 19. 1872. Concurred in

Aldermen Pew offered the following order and notice

Ohio Street Revised Order

City of Somerville

In City Council August 19. 1872.

Resolved, that the common convenience, necessity, and safety of the inhabitants of the city require that Ohio Street should be laid out, as a public street or way of the said City from Cross Street to Dana Street, and of a uniform width of forty feet throughout, all as more particularly hereinafter described, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and dispose of as a public way or street of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Charles H Gale bounded as follows namely: Southeasterly by Cross Street 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ohio Street 100.59 feet; Northwesterly by land of Henry Coffin 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ohio Street 100.59 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Henry Coffin bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of said Charles H Gale 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ohio Street 524.98 feet; Northwesterly by land of John Spillane 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ohio Street 524.98 feet;

A parcel of land belonging to John Spillane bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of Henry Coffin 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ohio Street 70 feet; Northwesterly by land of Sabine McDonald 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Ohio Street 70 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Sabine McDonald bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of said Spillane 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Ohio Street 158.28 feet; Northwesterly by Dana Street 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly side of said proposed Ohio Street 158.28.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles W Colgate bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of Edgar Shaw 20 feet, Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Ohio Street 374 feet; Northwesterly by Dana Street 20 feet; Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Ohio Street 374 feet.

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A parcel of land belonging to said Edgar Paine bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of Edward O. Foster 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 94.19 feet; Northwesterly by land of said Bolgatis 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 94.19 feet: ——

A parcel of land belonging to said Edward O. Foster bounded as follows viz: Northeasterly by land of George Foster 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 68.97 feet; Northwesterly by said land of Paine 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 68.97 feet: ——

A parcel of land belonging to George H. Foster bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of J. A. Austin 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Street 180.05 feet; Northwesterly by land of said G. H. Foster 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 180.05 feet; ——

A parcel of land belonging to Joseph A. Austin bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of Durgin 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 61.69 feet; Northwesterly by land of George H. Foster 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 61.19 feet: ——

A parcel of land belonging to Cornelius Durgin bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of M. Doyle 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 30.02 feet; Northwesterly by land of said J. A. Austin 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 30.02 feet.

A parcel of land belonging said M. Doyle bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of P. McCarthy 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed street 69.11 feet; Northwesterly by land of said Durgin 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 69.11 feet: ——

A parcel of land belonging to said Patrick McCarthy bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of James Gould 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 39.69 feet; Northwesterly by said land of Doyle

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20 feet; and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 39.69 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said James Gould bounded as follows, viz: Northeasterly by land of Abigail O'Brien twenty feet Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said Otis Street 39.59 feet Northwesterly by said land of McCarty 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said Otis Street 39.59 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Abigail O'Brien bounded as follows, viz: Southeasterly by land of Billy Somerville 20 feet Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 60.12 feet Northwesterly by said land of James Gould 20 feet, and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 60.12 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Somerville bounded as follows, viz: Southeasterly by Bow Street 20 feet Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Otis Street 146 feet Northwesterly by land of said Abigail O'Brien 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Otis Street 146 feet.

and whereas the matter of laying out said street was referred to the Committee on highways, who caused due notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place, where and where they would meet for the purpose of hearing the parties, as by the Report of said Committee and the order of notice, and return thereto annexed, deposited in the City Clerk's office, will fully appear, and whereas, as appears by the said report the said Committee at the time and place in said order of notice appointed met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard; and whereas the said Committee have reported that the common convenience and necessity require that the said street should be laid out as hereinafter stated and described, and have caused the admeasurements and boundaries of said street to be distinctly marked out on the premises and also on a plan thereof and described in their report, and have specified the manner in which such

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laying out shall be completed, and reported the names of all parties sustaining damage by such laying out, with the amount of such damage, and the names of all persons who claimed before said Committee a hearing in relation thereto, as fully appears in said report, and whereas, said report and plan have remained in the City Clerk's Office for the term of seven days at least before the City Council proceeded to act thereon, and whereas due notice has been given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the intention of the City Council to take the said parcels of land for the purposes aforesaid, and to lay out said street or way, as by the order of notice and the return thereto annexed will fully appear, and whereas at the time and place in said order of notice appointed, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council met and heard all parties who claimed to be heard

It is therefore ordered that the parcels of land before described be and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to the plan of the said Otis Street made by Charles D. Elliott City Engineer, dated June 13. 1872. and deposited in the office of the City Clerk as aforesaid, and that the said street or way, as shown and designated upon said plan, be and the same is hereby laid out and established as and for a public street or way of the said city That the boundaries and admeasurements of said streets are all as shown upon said plan, which is hereby made a part of this order, and as follows to wit; said street is bounded Southwesterly by the estate of the abutters thereon eight hundred forty eight 85/100 feet Northwesterly by Dana Street forty feet; Northeasterly by a line distant throughout forty feet from the first named line eight hundred seventy 7/100 feet and Southeasterly by Ocean Street forty feet; that the following is the manner in which such street or way shall be completed namely according to a grade of said Otis Street as shown and laid down upon a plan thereof made by the City Engineer that the proprietors occupants or owners of the land over which said street or way is thus laid out and through which it is

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To pass, are allowed on or before the fifteenth day of September next to take off their trees, fences and other property which may obstruct the building of such street or way; that the following is an estimate, assessment and award of the damage sustained by any persons in their property by the laying out of said street or way namely

Charles N Hale	None	Joseph H Austin	None
Henry Coffin	None	Cornelius Dugan	None
J M Spilter	None	N Doyle	None
Sabine M Smith	None	Patrick McCarty	None
Charles H Colgate	None	James Gould	None
Edgar Paine	None	Abigail O Brien	None
Edward A Hale	None	City of Somerville	None

Report adopted and resolve passed and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 19, 1872 Concurred in.

Alderman Pope offered the following order and resolve.

Everett Avenue Resolve and Order

City of Somerville

In City Council August 19, 1872.

Resolved, that the common convenience, necessity and safety of the inhabitants of the City require that Everett Avenue should be laid out as a public street or way of the said City from Cross Street to Broadway Street and of a uniform width of forty feet throughout, all as more particularly hereinafter described, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said city a parcel of land belonging to Catherine L Spring bounded as follows, namely, Southeasterly by Cross Street 20 feet — Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 75.18 feet; Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 75.63 feet and Northwesterly by land of Samuel P Hunt 20 feet

A parcel of land belonging to said Samuel P Hunt bounded as follows viz. Southeasterly by said land of Catherine L Spring 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 35.30 feet Northwesterly by land of Amanda M Ingalls 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said

proposed Everett Avenue 35.34 feet —

A parcel of land belonging to said Amanda M. Ingalls bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by land of said Blunt 20 feet Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Avenue 35.24 feet Northwesterly by land of L. A. Grimes 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 35.28 feet —

A parcel of land belonging to said L. A. Grimes bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by said land of Ingalls 20 feet — Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 100.14 feet; Northwesterly by land of Fiss 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 100.14 feet; —

A parcel of land belonging to said C. F. Fiss bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by said land of Grimes 20 feet — Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 34.12 feet; Northwesterly by land of Charles Oelrich 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said Everett Avenue 34.12 feet —

A parcel of land belonging to said Charles Oelrich bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by said land of Fiss 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 32.78 feet; Northwesterly by land of Marston 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said Everett Avenue 32.78 feet; —

A parcel of land belonging to said Marston bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by said land of Oelrich 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 33.08 feet; Northwesterly by land of Calvin Wooten 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 33.08 feet — .

A parcel of land belonging to said Calvin Wooten and bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by said land of Marston 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 100 feet; Northwesterly by land of Charles H. Oelrich 20 feet; and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said Everett Avenue 100 feet —

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A parcel of land belonging to said Charles H. Pitts bounded as follows viz Southeasterly by said land of Horton 20 feet. Northeasterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 50 feet Northwesterly by land of Byron D Clark 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said Everett Avenue 50 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Byron D Clark bounded as follows viz Southeasterly by said land of Porter 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50 feet Northwesterly by land of Andrew M Reebel 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50 feet

A parcel of land belonging to said Andrew M Reebel bounded as follows viz Southeasterly by land of said Clark 20 feet Northwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 49.95 feet Northwesterly by land of David P Horton 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Street or Everett Avenue 49.95 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said David P Horton bounded as follows viz Southeasterly by said land of Reebel 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50.30 feet; Northwesterly by land of Samuel A Brown 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said Everett Avenue 50.30 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Samuel A Brown bounded as follows viz Southeasterly by said land of Horton 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50.30 feet; Northwesterly by land of Charles Tufts 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50.30 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Charles Tufts bounded as follows viz: Southeasterly by said land of Brown 20 feet; Northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 147.5 feet Northwesterly by Dana Street 20 feet and Southwesterly by the Southwesterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 147.5 feet.

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A parcel of land belonging to said Charles Tufts bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by Dana Street 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said Everett Avenue 147.5 feet; Southeasterly by land of James F. Powers 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 147.5 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said James F. Powers bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said last described land of Tufts 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly of said proposed Everett Avenue 50 feet; Southeasterly by land of S.D. Hadley 20 feet, and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said S.D. Hadley bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of Powers 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Everett avenue 150.10 feet; Southeasterly by land of Henry T. Morrill 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 150.10 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Henry T. Morrill bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by land of said Hadley 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 50 feet; Southeasterly by land of Miles Jonquest 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 50 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Miles Jonquest bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of Morrill 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said Everett avenue 29.91 feet; Southeasterly by land of E.E. Brackett 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 29.91 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said E.E. Brackett as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of Jonquest 20 feet; Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said Everett avenue 29.80 feet; Southeasterly by land of William H. Brackett 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said Everett Avenue 29.80 feet.

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A parcel of land belonging to said Wm. H. Beachell bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of E. E. Beachell 20 feet, Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said Everett Avenue 30.45 feet, Southeasterly by land of one Stilling and Charles Orton or both 20 feet and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 30.45 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles Orton and one Stillings or both bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of Wm. H. Beachell 20 feet, Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 98.10 feet, Southeasterly by land of Cabrin Horton 20 feet, and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 98.10 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Cabrin Horton bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of Charles Orton and one Stilling or both 20 feet, Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 98.61 feet, Southeasterly by land of Charles N. Hale 20 feet, and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 98.61 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to said Charles N. Hale bounded as follows viz: Northwesterly by said land of Horton 20 feet, Northeasterly by the Northeasterly line of said proposed Everett Avenue 99.40 feet, Southeasterly by Bear Street 20 feet, and Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Everett Avenue 99.40 feet.

And whereas the matter of laying out said Street was referred to the Committee on Highways, who caused due notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place, when and where they would meet for the purpose of hearing the parties, as by the report of the said Committee and the order of notice and return thereto annexed, deposited in the City Clerk's Office, will fully appear, and whereas, as appears by the said report the said Committee at the time and place in said order of notice appointed met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard, and whereas the said Committee have

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reported that the common convenience and necessity require that the said street should be laid out, as hereinafter stated and described, and have caused the admeasurements and boundaries of said street to be distinctly marked out on the premises and also upon a plan thereof, and described in their report, and have specified the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, and reported the names of all parties sustaining damage by such laying out, with the amount of such damage, and the names of all persons who claimed before said Committee a hearing in relation thereto, as fully appears in said report; and Whereas, said Report and Plan have remained in the City Clerk's Office for the term of seven days at least before the City Council proceeded to act thereon, and whereas due notice has been given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the intention of the City Council to take the said parcels of land for the purposes aforesaid, and to lay out said street or way, as by the order of notice and the return annexed and will fully appear, and whereas at the time and place in said order of notice appointed, the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard.

It is therefore ordered that the parcels of land before described be and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to the plan of said Everett Avenue made by Charles D. Elliot City Engineer, dated June 13th 1872. and deposited in the office of the City Clerk, as aforesaid, and that the said street or way as shown and designated upon said plan, be and the same is hereby laid out and established as and for a public street or way of the said city; that the boundaries location, and admeasurements of said street are all as shown upon said plan which is hereby made a part of this Order, and as follows to wit, said street is bounded Southwesterly by the easterly of the abutters therein eight hundred forty five 3/100 feet Northwesterly by Dana Street forty feet Northeasterly by a line

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distant throughout forty feet from the first named line eight hundred forty four 27/100 feet and Southeasterly by Pross Street forty feet that the following is the manner in which such Street or way shall be completed namely According to a grade of said Everett Avenue as shown and laid down upon a plan thereof made by the City Engineer that the proprietors, occupants or owners of the land over which said Street or way is thus laid out and through which it is to pass, are allowed until the fifteenth day of September next to take off their trees, fences and other property which may obstruct the building of such Street or way; that the following is an estimate, assessment and award of the damages sustained by any persons in their property by the laying out of said Street or way namely.

Catherine L. Spring	None	David P. Hurlbut	None
Damon P. Hurd	" ____	Samuel A. Brown	____ "
Amanda M. Angell	" ____	Charles Tripp	____ "
B. P. Grinnell	" ____	James F. Pross	____ "
C. E. Pross	" ____	O. B. Hadley	____ "
Charles Oelton	" ____	H. J. Morrill	____ "
Marston	" ____	Niles Jorquest	____ "
Calvin Marston	" ____	O. B. Brackett	____ "
Charles H. Patten	" ____	Hon. H. Brackett	____ "
Byron S. Clark	" ____	Filling	____ "
Andrew M. Mabel	" ____	Charles Oelton	____ "
Charles N. Veale	" ____		

The Order was adopted and Resolve passed and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 19. 1872 Concurred in

Hearing City grades Local Lands

A hearing was held in accordance with an order passed by this Board August 5th in relation to raising the grade of low lands namely ____

The Territory between Temple Street, Mystic Avenue, the Common grounds so called and Broadway.

The Territory between Franklin Street, Washington Street,

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Tufts Street, Cross Street, and Olivers Street.
The Territory between Franklin Street, Washington Street, Myrtle Street, and the line of Oliver Street if extended through in a straight line from Franklin to Myrtle Street all parties having been heard in the matter they were generally closed.

Adjourned

Charles E. Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen
August 9th. 1872.
Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hawkins, Davis, Poor, Fuller, Chase, Olivers and Bennett present.

Petition of M. P. Elliott and others for the laying out of a street from Washington to Walnut Street following the line of Boston Street was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council August 28. 1872. Concurred in. — Boston St extension referred

Petition of Ira Hill and others that portions of Boston and Grenville Streets be laid out and accepted was referred to the Committee on highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 28 1872 Concurred in — Grenville St referred

Petition of Cullen Downer and others that edge stones be set and brick side walks laid on the Easterly side of Central Street between Broadway and the Bridge on the Lowell Rail Road — Central St Sidewalk Order

On motion of Alderman Poor voted that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

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Petition of James A Shedd and others that the Street across Holland Street at the intersection of Hollow Street may be opened was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council August 28 Concurred in

Holland St Gutters referred

The Communication of the Superintendent of the Fitchburg Railroad in relation to the lighting of the new steel crossings at the East Cambridge Crossing in Somerville was referred to the Committee on Street Lights and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council August 28. 1872. Concurred in

Fitchburg R.R. lights at E. Cambr. crossing referred

Solomon H Willis and William A Williams were appointed by the Mayor Special Police Officers without compensation from the City and were confirmed by the Aldermen

Special Police appointed

Remonstrance of Elias H Holland and others against the location of a Pest House by the City of Cambridge within one hundred rods of any dwelling house was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Hospital remonstrance

Report of the Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Sp A. Tilton and others for the setting of edge stones and paving of sidewalks in Flint Street; recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, providing the City shall be subjected to no claim damages in consequence of any deviation from the present grade of the street:
Report accepted, Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council August 28. 1872. Concurred in

Flint St Sidewalks, report

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Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of J. Johnson and others for the setting of Edge Stones and paving of Sidewalks in Harvard Street - recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Concurred in

Harvard St Sidewalks Order

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of A. C. Shurtleff and others for the setting of Edge Stones and paving of Sidewalks in Cutler Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Concurred in

Cutler St Sidewalks Order

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of A. A. Hanham and others for the setting of Edge Stones in Evergreen Avenue, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted, Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Concurred in

Evergreen Av Sidewalks Order

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Butler Downer and others for the setting of Edge Stones and paving of sidewalks in Central Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Report accepted Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council August 28. Concurred in

Central St Sidewalks Order

Report of Committee on Highways. August 26, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of A. N. Walkins and others for the setting of edge stones and paving of sidewalks in Union Street recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Report accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence. In Common Council August 28. 1872. Concurred in.

Union St. Sidewalks Order report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of J. A. Paine and others for the paving of sidewalks in Florence Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for Concurrence. In Common Council August 28. 1872. Concurred in.

Florence St. Sidewalks report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of B. B. Manson and others for the setting of edge stones and paving of sidewalks in Bow Street, recommend that the Edgestones be set and sidewalks be paved on the Northerly side of the street from Union Square to Mill Street.
Report accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence. In Common Council August 28. 1872. Concurred in.

Bow St. Sidewalks report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of the Union Railway Company for leave to occupy Mill Street while building, report that it is not in the province of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen only to grant licenses for the partial occupation of streets during the erection of buildings. Report accepted adopted sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Concurred in.

Union R. R. Co. to occupy Mill St. while building

Alderman Sour offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

August 26, 1872.

Sidewalks Order to construct in

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen the public convenience requires that sidewalks should be graded and constructed, or partially constructed sidewalks completed, as hereinafter stated, it is therefore hereby

Ordered

That due notice be given by publication once in the Somerville Journal, that this Board will, at their room in the City Hall, on Monday the second day of September 1872, at 8 o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of grading and constructing sidewalks and of assessing upon the abutters on such sidewalks an just proportion a proper part according to law, of the expense of the same in the following specified streets of said City and in the manner following namely

Union Sq

Sidewalk on the southerly side of Bow Street from Union Square to Meth Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones

Evergreen Av

Sidewalk on both sides of Evergreen Avenue from Marshall to School Street to be covered with gravel and with edgestones

Oakland Ave

Sidewalks on both sides of Oakland Avenue from Marshall to School Street to be covered with gravel and with edgestones

Lincoln St

Sidewalk on both sides of Lincoln Street from Broadway to Perkins Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones on the northwesterly side; and to be covered with gravel and with edgestones, extending around and into Broadway on the southeasterly side

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Sidewalks on both sides of Central Street from Broadway to the Bridge over the Lowell Race Road to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Central St

Sidewalks on both sides of Elliot Street from Green to Cross Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Elliot St

Sidewalks on both sides of Howard Street from Summer to Beach Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Howard St

Sidewalks on both sides of Florence Street from Shirley to Sears Street to be covered with brick where not already covered with brick or with concrete — Florence St

Sidewalks on both sides of Cutter Street from Broadway to Webster Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Cutter St

Sidewalks on both sides of McLean Street from Broadway to Pearl Street to be covered with brick, where not already covered with brick, and with edgestones where not already set — McLean St

Sidewalks on both sides of Pearl Street from Pinckney to Franklin Street to be covered with brick, and with edgestones where not already set — Pearl St

Sidewalks on both sides of Myrtle Street from Perkins Street to estate of H. J. Knights to be covered with brick, and with edgestones where not already set. — Myrtle St

Sidewalks on both sides of Webster Street from Franklin to Glen Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Webster St

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Sidewalks in Elm Street in front of the estate of J. B. Perry to be covered with gravel and with edge stones — Elm St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Roseland Street from Cambridge City line to Beacon Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Roseland St.

Sidewalks on the Southwesterly side of Beacon Street from Roseland Street (back eastwardly) to Cambridge City line, to be covered with brick and with edgestones — Beacon St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Union Street from Broadway to Mystic Avenue to be covered with brick and with Edgestones. — Union St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Glen Street from Pearl to Medford Street to be covered with brick, and with edge stones. — Glen St.

The grades of all said sidewalks to conform substantially to grades of Streets; and the gutters to be paved — Grades

Any persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard

Order adopted sent down for concurrence

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Concurred, pro

Report of Committee on Highways
Pearl Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of Pearl street extension recommend that said street be extended from Winchester Street to Revere street (so called) at the Charlestown City line, as shown by red lines on a plan of the premises made by T. B. Ames, dated April 1871, provided the cost to the City shall not exceed the sum of nine thousand dollars, and that the land on the present Pearl Street between Mount Vernon — Pearl St. Extension report

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Street and Chestnut lines, from the northeasterly line thereof to the northeasterly line of the contemplated extension, shall be granted by the abutters on the north and westerly sides of said Street to the City, to the former depth of one and one-half feet for a sidewalk.

Report amended by substituting twelve thousand dollars for three thousand dollars.

The Report as amended was adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Non-concurred in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen. Report as made by the Highway Committee adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Alderman Pope offered the following order

Ordered.

That the Committee on Highways be and they are hereby instructed to proceed according to law and lay out Woodland and Orchard streets.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Concurred.

Alderman Pope offered the following order

Ordered.

That the Committee on Public Property be and they are hereby authorized to dispose of any office furniture belonging to and not adapted to the present wants of the City. — Public Property order to sell

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council August 28, 1872. Concurred.

On motion of Alderman Bennett — Union N. H. R. R. permit

Voted that the Clerk issue a permit to the Union Horse Rail Road Company to build a building on Mill Street

Report of Committee on Sewers, Aug. 26, 1872

Your Committee respectfully report on the order directing the Sewer Committee to connect the Sewer in Webster Street with the Sewer in Cross Street That the work has been completed in accordance with said order.

Webster St Sewer report

Ord Report was accepted

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of R. L. Oliver for damage to his estate respectfully report and recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw

Claim Sewer R. L. Oliver report

Report accepted and recommendations adopted.

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Silas Parker and others for a Sewer in Church Street Respectfully report in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners providing all the owners of land on the street sign a proper release to the city for a right of way through said Street, the street not having been laid out and accepted as a public highway.

Church St Sewer report

Report was accepted and adopted

Alderman Pierce offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen August 26, 1872.

Ordered

That the evening of Monday September 2d at 8 o'clock, and the room of the Mayor and Aldermen in City Hall Building, be assigned as the time and place for a hearing in the matter of abatements on sewer assessments on sewer laid in Bow Street

Bow St Sewer hearing for abatement

Order accepted and adopted.

Alderman Prince offered the following order Aug. 26, 1872

Franklin Ave Sewer Order

(In) Board of Aldermen August 26. 1872.
Whereas it appears to this board that public convenience and the public health require that a common sewer be constructed in Franklin Avenue, a private way leading from Washington Street, all of the owners of land on said Street having executed a proper release to the City, the right of way through said Street for a sewer, which release is herewith presented, it is hereby

Ordered that the Committee on Sewers be and they are hereby instructed to construct a common sewer in said Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof, and of the assessments of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this board when said sewer shall have been completed.

and

The order was adopted

Release of the owners of land in Franklin Avenue

release of land

Whereas it is proposed by the City of Somerville, a body politic and corporate and of the County of Middlesex in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to lay, make, maintain a main drain or common sewer from Franklin Street to Washington Street in said Somerville, partly through a private way or street called or known as Franklin Avenue, and partly through the lands of individuals, all according to a "plan of Proposed Sewer from Franklin Street through Private Land" dated April 30th 1872 and drawn by "C. D. Elliot Jr. City Engineer" which plan is to be recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, to which plan reference is hereby made as a part thereof, and on which said proposed sewer more particularly appears. Now therefore know all men by these presents that we, all of Somerville aforesaid, being owners of or interested in the land to be taken for said proposed sewer in consideration of one dollar

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to be paid by the City of Somerville the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby consent to the laying and maintaining of said sewer, as shown and laid down upon said plan, and we hereby give, grant, convey to the said City of Somerville, the right to lay, make and maintain through and over our lands, respectively, the said drain and sewer, as shown upon said plan and for the purpose of laying, making and maintaining said sewer, we do respectively for ourselves and our heirs and assigns, give and grant to said City of Somerville, the use of a strip of land of the width of eighteen feet and extending through from Franklin to Washington Streets as shown on said plan the said strip to be kept open and unobstructed by us and each of us so that the said City can have free access thereto at any and all times for the purpose of laying, making, maintaining and repairing said main drain or common sewer. To this agreement each of said parties binds himself so far as he relates to the premises so conveyed, and shall not be regarded as covenanting or agreeing for the others. To have and to hold the said easements and privileges to the said City of Somerville and its successors and assigns forever.

In witness whereof the said parties have hereunto set their hands and common seal the first day of May A.D. 1872.

John Harrison, Timothy B. Burley, J. H. Michele for Wm. Woody, Gustav S. Lyon, Charles Atkinson, E. M. Hinman, Henry C. Mandell, Sarah A. Duchemin by J. Duchemin, Sarah Lamont, William H. Earley, Albert E. Hughes M.D., Parkhurst, Joseph A. Tilling, Thomas A. Murphy, James Gallery, Almira T. Shaw, James Tabor,

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss.

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Then personally appeared the above named James Gallery and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed before me

Aaron Sargent Justice of the Peace

Alderman Sinclair offered the following order. Sept. 2, 1872.

In Board of Aldermen August 26, 1872.
Ordered
That the Hay Police be instructed, and are hereby instructed, to deliver any and all tax bills due the City that may be placed in the hands of the Chief of Police by the City Treasurer.
The order was adopted.

Police order to distribute tax bills

Adjourned (Charles E. Gilman Clerk)

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen September 9, 1872.

(Mayor presiding)

Aldermen Hall, Hawkins, Davis, Pool, Sinclair, Shaw, Price and Bennett present.

The record of last meeting read and approved.

Sidewalks

Hearing was given in accordance with an order passed August 26th in reference to the construction of sidewalks in the following streets namely.
Bow Street, Evergreen Avenue, Oakland Avenue, Lincoln Street, Central Street, Flint Street, Howard Street, Storrs Street, Butler Street, Mount Vernon Street, Pearl Street, Myrtle Street, Nelson Street, Elm Street, Roseland Street, Beacon Street, Marion Street, Glen Street.
All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

The remonstrance of Theophilus Griffin and others against the building of a sidewalk on Bow Street, defined to be a common highway

September 2, 1872.

A hearing was given in accordance with an order passed August 26. in the matter of abatements on sewer assessments on sewers laid in Bow Street: no persons appearing in the matter the hearing was closed	Bow St Sewer abatement hearing
A hearing was given in accordance with an order passed August 12. in the matter of abatements on sewer assessment on sewers laid in School Street: all parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed	School St Sewer abatement hearing
A hearing was given in the matter of abatements on sewer assessment on sewers laid in South Street: all parties having been heard in the matter the subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full powers	South St Sewer abatement hearing
A hearing was given in the matter of abatement on sewer assessment on sewers laid in Bonain Street: all parties having been heard in the matter the subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full powers	Bonain St Sewer abatement hearing
A hearing was given in the matter of abatements on sewer assessments on sewers laid in Prospect Street and Washington Street all parties having been heard in the matter the subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full powers.	Prospect St Sewer abatement hearing
A hearing was given in the matter of abatement on sewer assessments on sewers laid on Benedict Street: no persons appearing in the matter the hearing was closed.	Benedict St Sewer abatement hearing

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(A hearing was given to Roberts and others in reference to the refunding of the City assessments paid by them under judgment for reclaimed land) All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Gaines (Ord (That the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Sewers A. P. Roberts reclaimed land

Paper from the Common Council
Petition of Thomas P. Douglass for abatement of nuisances in Butler Street referred to the Committee on Health and sent up for concurrence
(In Board of Aldermen September 2. Concurred in)

Butler St. nuisances referred

Paper from the Common Council
In Common Council August 14. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Public Property be and are hereby authorized to purchase a suitable lot of land in Ward 4. and to erect a brick Hose Carriage House thereon, said Hose House to be built of brick; the whole expense not to exceed Ten Thousand dollars, and the Committee on Finance be and are hereby authorized to borrow said amount or such part thereof as may be needed for said purpose
Order adopted passed to its second reading and final passage and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.
Adoption of the order concurred in and passed to its second reading (voting in the affirmative) in the negative
On motion of Alderman Fisher the Rules and Orders were suspended and the order received its second reading and final passage (by voting in the affirmative) Two in the negative)

Hose House Ward 4 Order

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The petition of J. C. P. Brainard and others for sewer in Pearl Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers

Pearl St Sewer referred

The petition of Geo. M. Mitchell and others for the acceptance of Warren and Columbus Avenues, was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council September 4, 1872. Concurred in.

Warren Ave Columbus Ave acceptance of referred

Petition of C. H. Winspear and others for a Sewer in Walnut Street and Grand View Avenue, was referred to the Committee on Sewers

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Petition of John P. Hall and others that edge stones be set and sidewalks laid on the southwest side of Summer Street from the Moore School House to Laurel Street, was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Sept. 4, 1872 Concurred in.

Summer St Sidewalks referred

Petition of C. H. Winspear and others that a brick sidewalk be laid in Walnut Street from Union Square to Highland Avenue, was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 4, 1872, Concurred in.

Walnut St Sidewalk referred

Petition of Peter Fitzgerald for abatement of a nuisance corner of Warren & Nevada Streets, was referred to the Committee on Health, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council September 4, 1872 Concurred in

Warren St nuisance referred

Alderman Bennett offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen September 2, 1872.

Ordered

That due notice be given by publication three times in the Somerville Journal that this Board will at their room in the City Hall on Monday the fifteenth day of September, 1872, at eight o'clock P. M. take into consideration the expediency

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of ordering the owners of certain lands in this city, namely, the lands and flats comprising or included in the water basins lying South westerly of the Eastern Railroad and easterly of Webster Avenue, and also the water basins, situated between Medford Street, the Eastern Railroad and the former location of the Charlestown Branch Railroad so called, the last mentioned basins being situated westerly of said Medford Street, to raise the grade of their said lands and basins, filling up the same with good material to a grade not less than thirteen feet above mean low water and to raise the grade of all private streets, courts and ways upon their said lands, filling up the same with good material to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water, and in case such owners fail to comply with such order within the time required by law of causing the grade of such lands and basins, and such streets, courts and ways to be raised by this Board at the expense of such owners, and to consider the expediency of taking such other proceedings in the premises as may be deemed expedient and proper, all as provided by chapter 299 of the Statutes of the Commonwealth for the year 1872.

All persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard

Order adopted

City Grade Low Lands Order

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen September 9, 1872:

Whereas it was ordered by this Board February 15, 1872, that license to build a stable on the corner of Broadway and Shawmut Street asked for by Smith and Page, be granted conditional, among other things, that said stable should be set back ten feet from the lines of said streets, and which order was subsequently concurred in by the Common Council with some trifling amendments, which by

Broadway & Shawmut Sts. Smith & Page Stable Order

September 2, 1872.

legitimate and fair construction, in no way, authorized the erection of said stable within ten feet of the line of Franklin Street.

And whereas information has come to the knowledge of this Board that said stable is being erected within ten feet of the line of said Franklin Street, to the injury of property of many persons, and against the wishes and intentions of this Board

Therefore it is hereby ordered that the said License, and all other acts of this Board relating to plans, specifications and other matters pertaining to said stable, are and shall be held from this date, to be null and void, and that the City Clerk forthwith notify Smith and Page and all other persons to be interested of the rescinding by this Board of the License aforesaid.

The Order was rejected.

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Michael Kennedy for damages

Respectfully report, that they have examined into the matter complained of, and are clearly of the opinion that no act of the Selectmen or of the City Government have in the least interfered with with his right of drainage and recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw

The report was accepted and adopted.

Sewer Claim M. C. Kennedy report

Alderman Glines offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen September 2, 1872

Ordered

That the sewer committee be authorized to negotiate with the authorities of Cambridge in reference to allowing the citizens of Cambridge to enter their drains into the common sewer in Elm Street the line of that Street.

Sewer Elm St order to enter from Cambridge

September 2, 1872.

making the boundary line of Cambridge and for the privilege of connecting with the sewer at Beach and Chester Streets, or at one or both places, and report to this Board.

The order was adopted.

Sewers Claims

Report of the Committee on Claims

The Committee on claims to whom was referred the claims against Mrs M. F. Bent and Mrs E. P. Wilder for sewer assessments on Brine Street, amounting to fifty one dollars and cents, would respectfully report, that they have conferred with Mr L. Bent Esq. representing the parties in interest, who claimed that some mistake had been made in apportioning the assessments, and stated that, in his opinion, the parties had fully paid, all that could be legally claimed, but to dispose of the matter without any further controversy, he would pay fifty per cent of the amounts claimed in full settlement of the same. Your Committee, without admitting that any error was made in the assessments in question believe that no other settlement can be effected, except by litigation, and therefore, believing it to be for the best interests of the City, unanimously recommend that the offer herein named, be accepted.

Bent & Wilder Report

The report was accepted and adopted, sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Sept. 4. Concurred in

Alderman Plunkett offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.

Ordered.

That the City Treasurer, be and he is hereby authorized to receive fifty per cent of the balance claimed of Mrs M. F. Bent and Mrs E. P. Wilder for sewer assessment on Brine Street in full settlement of the same, as recommended by the committee on Claims

Order

Order adopted sent down for Concurrence Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways. September 2, 1872

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of "Brick Yard Lane," recommend that when the building on that part of the lane between Webster Avenue and Thorpe Street relinquish to the City, land on the lines of said ways as shown by red lines on a plan made by the City Engineer, dated June 1, 1872, that the lane be laid out as a street and accepted.

Brick Yard Lane report

On motion of Alderman Bennett the report was amended as follows, viz.

That the street be made 40 feet wide and laid out under the provisions of the law.

The report as amended was accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Sept 4, 1872.

Non-concurred in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen.

The report as made by the Com. on Highways, accepted and adopted sent up for concurrence.

Sewers B. & A. R. R. culvert Order to lengthen

Upon a communication of the Mayor of the City of Cambridge the Committee on Sewerage instructed to lengthen the culvert under the Boston and Albany Rail Road near Millers River.

Report of the Committee on Highways

Highland Avenue

Highland Av. widening & laying out report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of Highland Avenue, recommend that said Avenue from Medford Street to Central Street be widened, and laid out in conformity to a plan made by Edward Foist dated 1870, according to law made and provided for the laying out of streets.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 4. 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways September 2, 1872

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of Highland Avenue extension, report that said extension land, and in accordance with a vote of the town under the settlement land has been completed in conformity with the terms of the contract, and that the contractors have received full satisfaction on their contract.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council September 4, 1872. Concurred in.

Highland Ave extension Order accepting report

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the question of betterments and damages consequent upon the construction of Willow Avenue in 1871, report that a proposition to submit the matter to arbitrators has been agreed upon, and they recommend as the arbitrator on the part of the City, Leonard Hamilton.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 4, 1872 Concurred in

Willow Ave betterments & damages report

Alderman Poor offered the following order

Whereas of Alderman September 4, 1872

Ordered

That Leonard Hamilton of Newburyport in the County of Middlesex be, and he hereby is appointed, as one of the three arbitrators to be appointed under and in accordance with a certain agreement for arbitration between the City of Somerville and the petitioners on Willow Avenue, said agreement being dated 1872, and said Hamilton being hereby appointed as the arbitrator to be chosen by the City of Somerville in accordance with said agreement.

Accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council September 4, 1872. Concurred in

Willow Ave arbitration Leonard Hamilton

Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

September 2, 1891.

Fire Dept report of Ch. Engineer

In accordance with the Fire Ordinance I herewith my report for the month of August.

The number of fires in the City was 3
number of alarms out of the City " 2

The loss by fire has been — $1800,
Insurance — 500

August 7th. 2 dwelling houses & barn owned by R. McCue
" 9 slight fire in a stable owned by Mr Hazelding
" 23. Alarm from fire in Boston
" 24 Alarm from fire in Medford
" 31 " " the burning of a Carbonine

Melvin Avenue

Harvey M. Johnson
Chief Engineer

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Petition of Mr E. Dickson and others for a hearing in reference to sewerage in Hebster Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Hebster St Sewer hearing referred

Aldermanic Order offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen September 2, 1891.

Whereas, the public convenience requires that sidewalks be graded and partially constructed, sidewalks completed, as hereinafter specified;

And whereas public notice of the intention of this Board to grade, construct and complete said sidewalks has been given.

It is therefore hereby ordered that sidewalks be graded and constructed and partially constructed sidewalks completed in the following manner, streets of said city as hereinafter specified, and with or without edge stones and covered with material alter.

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as hereinafter specified to wit:-

Sidewalks on both sides of Evergreen Avenue from Marshall to School Street to be covered with gravel and with edge stones, and to be of the width of 7 feet — Evergreen Ave

Sidewalks on both sides of Oakland Avenue from Marshall to School Street to be covered with gravel and with edge stones, and to be of the width of 7 feet — Oakland Ave

Sidewalks on both sides of Lincoln Street from Broadway to Perkins Street, to be covered with bricks and with edge stones on the northwesterly side; and to be covered with gravel and with edge stones, extending around and into Broadway, on the Southeasterly side; and to be of the width of 7 feet in Lincoln Street and 15 feet on Broadway — Lincoln St

Sidewalks on both sides of Central Street from Broadway to the bridge over the Lowell Rail Road; to be covered with bricks and with edge stones and to be of the width of from 8 to 9 feet on the northerly side and 8 feet on the Southerly side from Broadway to Medford Street and 7 feet on both sides from Medford Street to the bridge — Central St

Sidewalks on both sides of Flint Street from Glen to Cross Street to be covered with bricks and with edge stones and to be of the width of 8 feet. — Flint St

Sidewalks on both sides of Howard Street from Hancock to Beach Street to be covered with bricks and with edge stones, and to be of the width of 7 feet. — Howard St

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Sidewalks on both sides of Florence Street from Perkins Street to Pearl Street to be covered with brick where not already covered with brick or with concrete. Florence St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Butler Street from Broadway to Webster Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones, and to be of the width of 7 feet. Butler St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Mount Vernon Street from Broadway to Pearl Street, edgestones to be reset and to be covered with brick, where not already covered with brick, and with edgestones where not already set and to be of the width of 6 feet 10 inches from Broadway to Perkins Street, and 8 feet 3 inches from Perkins to Dimock Street. Mt. Vernon St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Pearl Street from Dimock Street to Franklin Street to be covered with brick and with edgestones, where not already set and to be of the width of 8 feet. Pearl St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Royalle Street from Perkins Street to estate of W. J. Knight to be covered with brick and with edgestones where not already set, and to be of the width of 7 feet 4 inches. Royalle St.

Sidewalks on both sides of Webster Street from Franklin to Pearl Street to be covered with brick, and with edgestones where not already set and to be from 7 to 8 feet in width. Webster St.

Sidewalks in Elm Street in front of the estate of J. T. Berry to be covered with gravel and with edgestones and to be of the width of 9 feet. Elm St.

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Sidewalks on both sides of Roseland Street from Cambridge City line to Beacon Street to be covered with brick, and with edge stones, and to be of the width of 7 feet 10 inches — Roseland St

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Sidewalk on the Southwesterly side of Beacon Street from Roseland southeastwardly to Cambridge City line to be covered with brick and with edge stones and to be of the width of 9 feet. — Beacon St

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Sidewalks on both sides of Union Street from Broadway to Mystic Avenue to be covered with brick and with edge stones and to be of the width of 6 feet 8 inches — Union St

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Sidewalks on both sides of Glen Street from Pearl to Webster Street to be covered with brick and with edge stones, and to be of the width of 7 feet. — Glen St

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The grades of all said sidewalks are to conform substantially to the grades of the streets; the gutters are to be paved, and all matters not herein particularly specified in regard to the construction of said sidewalks are to be determined by the Committee on Highways, to whom full authority is hereby given for that purpose, and that the Committee on Highways be and they hereby are directed and authorized to grade, construct and complete said sidewalks as aforesaid, and in the manner aforesaid, and to repair such of the existing sidewalks and of the crossings to the same in their judgment and preferred to be made upon the petition upon such sidewalks, to this Board, when said sidewalks respectively shall have been completed. — Grades

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 4, 1872. Concurred in

Adjourned Charles E. Gilman Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

September 9. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen: Hall, Hoskins, Davis, Pres. Shuter, Chase, Glines, and Bennett. present.

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Paper from the Common Council

Report of Mr. Farnham agent of the Board of Health in reference in reference to a case of contagious disease in Mill Street accepted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen Sept 9 1872 Concurred in

Contagious Disease report

Paper from the Common Council

In Common Council September 9, 1872,

Ordered

That the Committee on Public Properties be instructed to procure suitable Steam heating apparatus, and cause the same to be set in the City Hall building, at an expense not exceeding ($250.00) Twenty five hundred dollars, said sum to be paid from the appropriation for elevation of City Hall Building

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen Sept 9. 1872.

Amended by inserting One Thousand dollars instead of Twenty five hundred dollars, Low pressure air furnaces instead of Steam Order as amended adopted and sent down for concurrence

Returned with the following endorsement

In Common Council September 11. 1872.

Voted to adhere to former action and request a Committee of conference.

Councilmen Brown, Haynes, and French drawn appointed on the part of this branch

City Hall heating order

September 9, 1872.

The report of the Committee on Highways in reference to the extension of Pearl Street was returned from the Board with the following endorsement — August 28.

Pearl St extension

Non concurred in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen

Report as made by the Highway Committee adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Committee of conference

Alderman Tinsin moved that the Board adhere to their former action.

Upon motion of Alderman Bennett the question was taken by yeas and nays with the following result —

To adhere 5 yeas — No 4. the Mayor casting the deciding vote.

On motion of Alderman Hoskins

Voted. That a Committee of Conference be requested upon the disagreement of the two branches in reference to the extension of Pearl Street.

Aldermen Hoskins, Turner, and Bennett were appointed a committee on the part of this branch

In Common Council September 11. 1872.

Councilmen Hynes, French and Butler, appointed on the Committee of conference on the part of this branch

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Brick Yard Lane

Report of Committee on Highways in reference to Brick yard Lane.

Committee of conference

Returned from the Common Council with the following endorsement

Non concurred in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen;

The report as made by the Committee accepted and adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Alderman Bennett the Board voted to adhere to their former action

On motion of Alderman Chase voted, that a committee of conference be requested upon the disagreement of the two branches in reference to the laying out of Brick yard Lane.

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Aldermen Chase, Bennett, and Teaber were appointed on the part of this branch,
In Common Council September 11. 1872,
Councilmen Maffitt Wyatt and Crane appointed on the Committee of Conference on the part of this branch.

Petition of John Sexton and another for sewer in Moland Street was referred to Committee on Sewers — Sewers Moosland St referred

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Petition of Thomas McBrady and others in reference to sewerage and repairs of highways in the vicinity of Kent Beacon and Sacramento Streets was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Sept 11. 1872 Non concurred in — Kent Beacon Sacramento repairs referred

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Petition of Wm Ho Pierce for the change of the terminus of the Middlesex Rail Road in Union Square in Union Square was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Sept 11. 1872. Concurred in. — Middlesex R.R. location in Union Sq referred

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On motion of Alderman Bennett the report of the Committee on Highways dated August 5th in reference to the petition of the Middlesex Horse Rail Road for a further location in Union Square was taken from the table and recommitted to the Committee on Highways.

Alderman Chase offered the following order.
In Board of Aldermen September 9th. 1872,
Ordered:
That the Committee on Public Property be instructed to erect a suitable fence around the Marshall Street Hose House.
Order adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council Sept 11. 1872 Concurred in — Marshall St Hose House fence order

September 9. 1872.

The report of the Chief of Police was received and accepted. — Chief of Police reports of

The petition of John McGenna and others for the abatement of a nuisance in Allen Street was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council September 11 1872 Concurred in. — Nuisance Allen St referred

The petition of Robert A Vinial and others that a license be granted to L. A. Dimond to keep her store in Union Square open on the sabbath was referred to the City Solicitor. — L. A. Dimond Licenses referred

Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen Sept 9. 1872.

Ordered, That the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized and directed, in behalf of the City, to sign and execute a certain agreement for arbitration between the City of Somerville and the abutters on Willow Avenue in regard to the amount of damage and benefit received by said abutters: said agreement being dated June 27. 1872 and submitted herewith to this Board

Adopted and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council September 11 Concurred in

Agreement

Agreement made this twenty-seventh day of June A.D. 1872 by and between the City of Somerville a municipal corporation duly established by law, and of the County of Middlesex, parties of the first part, and the Several persons who have hereto subscribed their names, parties of the second part,

Whereas a certain street or laneway known as Willow Avenue, has been duly laid out and established in said Somerville, extending from Elm Street to Appleton Street: Now therefore, the parties whose land has been taken for the laying out of said street, do hereby mutually covenant and agree to refer and submit to three arbitrators to be appointed as hereinafter stated, the following matters

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manner to ascertain determine and estimate the amount of damage sustained by the said parties of the second part respectively in their property by the laying out and construction of said street, and taking of their land thereof the said parties of the said second part hereby severally releasing to said City the land so taken for the construction of laying out of said street from Elm to Cypress Street as aforesaid and likewise to ascertain and adjudge and determine the value of the benefit and advantage received by any real estate of the said parties of the second part therefrom, beyond the general advantages to all real estate in the said City of Somerville, and to assess an award to be paid a proportional share according to the expense of laying out and constructing said street as aforesaid, upon said parties of the second part, provided however that such assessment upon said parties shall not exceed one half the amount of such adjudged benefit and advantage, and the award of said arbitrators or a majority of them shall be final. The said arbitrators are to be appointed as follows; One by the City Council of said City, one by the parties of the second part, or in case such parties cannot agree upon such arbitrator, then by a majority of the parties of the second part, such appointment to be reduced to them in writing; and the third arbitrator is to be appointed by the two thus first chosen. In case any of said arbitrators for any cause is prevented from acting, new arbitrators shall be appointed in the manner above provided.

In case either of the two parties to this agreement shall neglect for sixty days from the date hereof to appoint an arbitrator as above stated, the arbitrator appointed by the other party may choose the second arbitrator, and those two the third. Said arbitrators shall appoint a time and place of hearing of said parties, giving each party at least seven days notice thereof, and if any party shall neglect to appear after such notice the arbitrators may proceed in his absence.

In case a majority cannot agree, a new board of arbitrators may be chosen to act as to all proceedings in the matter like the former board.

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In witness whereof the parties of the first part by George O. Brastow their Mayor, thereto duly authorized, have hereunto set their corporate seals, and subscribed their corporate name, and the parties of the second part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written

City of Somerville By George O. Brastow Mayor
Samuel Wakefield President of Chelsea Brick Co.
Timothy Chase, Marian G. Hayes, J. H. Brookhouse
George W. Meacham.

Report of Committee on Sewers and Order

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of G. H. Simpson and others for a sewer in Walnut Street respectfully report, that in the opinion of your Committee public convenience requires that a common sewer should be constructed in said Street.

Ordered, That due notice be given by serving a copy of this order on all known owners that this Board will on Monday September 16th at 8 o'clock P.M. at the Aldermen's Room take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Walnut Street and of assessing the expense thereof upon all persons benefited thereby; all persons objecting thereto will then and there be heard.

Report accepted and order adopted

Sewer Walnut St. report and order

Report of Committee on Sewers and Order.

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of J. P. Brainard and others for a sewer in Pearl Street respectfully report that public convenience requires that a sewer should be constructed in that portion of Pearl Street beginning at Cross Street and continuing westerly in said Street to or past the house of C. M. Hutchinson.

Ordered that due notice be given by serving a copy of this order on all known owners that this Board will on Monday September 16th at 8 o'clock P.M. at the Aldermen's room take into consideration

Sewer Pearl St. report and order

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the expediency of constructing a common sewer in that portion of Park Street immediately west of Bow Street and of assessing the expense thereof upon all persons benefited thereby. All persons objecting thereto will then and there be heard.

Report accepted and Order adopted.

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your Committee respectfully report that a drain has been constructed leading from the City Hall building to the common sewer in School Street, a distance of 295 feet. Sewer City Hall report

Costing $449.25.

For the above expense your committee recommend that the sum of $336.94 be charged to the appropriation for the ventilation of the City Hall building and the balance $112.31 be paid from the appropriation for the construction of sewers.

Report accepted and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Health. Nuisance Kent St report

The petition of Patrick Pepper and others complaining of a nuisance existing at or near the crossing of Kent Street and the Fitchburg Rail Road.

The Committee on Health to whom this petition was referred have examined the premises complained of. They found it to be a running brook which constitutes the head waters of Mill River.

The water is not stagnant and your Committee do not consider it a nuisance, and would recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 11. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways Sept. 9. 1872.

The Committee, on Highways, to whom was referred the construction of Putnam Street, recommend that there be paid to B. R. Morgan for the construction of said street, in addition to the balance of $505, due him on his contract, the sum of five hundred dollars, the committee being satisfied that the cost to the contractor exceeded the contract price the sum of $499.12; and they ask for authority to approve a bill from said Morgan for said additional sum of five hundred dollars. Putnam St. B. R. Morgan report

Report accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence In Common Council September 11 Concurred in

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Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways having examined the drinking fountain on Broadway and Cross Streets found it not practical for the use intended, and have substituted a substantial stone trough and iron fountain such as are adopted in Boston, and the committee therewith ask for the approval of the same. Broadway drinking fountain report

accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence In Common Council September 11, 1872, Concurred in

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Alderman Pow[illegible] moved a reconsideration of the vote passed September 2. 1872, giving A. P. Roberts and others leave to withdraw upon their petition the motion was rejected five voting in the negative and three in the affirmative A. P. Roberts reclaimed land

Adjourned

Charles E. Gilman

Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

September 16, 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Fox, Kimball, Chase and Bennett present

Voted to dispense with the reading of the records

Report from the Common Council

Report of City Solicitor in regard to James Gavin's petition — Claim James Gavin

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Somerville

The undersigned, to whom was referred the accompanying petition of James Gavin, in regard to the sale of his land for non payment of taxes, which had in fact, as he alleged, actually been paid at the time of such sale, reports as follows. — Legal opinion of the City Solicitor

That on the first of May 1870 Hayward P. Cushing was the record owner of one of the three lots at the corner of Walk and Bristol Streets and Gavin was the owner of the other two lots, and the lot standing in his name was properly assessed to Cushing, and so far as the assessors records show, there is nothing to prove that the assessment on Gavin covered the lot in Cushing's name. Gavin only having been assessed on "lot at Walk corner of Bristol Street."

Cushing neglected to pay the tax thus assessed upon him, and the lot standing in his name was properly sold for non payment of the tax, and if Gavin was, as he asserts, the actual owner of the lot standing in Cushings name, it nevertheless cannot affect this sale, which was rightly made in the name of the record owner. Gavin paid the tax on his other two lots, and if he was taxed on more than those two lots, his proper legal remedy by applying

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in the Reason for the partial abatement of his tax
for the above and other reasons, I report that Jeremy
Dunion James Parrin has no legal claim against the
city in the matter
all respectfully submitted
Hebron F. Bonnan
City Solicitor

City Hall heating

Report accepted and sent up for Concurrence
In Board of Aldermen September 16 Concurred in

Committee of conference

The order sent up the Common Council Sept 9th
in reference to heating the City Hall building was
returned from the Council with the following
endorsement
Voted to adhere to former action and request a Committee of Conference
Councilmen Crane, Parmer, and Shrenkeisen
appointed on the part of this Board
In Board of Aldermen Sept 16, Concurred in a committee of Conference
Aldermen Bennett, Chase, and Turner was
appointed, on the part of this branch

Millers River hearing expenses Order

Paper from the Common Council
Order in regard to expenses in Millers River
Hearing
Ordered That the City Treasurer be and he hereby
is authorized and instructed to pay to the city
auditor in disbursement by him as stated in the
within account, the sum of two hundred and
one 32/100 dollars, being the balance due from the
city of Somerville according to the within account
for expenses, consequent upon the Millers River
Hearing, such sum to be charged to Miscellaneous
expenses

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Referred to the Committee on accounts and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen September 16. Concurred in.

Petition of Thos. A. Brady laid on table

The petition of Thomas M. Brady and others was returned from the Common Council non concurred in
On motion of Alderman Bennett the petition was laid upon the table

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Report of the City Solicitor on the petition of Robert A. Vinal and others.
L. A. Dimond's license legal opinion by City Solicitor

The undersigned to whom was referred the petition of Robert A. Vinal and others to your Honorable Board for a license to L. A. Dimond to keep her store open on the Sabbath for the accommodation of car passengers, and asks consideration as follows,
The petitioners in fact ask for two things (first permission to keep a store open, and (second) permission to keep them a station for accommodation of those car passengers.
As to the first the keeping open of a store upon the Sabbath for any manner of labor, business or work, except works of necessity and charity is illegal, and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen have no authority to license the performance of an illegal act and cannot grant the license for keeping open a store, prayed for in this case. As to the second point no license is required for keeping open a room for the accommodation of horse car passengers, and a person would be no better and no worse off for such a license which would be simply void.
In view of the case the Board of Mayor and Aldermen have no authority in the premises.

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all of which is respectfully submitted.

Edwin F. Bowman
City Solicitor

Report accepted

Millers River hearing postponed

A hearing was held in accordance with an order passed September 2, in reference to filling up the flats and lands of the upper basin of Millers River.
On motion of Alderman Hall the meeting and further hearing in the matter was postponed for one week.

Sewer Walnut St hearing

A hearing was held in accordance with an order passed by this board September 9, in reference to the construction of a sewer in Walnut Street, upon the petition of D. H. Simpson and others
All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

Sewer Pearl St hearing

A hearing was held in accordance with an order passed September 9, in reference to the construction of a sewer in Pearl Street, upon the petition of J. F. Brainard and others
All parties having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed.

Nuisance Chas O'Neil letter

The following communication was received from Charles O'Neil
The undersigned respectfully represents to you that the building now in process of erection is not for the extension or enlargement of any rendering establishment for storage and to have the rendering done after the most improved process by the use of digesters and other improvements.

Charles O'Neil

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Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen September 16. 1872
Ordered

That Charles O'Neil be granted leave for continuing the ~~[illegible]~~ erection of the building now in process of erection on the lot of Linden street in Somerville so far as relates to the sheathing or weather boarding so called, and the plates for the roof, and no further in order to prevent the walls of said building in its present condition being blown down or otherwise endangered, provided that in the opinion of the City Solicitor it shall not prejudice the rights of the City in regard to the injunction against said O'Neil, which has been obtained to prevent the erection of said building, and that the City Solicitor be authorized to grant the above license if possible in such manner as not to prejudice the rights of the City.

Pending the discussion upon this order Alderman Kimball offered the following as a substitute for the foregoing order which was adopted.

In Board of Aldermen September 16. 1872.
Ordered

That Charles O'Neil be allowed to go on and finish the Building now in process of erection at the lot of Linden Street in Somerville provided he shall file with the City Treasurer a Bond satisfactory to the City Solicitor, that he will not at any time use the said building or suffer it to be used for a slaughtering or rendering establishment or for any noxious or offensive trade.

Wm G. Scott

Finance
Chas O'Neil
order

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John C. Hotis and others for the setting of edgestones and planking of sidewalks on Summer Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council September 18th. Concurred in. — Summer St. sidewalks ordered

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The petition of John McKenna for compensation for loss of horse, was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council September 18. 1872. Concurred in. — Petition of John McKenna referred

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The petition of John O'Brien and others for a sewer in Prospect Street from Concord Avenue to Oak Street was referred to Committee on Sewers. — Sewer Prospect St. referred

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The petition of John Byrnes for a street-lamp on Holland Street was referred to Committee on Street Lights and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council September 18. Concurred in. — Holland St. lamp referred

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The following communication was received from John P. Squier

To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of Somerville

The undersigned, respectfully represents that the outlet in the Medford Street Sewer, recently constructed, is now being constructed, upon the land, near his establishment, where it is certain to create a nuisance, but that the sewer should be continued along the location of the Boston and Maine Railroad to, and find its outlet, in the channel of the river at the bridge recently constructed by said Railroad & Cambridge. Sept 18. 1872.

John P. Squier

The communication was referred to the Mayor and City Solicitor. — Sewer Medford St. outlet referred

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

Somerville September 23. 1872

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Poor, Trahey, Chase, and Bennett present.

Record of last meeting read and approved.

Papers from the Common Council
Petition of Michael Ross and others for Hydrants in Medford Street. Referred to the Committee on Fire Department, was concurred in

Sheafore St Hydrants referred

Papers from the Common Council
Report of the Committee of Conference on Heating City Hall. The Committee appointed for the purpose of considering the best mode of heating the City Hall The Committee cannot agree and asked to be discharged. In Common Council Report accepted and the Committee discharged and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen Concurred in

City Hall heating report of Committee of Conference

The summons of John William O Neil Plaintiff. Edward M Hudson Defendant, City of Somerville Trustee
Voted That the City Solicitor be requested to attend to the case.

Police
J. W. O Neil
vs
Edw. M. Hudson
referred

The petition of Thomas Brady for abatement of a nuisance Corner of Franklin and Oliver Streets was referred to Committee on Sewers.

Franklin & Oliver Nuisance referred

The petition papers of Charles H. Geile and others for a Lamp Post Corner of Mount Vernon and Pearl Street was referred to the Committee on Street Lights and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council September 25th Concurred in

Mt Vernon & Pearl Lamp Post referred

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The communication of Daniel McBarnin respecting the flowing of surface water on his premises on Medford Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council September 25th Concurred in

Medford St Nuisances referred

The petition of P. S. Higgins for relief on account of injury received while riding on Mount Vernon Street was referred to the Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council September 25th Concurred in

Claims
P. S. Higgins referred

The petition of Nathaniel Bennett and others in reference to the lines of Brick yard lane was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council September 25th Concurred in

Brick Yard Lane lines referred

On motion of Alderman Hall
The hearing in reference to filling the flats and lands of the upper basins of Millers River was postponed for one week

Miller's River hearing postponed

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John McKenna for compensation for loss of horse, report that they do not find it within their province to recommend the paying of money from the City Treasury for purposes other than in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth and the ordinances of the City.
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Board of Common Council Sept 25 Concurred in

Claims
John McKenna report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Franklin & Poe and others for the acceptance of Austin Street, recommend that when the petitioners make the street 40 feet wide, and consent to such grade as may be established by the City Engineer, that said street be laid out and accepted.

Report accepted, adopted, sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 25th. Concurred in.

Chester St. acceptance of report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of G. M. Simpson and others for a brick sidewalk in Walnut Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council September 25. Concurred in.

Walnut St. sidewalk report

Report of Committee on Highways
Foster Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Henry S. Woods for the widening and laying out of Foster Street, recommend that when the petitioner consents to the street being made 40 feet wide without any claim for land damages, that the street be laid out and accepted.

Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

Foster St. widening & laying out report

The petition of Patrick Quinn for a Cesspool on Maple Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Maple St. Cesspool referred

Alderman Poe offered the following Order.

In Board of Aldermen Sept. 23. 1872.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen the public convenience requires that sidewalks should be graded and constructed or partially constructed, sidewalks

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Sidewalks &c

Order for construction in

contributed, as hereinafter stated, it is therefore hereby
Ordered, that due notice be given by publication once
in the Somerville Journal, that this Board will at their
room in the City Hall on Monday, the thirteenth day of
October 1872, at 8 o'clock P. M. take into consideration
the expediency of grading and constructing sidewalks,
and completing partially constructed sidewalks, and of
assessing upon the abutters on such sidewalks in just
proportion a proper part according to law of the expense
of the same, in the manner following namely

Spring St

Sidewalk on the Northwesterly side of Spring Street from
Summer Street to the point where edge stones are already
set, to be covered with gravel and with edge stones

Summer St

Sidewalk on the Southwesterly side of Summer Street
from the Moore School House to Sanford Street to be con-
structed with brick, and with edge stones except where
now set

The grades of all said sidewalks to conform substantially
to grades of Street; and gutters to be formed
Any persons making objections thereto will then and there
be heard

Brick Yard Lane

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council September 25th Concurred in
Majority

report of

Report of the Joint Committee of Conference in
reference to Brick yard lane

Committee of conference

In Board of Aldermen September 23, 1872.
The Joint Committee of Conference appointed to consider
the subject in relation to the laying out and widening
that portion of Brick yard lane leading from Webster
Avenue to Prospect Street,

Beg leave to report that the majority of said
Committee voted to recommend, that said street be laid
out forty feet wide, in accordance with such law as the

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Committee may deem most judicious and for the best interest of the City.
(Signed Daniel E Chase, Clark Bennett, Alan McFarlane
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Horse Horse Carriages

(Alderman Chase offered the following order
Ordered)
That the Joint Standing Committee of the Fire Department be authorized, and instructed to contract with proper and responsible parties for the construction of Two Horse Hose Carriages for the use of the Fire Department
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council September 26 Concurred in

Order

(Alderman Shuber offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen September 23. 1872.
Ordered.
That the Committee on Public Property be and are hereby instructed to contract with suitable and responsible parties to heat the various rooms in the City Hall Building with Hot-Air Furnaces, forthwith, but under no circumstances to exceed the amount unexpended of the ten thousand dollars appropriated for alterations and improvements in said Building after deducting all outstanding bills unpaid and contracted on account of said alterations and improvements.
Pending the discussion upon this order
(Alderman Bennett offered the following order as a substitute which was adopted

City Hall heating

Order

(In Board of Aldermen September 23. 1872.
Ordered that the Committee on Public Property are hereby instructed to take immediate measures for putting in suitable apparatus for heating the City Hall Building, either by Hot air Furnaces, or by steam, as they shall deem for the best interest of the City. Order adopted

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Alderman Poor offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen September 23. 1872.

Ordered

That the Committee on Public Property be and they are hereby instructed to procure suitable plans and specifications for a Brick building to be located on the City land in Ward Two (2) said building to be used for Police Station, Court Room, Ward Room and Lodging Rooms

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Police Station in Ward 2

Report and order of Committee on Sewers

In Board of Aldermen September 23. 1872.

Whereas John O'Brien and others have petitioned this Board for the construction of a sewer in Prospect Street from Concord Avenue to Oak Street

Therefore Ordered that a hearing be given the petitioners and all persons interested therein at the City Hall at 8 o clock P. M. September 30th. Any persons objecting to the construction of said sewer will then and there be heard, and that this order and notice be published in the next issue of the Somerville Journal

Order adopted and Report accepted

Prospect St Sewer Order for hearing

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Mosland Street.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred the petition of John Norton and Roland E. Hardwick for a sewer in Mosland Street to connect with the main sewer in Elm Street, beg leave to report, that a cleaner sewer has been constructed by private parties connecting with the main sewer in Elm Street and continuing thence in Mosland street partway to the premises of the petitioners, That on examination it was

Roseland St Sewer report

September 23, 1872.

found that this drain is not deep enough to be serviceable to the petitioners.
Your Committee therefore dissent from the City construct a sewer in this street at the present season.
Report accepted and adopted

Report and order of Committee on Sewers
New Pearl Street

Pearl St. Sewer

Whereas it appears to this Board to be necessary for the public convenience and the public health that a common sewer be constructed in new Pearl Street, beginning at Cross Street and continuing a distance of one hundred and fifty feet and that notice of the intention of this Board to construct said sewer has been given, It is hereby ordered that the committee on sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to construct a common sewer in said street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof, and of the assessment of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefitted thereby to this board when said sewer shall have been completed

order to build

Report accepted and order adopted

Adjourned
Charles E Gilman
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

September 30. 1872.

Full board present

Mayor presiding

Record of last meeting read and approved

Prospect St Sewer hearing

In accordance with an order passed September 23 a hearing was held in reference to the construction of a sewer in Prospect Street.
No person appearing the hearing was closed.

Millers River hearing postponed

On motion of Alderman Bennett
The hearing in reference to filling the flats and lands of the Basin of Millers River was postponed for one week

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Sidewalks Spring & Summer St hearing

A hearing was held in reference to the construction of sidewalks in Spring and Summer Streets
no person appearing the hearing was closed.

Order from the Common Council

Prospect St & Webster Ave obstructions

In Common Council September 25th 1872

Ordered

That the City authorities and Engineer be directed the lines of Prospect Street and Webster Avenue and that the Superintendent of Streets be instructed to remove any obstructions thereon.
Referred to the Committee on Highways sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen September 30 Concurred in

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Paper from the Common Council

Remonstrance of Nathaniel Bennett and others against the laying out of Brick Yard Lane referred to the Committee on Highways and sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen Concurred in. — Brick Yard Lane remonstrance referred

Paper from the Common Council. The report of the Committee of Conference in reference to the laying out of Brick Yard Lane was sent to the Council September 23 and returned with the following endorsement: — Brick Yard Lane order returned

In Common Council September 25, 1872. Non concurred in the addition, but concurred in the acceptance and sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen September 30. On motion of Alderman Gaines laid upon the table.

Paper from the Common Council — Foster St. widening order returned

Report of the Committee on Highways in reference to Foster Street sent to the Council September 23, was returned non concurred in. On motion of Alderman Hawkins the report was laid on the table.

Order from the Common Council — City Hall heating Order

Ordered that the Committee on Public Property are hereby instructed to take immediate measures for putting in suitable apparatus for heating the City Hall Building, either by Hot Air Furnace or by Steam, as they shall deem for the best interest of the City. Order adopted and sent up for concurrence.

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In Board of Aldermen September 30. 1872.
On motion of Alderman Rimbach, the order was laid upon the table.

Report of Committee in regard to Washington Street Bridge. — Washington St Bridge report

To the Honorable, the City Council of the City of Somerville —

The Committee, who were instructed to ascertain what arrangements could be made with the Fitchburg Railroad Company in regard to the widening of the bridge on Washington Street report as follows,

The Railroad Company agrees to the following, which is the most favorable proposition your committee has been enabled to obtain from them, namely:— They will build both of the abutments to and the bridge and one of the approaches, the city of Somerville to build the other approach and furnish all the land, that is to say, pay all land damages.

This proposition is made by the Company with reference to a bridge, to be of a width of not more than forty feet; the Company urging that a bridge of such width is sufficient for travel, and all which they should be called upon to build.

It was intimated to your committee though not officially, and therefore it cannot be regarded as the action of the company, that if the city should decide to have the bridge built of a width of more than forty feet, the expense of such additional width over and above forty feet, should be divided equally between the Company and the City.

All which is respectfully submitted

George O Brastow. Mayor
Solomon Z Bowman. City Solicitor

September 30, 1872

Report accepted referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council October 2. 1872. Concurred in

Petition of David H Bustamon and others for edge stones to be set and gutters paved in Walnut Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council October 2. 1872. Concurred in

Walnut St Edgestones referred

Petition of Charles H Guild & D. B. Lovering that Pearl Street between Pinckney Street and Mount Vernon Street be laid out 50 feet wide and accepted by the City was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council October 2. 1872. Concurred in

Pearl St widening referred

Petition of Charles H Guild & D. B. Lovering that edge stones be set gutters paved and side walks bricked on Pearl Street between Pinckney Street and Mount Vernon Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council October 2. Concurred in

Pearl St Sidewalks referred

Petition of H & F Sears and others that New Pinckney Street so called from Washington Street to land of W B Woodcock be laid out and accepted also that Edge Stones be set and brick side walks be laid on said street from Washington Street to the Northerly line of G F Higgins and G L Farnham was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council October 2. 1872 Concurred in

New Pinckney referred

September 30, 1872.

Petition of William G. Bond for relief on account of Grade of Bonair Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council October 2. Concurred in

Claim Bonair St Wm G. Bond referred

Petition of C. F. Crane and others for Sewer in Florence Street was referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of C. F. Crane and others that Edge Stones be set and a brick sidewalk laid upon the northerly side of Washington Street from Florence Street to Charlestown Line, was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council October 2. Concurred in

Washington St sidewalks referred

Petition of M. T. Stebbins and others that edge stones be set and brick sidewalks laid on both sides of Webster Street between Grove and Broad Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 2. Concurred in

Webster St Sidewalks referred

Petition of W. H. Haines, Reg. Haven, Samuel S. Littlefield, Reuben P. Brown, Francis S. Dyer were drawn as jurors to consider and estimate the damage done to John M. Brooks of Somerville by reason of the taking of land, wharf and flats of said Brooks in Charlestown by the Mystic River Railroad and the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporations

Jurors L. M. Brooks vs. Mystic R.R.

Petition of Charles P. Randall and others for a sewer in Shawmut Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers

Shawmut St Sewer referred

September 30, 1872

Alderman Pope offered the following order
Mar Board of Aldermen September 30. 1872.
Ordered:

That the petitions of Franklin Sam- and others in regard to the laying out and accepting of Orchard Street and John C Ladd for the laying out and accepting of Roseland Street be recommitted to the Committee on Highways with instructions to proceed according to law and lay out and accept said Orchard and Roseland Streets

Order entitled and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 9. Concurred in

Orchard St & Roseland St recommitted

Report of Committee on Sewers,
Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Grady complaining of water flowing into cellar and lands respectfully report, that in the opinion of your Committee the City are not responsible, as the house and cellar is much below a proper grade and should be raised, and recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw —
Report accepted & Adopted —

Claim Th. Grady report

Report of Committee on Sewers and Order
Whereas it appears to this Board to be necessary for the public health and convenience that a common sewer be constructed in Walnut Street between Bow Street and Highland avenue, Notice of the intention of this Board to construct said sewer has been given
It is hereby ordered that the committee on Sewers be and they are hereby instructed to construct a common sewer in said street, and to report to this Board the expense thereof, and the assessments proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby, when said sewer shall have been completed
Report accepted and order adopted

Walnut St Sewer Order

September 30, 1872.

The order in relation to Police Station in Ward Four adopted September 23, was reconsidered and laid upon the table.

City Hall heating reconsidered

The order in relation to heating City Hall Building adopted September 23 was reconsidered and laid on the table

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Alderman Hall offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen September 30. 1872.

Ordered That due notice be given by publication twice in the Springfield Journal that this Board will at their room in the City Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of October, 1872, at eight o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of ordering the owners of certain lands in this City, namely, the lands and basins, so called, situated between Brown, otherwise called Chicago Street, Cross Street, Taylor Street, Washington Street and Franklin Street, which are less than thirteen feet above mean low water, to raise the grade of their said lands and basins, filling up the same with good materials, to a grade of not less than thirteen feet above mean low water, and to raise the grade of all private streets, courts, and ways upon their said lands, filling up the same with good materials, to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water, and in case such owners fail to comply with such order within the time required by law, of causing the grade of such lands and basins, and such streets, courts, and ways to be raised by this Board at the expense of such owners, and to consider the expediency of taking such other proceedings in the premises, as may be deemed expedient and proper, all as provided by Chapter 299 of the Statutes of the Commonwealth for the year 1872, all persons making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

In Board of Aldermen Order adopted.

September 30, 1872.

Alderman Tucker offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen September 30. 1872.
Ordered:
That the Committee on Public Property be and are hereby instructed to take immediate measures to heat the various rooms in the City Hall Building with Hot-air Furnaces, contracting only with responsible parties who shall guarantee to heat said rooms in a satisfactory manner, and who will allow the payment for said Furnaces and for the work performed on them to be deferred until they have been tested for not less than three months and proved to be capable of furnishing the heat required
The question of adopting the order was taken by yeas and Nays with the following result—
In the affirmative Seven – Negative one the order was adopted and sent down for concurrence

Adjourned:
Charles E Gilmore
City Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen.

October 7. 1872

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Hoskins, Davis, Rice, Fisher, Gray and Bennett present.

Record of last meeting read and approved

On motion of Alderman Bennett the Rules and Orders in relation to the regular order of business were suspended.

City Hall Heating order

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
The Board of Aldermen October 7. 1872.
Whereas there is a disagreement between this Board and that of the Common Council in regard to the manner of heating the City Hall Building, and preferring Hot-Air Furnaces, the Allen Steam Heating Apparatus

Now therefore in order to settle this question upon what is deemed to be a fair and honorable basis for both branches of the City Council, it is hereby proposed to the Common Council, to refer this question to a select Committee of three, to consist of the Mayor the President of the Common Council and the City Solicitor, and it is hereby ordered that the Committee on Public Property is hereby instructed to proceed forthwith to put into the City Hall Building such apparatus for heating the same whether Hot Air Furnaces, or Steam Heating Apparatus as the aforesaid Committee shall recommend, having due regard to thoroughness and economy.
The adoption of the order was refused
4 voting in the negative and 3 in the affirmative

October 7, 1872.

Alderman Burnett offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen October 7. 1872.

Ordered that it be referred to the Common Council to refer the question of the manner of heating the City Hall Building to a committee of six persons, three from this Board and three from the Common Council to be selected as follows, Write the names of the Board of Aldermen upon ballots and deposit the same in a box Prepare ballots in the same manner in the Common Council then let three names be drawn from the Boxes in each Board, in such a manner that the drawer shall be ignorant of the name upon the ballot, — City Hall

The Committee thus appointed to decide the manner of heating the building aforesaid, in case there should be a tie vote in this Committee then the Mayor shall be added thereto and give the casting vote. — heating

And it is hereby Ordered that the Committee on Public Property is hereby instructed forthwith to put into said City Hall Building such apparatus for heating the same as the aforesaid Committee shall recommend, having due regard to thoroughness and economy

The order now rejected.

Paper from the Common Council

In the City Council of the City of Somerville — Health ✓

Ordered

That the Committee on Health be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to make such contracts, as to them shall seem best, with any Physician or Physicians of the City of Somerville for the vaccination of persons residing in said city and to purchase vaccine matter for such purpose. Order adopted and sent up for concurrence — Vaccination Order

In Board of Aldermen October 7 Concurred in

Orders from the Common Council October 7, 1872.

In the City Council of the City of Somerville sitting as a Board of Health

Ordered

That whereas persons ~~[illegible]~~ residing in the house occupied by Thomas Preston and situated on Pearl Street and near Cross Street in this City are infected with the small pox or other sickness, dangerous to the public health, and whereas it is necessary for the safety of the inhabitants and to prevent infection, that such cases of small pox or other infectious diseases should be properly isolated. That all persons, excepting the attending physicians and nurses, be and they are hereby are forbidden to go into or from said house during the continuance of said contagious disease or diseases therein, unless an absolute necessity shall be shown therefor, and that the chief of police is hereby ordered to see that said house is properly isolated in accordance with this order.

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen October 7 Concurred in

Stables

The petition of Byron Roberts and others for permission to build a wood one stable of a capacity of more than four horses in the rear of Franklin Avenue was referred to Committee on Licenses

Byron Roberts referred

Petition of Reasby & King

Petition Reasby King & Co for permission to construct a Bulk Head in front of their store near the junction of Medford and Cross Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council October 7 Concurred in

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The report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department was accepted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council October 7 Concurred in. — Fire Dept. — Chf. Engineers report

The report of the Chief of Police was accepted and placed on file — Police Chf. report

Petition of Howard P. Doe and others for a common Sewer in Canal Street was referred to committee on Sewers — Sewer — Canal St. — referred

The petition of James Owens for a License as common auctioneer was referred to the Committee on Licenses — License — James Owens — referred

The petition of Millard Prior and Irving C. Jackson for a License as Common Auctioneer was referred to Committee on Licenses — License — Irving C. Jackson — referred

The petition of James P. Kelly and others for the abatement of a nuisance in Tiger Court was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council October 7 Concurred in — Tiger Court — nuisance ref. — Health Ch.

The petition of Charles B. Allen and others that a sewer be laid on Milk Street from Respect to Medford Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Sewer — referred

Report of Committee on Sewers

On the application of the following named persons for abatement of sewer assessments Your Committee recommend as follows. — Sewer — Abatements

Geo. Wellington Sewer in South Street	$31.50
Patrick Geely Sewer in South Street	2.84
Charles Abbrand Sewer in Boylston Street	12.90

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M P Walker Sewer in Washington Street $65.00 on the application of John Dugan and B F Nichols for abatement of assessments for sewers in Washington Street and Prospect Street. Your Committee report that they see no reason for making the abatement asked for and recommend leave to withdraw. Report accepted and adopted.

Florence St Sewer report

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of D F Crane and others for a Sewer in Florence Street respectfully report that the convenience of the inhabitants require that a sewer should be constructed in said street; and we recommend that the Sewer Committee be authorized and instructed to construct a sewer as petitioned for whenever the abutters shall have executed a proper release and right of way through said street waiving all claims for damages, and agreeing to pay such portion of the expense thereof as may be assessed by this board on their respective estates, Florence street being an unaccepted street.

Report accepted and adopted

Prospect St Sewer Order

Alderman Glines offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen October 7. 1872

Whereas it appears to this Board to be necessary for the public convenience that a common sewer be constructed in Prospect Street, between Concord avenue and Oak Street, Notice of the intention of this Board to construct said sewer has been given. It is hereby ordered that the Committee on Sewers be and they are hereby ordered to construct a sewer in that portion of said street, and to report to this board the expense thereof, and the assessment of the same proper to be made upon persons benefited

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Thirty, when said sewer shall have been completed.
The order was adopted.

Alderman Quinn offered the following order.
In Board of Aldermen October 7. 1872
Whereas it appears to this board to be necessary for the public convenience, and the public health, that a common sewer be constructed in Concord Avenue, beginning at Prospect Street and continuing a distance of ... feet, Public notice of the intention of this board to construct said sewer has been given, It is hereby ordered that the committee on sewers be and they hereby are directed to construct a common sewer in said street whenever the owners thereof execute a proper release to the city a right of way, and receiving all claims for land damages therefor; Concord Avenue being an unaccepted street, and to report the expense thereof, and the assessment of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this board when said sewer shall have been completed.
Order adopted.

Concord Ave Sewer Order

Alderman Hall offered the following Order
In Board of Aldermen October 7. 1872.
Ordered
That the action of the Committee on Public Property in regard to alterations and repairs of the Public Buildings be sustained, and the bills be paid from the regular appropriation
The adoption of the order was refused.

Committee on Public Property motion to sustain

On motion of Alderman Tucker the hearing in relation to filling the flats and lands of the basins of Millers River was postponed for one week.

Millers River Hearing postponed

Oct. 7, 1872.

Alderman Flinder offered the following order.

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

October 7, 1872.

Ordered

Board Lists

That this Board will be in session on Wednesday the sixteenth day of October instant at 7½ o'clock P.M. for the purpose of making alphabetical lists of all the persons qualified to vote for the general officers to be elected on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November next. That such lists be printed under the direction of the committee on printing, with notice printed upon the same, of the time and place of holding the sessions of this Board in which are to be held upon the day before said election, and before the opening of the polls upon the day of election for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualifications of persons claiming a right to vote in said elections, and of correcting the lists of voters: that the city messenger shall on or before Friday Oct. 25th next cause such lists to be posted up in two or more public places in each ward respectively, and shall return to the city clerk his certificate of having so posted up such lists, and that this Board will also be in session at the times and places specified in the accompanying order, and for the purposes therein stated.

The order was adopted.

Alderman Fletcher offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

October 7, 1872.

Ordered

That notice be given by publication three times in the Somerville Journal, that this Board will be in session at their room in the City Hall on Wednesday the sixteenth day of October instant at 7½ o'clock P.M.

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on Monday Nov 4th next at Seven o'Clock P. M. and on Tuesday November 5th A. M. for two hours before the opening of the polls, namely from Nine to Eleven o'clock A. M. for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualifications of persons claiming a right to vote at the election, and of making and correcting the lists of voters, - and that names cannot be added to the voting lists after they have been placed in the hands of Ward Officers on the day of the election, unless the qualifications of the voter have been determined by the Mayor and aldermen at a meeting held before the opening of the polls.
The order was adopted.

Winter Hill Hose change of name referred

The communication from the Board of Engineers in reference to the change of the name of the Winter Hill Hose Company was referred to the Committee on Fire department and petitions for concurrence.
In Common Council October 7 Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

Petition of Dan'l McBann Report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred a communication from Daniel McBann, recommend that as there is no drain in the locality, that sidewalks be constructed and gutters paved, as the only feasible mode to remedy the evils complained of.
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 7 Concurred in.

Washington & Edgestone report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of A. F. Crane and others for the setting of edgestones and paving of sidewalks in Washington Street recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.
Report accepted adopted sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 7 Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

Holland St culvert report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Jonas A. Shedd and others for opening of a culvert in Holland Street, report that the culvert was placed under said street when the street was constructed, for the purpose of draining the adjacent lands; and by the building of a private street to intersect said Holland Street, the purpose of said culvert was closed; and the committee recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, the city having no legal right to open a culvert on private property.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council October 7. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

New Pinesburg St laying out of report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Jo F. Shaw and others for the laying out of New Pinesburg Street, report that the said street has been once laid out and is not in an acceptable condition, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council October 7. Concurred in

Charles St acceptance of report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Albert Aiken and others for the acceptance of Charles Street, report that said street on account of its being less than forty feet in width, cannot be made suitable for acceptance, and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council October 7. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of David Fruchtmann and others for the setting of edgestones on Walnut Street - recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council October 7. Concurred in

Walnut St. Edgestones report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Peter W. Lemay and others for the acceptance of Paramenelo Street, report that they find themselves unable to make any arrangement with the Fitchburg Railroad Company in regard to the laying out of said street, and recommend that the subject be referred to the City Solicitor

Accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council October 7. Concurred in

Sacramento St. acceptance report

Sidewalks

Alderman Pew offered the following order for the construction of sidewalks

City of Somerville.
October 7th 1872.

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Resolved that the public convenience requires that sidewalks be graded, and partially constructed sidewalks completed as hereinafter stated, and upon an public notice of the intention of this Board to grade, construct and complete said sidewalks has been given.

It is therefore hereby ordered that sidewalks be graded and constructed, and partially constructed sidewalks completed in the following named streets of said city as hereinafter specified, and with or without edgestones and covered with materials as respectively hereinafter specified to wit

Order

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Sidewalks on the north westerly side of Spring street from Summer Street to the point where edgestones are already set, to be covered with gravel and with edgestones and to be of the width of those already set. Spring St

Sidewalks on the southeasterly side of Summer Street from the West School House to Tyler Street to be covered with brick, and with edgestones except where some set, and to be of the width of 7 to 8 feet. Summer St

The grades of all said sidewalks are to conform as near as practicable to the grades of the streets; the gutters are to be paved, and all matters not herein particularly specified in regard to the construction of said sidewalks are to be determined by the Committee on Highways, to whom full authority is hereby given for that purpose.

And that the Committee on Highways be and they hereby are directed and authorized to grade, construct and complete said sidewalks as aforesaid, and in the manner aforesaid, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof and of the assessments of the same in their judgment proper to be made upon the abutters upon such sidewalks, to this Board; when said sidewalks respectively shall have been completed.

Order Adopted and sent down for Concurrence
In Common Council October 7 Concurred in

Alderman Gilmore moved that the Committee on Public Property be instructed to heat the City Hall Building with steam

The motion was rejected

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

October 14. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Hawkins, Davis, Poor, Fuller, Gains and Bennett present

Record of last meeting read and approved.

The petition of Addison Smith and others that Edge Stone Sidewalks be laid on both sides of Medford Street from Washington Street to Highland Avenue was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 14. Concurred in

Petition of H. R. Bishop and others that sidewalks be laid upon Broadway from the Charlestown line to Cutter Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 14. 1872 Concurred in

Petition of Geo. H. Hunnewell and Company for leave to erect a Stable on their premises was referred to the Committee on Licenses with full powers.

Petition of W. S. Woodward and John Fenton for Sewer in Moland Street was referred to Committee on Sewers.

Alderman Hall offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen October 14th 1872
Ordered That a Convention of the City Council be held Monday evening next 21st instant at eight o'clock, for the purpose of electing by joint ballot, nine persons to be Trustees of the Public Library, three for the term of three years, three for the term of two years, three for the term of one year
Adopted and sent down for concurrence October 14 Concurred in

Medford St. Edgestones referred

Broadway Edgestones referred

Stable G. H. Hunnewell referred

Moseland St. Sewer referred

Public Library Trustees Order

October 14, 1872.

The communication from the School Board in relation to the repairs on the Prescott School Building was laid on the table. — Prescott School repairs

The communication of Mehitable B Parkhurst, Agent of the Board of Health in relation to a case of Contagious disease in Cotton Street was accepted and his action ratified, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 14. 1872. Concurred in — Contagious Disease

The petition of George H Wyatt and George H Walkins for a Sewer in Gardner Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers — Gardner St Sewer referred

Petition of E B Buckingham and others for a sewer in Beacon Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Beacon St Sewer referred

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles A Mandell and others for a sewer in Chauncy Street Respectfully report, that for the want of a proper outlet your Committee think it inexpedient to construct a sewer as petitioned for, and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw
Report accepted and adopted. — Chauncy St Sewer report

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles C Allen and others for a sewer in Mill Street Respectfully report that in consequence of the flatness of the grades and for the want of a proper outlet for the same we recommend leave to withdraw
Report accepted and adopted — Mill St Sewer report

Report of Committee on Sewers and order

Your Committee respectfully report on the petition of John Sullivan and Walcot E. Woodward for a sewer in Moreland Street that the convenience of the inhabitants on that street require that a sewer should be constructed in said street.

Ordered that a notice be served on all of the persons on Moreland Street that this board will at the Aldermen Room on Monday October the 9th at 8 o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing said sewer, and of assessing the expense thereof upon persons benefited thereby. All persons objecting thereto will then and there be heard.

Report accepted and order adopted

Moreland St Sewer report

Report of Committee on Licenses

Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Byron Roberts and others for a license to erect and keep a stable for more than four horses, on lot 5 land near Franklin Street.

Respectfully recommend that a license be granted, and that the be required to fill and erect this building to conform to the grade act of 1.5 feet above mean low water, and the City Engineer is hereby instructed to give the proper grade and levels therefor.

Report accepted and adopted

Stable
B. Roberts
report

Report of Committee on Licenses

On the petition of Shaw and Jackson for a license on a common lot at the intersection of Hanover and Hall Avenue square we recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted and adopted.

License
Shaw & Jackson
report

Report of the Committee on Health Oct. 14, 1872.

Upon the order of the Board of Aldermen authorizing the Committee on health to contract with one or more Physicians for free vaccination of the persons of the residents of the City of Somerville, and to purchase vaccine matter for such purpose. — Health / Vaccination report

The Committee on health would report that they have attended to this duty and have made a Contract with the following physicians, namely.

for Ward One Wm P. Hunnewell & Stanford Hanscom

" Ward Two Wm H. Dow and E. L. White

" Ward Three Reuben Mills

" Ward Four Horace Chapin for free vaccination to the residents of the City of Somerville, who may apply to them therefor and to call at the residence of such as requested.

The compensation as agreed upon to be Two hundred and fifty dollars each, time of service to extend to April 1st 1873. The vaccine matter to be procured at the expense of the City.

Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence In Common Council October 14. Concurred in —

Millers River hearing postponed

On motion of Alderman Bennett the hearing in relation to filling the flats and lands of the basins of Millers River was postponed for one week.

Pearl St extension report

Report of the Committee of Conference on the extension of Pearl Street —

In Board of Aldermen October 14. 1872

The Committee of Conference on the extension of Pearl Street having attended to the duty assigned them, report that they are unable to agree, and ask that they may be discharged from the further consideration of the matter.

The report was accepted committee discharged and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Oct 14 Concurred in

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In accordance with an order passed September 30th a hearing was held in reference to raising the grade of low lands between Brown (therein called Oliver Street), Cross Street, Tufts Street, Washington, and Franklin Streets - no other appearing the hearing was closed.

Low Lands Grade Oliver St - hearing

Order

Alderman Hall offered the following order -

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

October 14, 1872.

By virtue and in pursuance of the authority conferred by Chapter two hundred and ninety nine of the statutes of the Commonwealth for the year 1872, public notice of the intention of this Board to pass the order, hereinafter written, having been given, it is hereby

Ordered

That with reference to a complete drainage of the lands named in this order, so as to abate and prevent nuisance and to preserve the public health of the city, the several owners of lands, the surface of which is below thirteen feet above mean low water, lying within the territory in this city bounded as follows, namely

Northeasterly by Oliver Street, (therein called) Brown Street Northwesterly by Cross Street, Southwesterly by Tufts Street; Southerly by Washington Street Southeasterly by Franklin Street.

meaning hereby the territory lying between and bounded by the aforesaid streets, be and they hereby are ordered to raise the grade of their said lands filling up the same with good materials to a grade not less than thirteen feet above mean low water and to raise the grade of all private streets, courts, and ways, upon their said lands, filling up the same with good materials to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water, and in case any such owner fails to

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comply with this order within six months after service thereof, as required by said Chapter two hundred and ninety nine, this Board will forthwith proceed to raise the grade of the lands and private ways streets, courts, and ways, the grade of which is hereby ordered to be raised by such owner, filling up the same with good materials to the grades respectively as specified in this order, and collect the expenses thereof and all necessary expenses incurred thereby and take such other proceedings in the premises, as may be deemed expedient and proper, all as provided by said Chapter two hundred and ninety nine.

And the City Engineer is ordered to furnish the proper grades to all persons affected by this order and to raise the grade of any and all public streets bordering upon any of the lands, the grade of which is hereby ordered to be raised filling up such streets with good materials, to a grade not less than fifteen feet above mean low water.

This order shall be served as required by said Chapter two hundred and ninety nine, and evidence of such service shall be preserved by the City Clerk. All expenses incurred by the City under this order shall be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses.

In Board of Aldermen Oct 14 Order adopted — City Hall

Heating

On motion of Alderman Gaines the order received from the Common Council September 25th in reference to heating the City Hall Building and laid upon the table by this Board September 30th was taken from the table for consideration.

reconsideration

Upon motion of Alderman Fisher the question of concurring with the Common Council in the adoption of the order was taken by yeas and Nays with the following result — Yeas 3. Nays 4 non concurring with the Council

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

October 16. 1872.

Aldermen Hall, Haskins, Davis, Poor, Ricker, Chase, Gilmore and Bennett present

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In the absence of the Mayor Alderman Poor was elected Chairman

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On motion of Alderman Bennett the reading of the records was dispensed with

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On motion of Alderman Bennett the Rules and Orders in relation to the regular order of business was suspended.

Proceeded to receive evidence of the qualification of voters for the purpose of adding their names to the voting list — Voters qualified

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All persons present having been heard the further adding of names to the voting list was suspended and on motion of Alderman Bennett proceeded to the regular order of business

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The communication of Charles P. Hall in reference to the sewer in Oak Street was referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Oak St. Sewer referred

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Report and Order of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways October 16. 1872

To the City Council of the City of Somerville — Orchard St.

The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the matter of the laying out of Orchard street as described in the order herein annexed, report as follows, namely — laying out of report

That they met and heard all persons and corporations

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interested, who claimed to be heard, having caused due notice thereof to be made and served, as appears by the order of notice and return thereto annexed, that they viewed the premises and caused the admeasurements and boundaries of the said street or way to be marked out on the premises, and such admeasurements and boundaries, the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, the names of all owners of land included therein and sustaining damage by the laying out of such street, with the amount of damage proper and reasonable to be awarded to each of said owners, are described and specified in the order herewith transmitted, which is made a part of this Report; that the Committee find and report that the common convenience and necessity require that said street should be laid out as aforesaid, and that the names hereto annexed are the names of all persons who claimed before the Committee a hearing in relation to said matter.

And said Committee report the accompanying Resolve and Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted

By order of the Committee

Order of Street by City Council

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council

October 16, 1872.

Orchard St. laying out

Order.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that Orchard Street should be laid out from Dover Street to Cambridge line, as a public street or way of the said City as shown on a plan and referred to and described in a report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto said plan and report being deposited in the

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office of the City Clerk, it is therefore hereby ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law, and to be served by any Constable of the City of Somerville, be given to Henry R. Gove, John M. Lovering, Benjamin Applin Heirs of Mary A. Burrell, Andrew C. Walker, Charles P. Kirby, Chester M. Wingley, Franklin M. Poor, Nancy Bionihanger, Edward T. Merrill, Barnaby Haskell, Robert and John Henderson, Barzada Butler, Herbert F. Merrill, James G. Woodward, Mary R. Merrill, Samuel J. Gear, Rev. John B. Perry, Isaac McLaine, Chester W. Clark, Ralph Day, Brigham Burrell, Bradford F. Clark, Ralph Day, Osborn Stearns, William H. Shannon and all other persons and corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the street before mentioned by taking a portion of their land, and laying out the same as a public street, and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby, and that Monday the 28th day of October A.D. 1872, at eight o'clock P.M. and the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and by the Common Council of any objections which may be made thereto.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council Charles E. Gilman, City Clerk.

Report accepted, order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council October 16, Concurred, in

Roseland St laying out

Report and Order of the Committee on Highways City of Somerville

report

In Committee on Highways October 10, 1872,

To the City Council of the City of Somerville

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of the laying out of Roseland Street, as described in the orders herein annexed, report as follows namely,

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That they met and heard all persons and corporations interested, who claimed to be heard, having caused due notice thereof to be made and proved, as appears by the order of notice and return thereto annexed;
That they viewed the premises and caused the admeasurements and boundaries of the said street or way to be marked out on the premises and such admeasurements and boundaries, the manner in which such laying out should be completed, the names of all persons owners of land included therein and sustaining damage by the laying out of such street, with the amount of damage proper and reasonable to be awarded to each of said owners, described and specified in the Order herewith transmitted, which is made a part of this Report: that the Committee laid out as aforesaid, and that the names hereto annexed are the names of all persons who claimed before the Committee a hearing in relation to said matter.
And said Committee Report the accompanying Resolve and Order.

Order City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen and in Common Council

October 14, 1872

Roseland St laying out Order

Whereas in the opinion of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and of the Common Council, the common safety, convenience and necessity of the inhabitants require that Roseland Street should be laid out from Cambridge line to Beacon Street, as a public street or way of the said City, as shown on a plan, and referred to and described in a Report of the Committee on Highways in regard thereto, said plan and report being deposited in the office of the City Clerk, It is therefore hereby ordered that due notice in the manner provided by law, and to be served by any Constable of the City of Somerville, be given to John S Dadd, Charles Marshall Heirs of Dr John Appleton and all other persons and

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corporations interested, that it is the intention of the City Council to lay out the place before mentioned by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street, and to estimate the damages occasioned thereby, and that Monday the 28th day of October A.D. 1872, at eight o clock P.M., and the Common Council Room, in the City Hall, on Highland Avenue are appointed as the time and place for the hearing by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, and by the Common Council of any objections which may be made thereto.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council

The report was accepted and the order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council October 14. Concurred in

The matter of placing the name of John O'Brien upon the voting list was deferred till the next meeting of the Board.

Adjourned to Friday evening next at Seven o clock

Attest — Charles E. Gilmore
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen — Oct. 18, 1872

October 18. 1872

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Blackburn, Davis, Poor, Thurber, Chase, Olivo and Bennett present.

The meeting was for the purpose of revising the voting lists and adding the names of legal voters to said lists

Voted To strike from the voting lists the names of all persons who have not paid a tax within two years, and the list as revised was adopted and the Committee on printing was instructed to have the same printed.

Non Tax Payers names to be stricken from voting lists

Adjourned to meet on Wednesday evening October 30 at 7 o'clock for the purpose of adding the names of legal voters to the lists

Attest Charles E Gilman
City Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
October 21. 1872

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Glatt, Blackburn, Davis, Poor, Thurber, Chase, Olivo and Bennett present

The reading of the records was dispensed with

October 21, 1872.

In accordance with an order passed October 14th the two Branches met in Convention for the purpose of electing nine Trustees of the Public Library — Public Library

City Council in Convention

Mayor presiding — Trustees elected

Aldermen Hastings, Councilmen Pope and Morrison were appointed a Committee to collect, assort and count the votes for three Trustees of the Public Library for three years.

Report of Committee

Whole number of votes		18
Necessary for a choice		10
J. P. Marshall	had	18 & was elected
Huston Belknap	had	17 & was elected
C. H. Guild	had	8
G. C. Bradlow	had	9
H. H. Hunter	had	1
S. G. Bowman	had	1

There being a vacancy proceeded to the election of a third Trustee

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots		19
Necessary for a choice		10
Charles H. Guild	had	13 & was elected
G. C. Bradlow	had	5
H. H. Hunter	had	1

Trustees elected for three years.
J. P. Marshall, Huston Belknap, C. H. Guild

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The same committee were authorised to collect and count the ballots for three trustees for the term of two years.

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots		20
Necessary for a choice		11
Quincy O'Brien	had	19 + was elected
D C Booth	had	14 + was elected
M Cannavan	"	7
Frank Mallahan	"	1
D B Chase	"	3
G O Bradford	"	1
Morse	"	1
Booth	"	1
H Ch Finlen	"	7
G G Pope	"	1
Edwin Mills	"	1
S Z Barnum	"	1
Fisher	"	1
Bradford	"	2

There being a vacancy proceeded to the election of a Third Trustee for the term of two years.

Report of Committee

Whole number of ballots		20
Necessary for a choice		11
M Cannavan		7
H Ch Finlen		6
M Cannavan		3
M Cannavan		1
Bradford		1
Ed Mills		1
G O Bradford		1

There being no choice proceeded to another Ballot for a Third Trustee

Report of Committee. October 21. 1872.

Whole number of ballots _____ 20
Necessary for a choice _____ 11
Wm McCanaman had 15 _____ & was elected
Wm H Fisher " 5 _____

Proceed to the election of three Trustees for the Term of one year

Whole number of votes _____ 20
Necessary for a choice _____ 11
George O Bradlow had 18 & was elected
Wm H Fisher had 17 & was elected
S Z Bowman had 16 & was elected
E G Pope " 1 _____
Ed Milly " 2 _____
Z Bradlow " 2 _____
Fisher " 2 _____
Bowman " 2 _____

Trustees Elected

For the term of Three years
J P Marshall. Austin Bellhorp. Charles H Guild

For the Term of Two years.
Quincy A Minal. E. C. Bodell. Wm McCanaman

For the Term of One year
George O Bradlow, William H Fisher, S Z Bowman.

The object for which the Convention was called having been accomplished the Convention was dissolved

Upon the reassembling of the Board.
The Rules and Orders in relation to the regular order of business was suspended

October 21, 1872.

In accordance with an order passed October 14th a hearing was held in reference to the construction of a sewer in Rhoeland Street.
No Whitcomb was present and opposed the building of the sewer.
No other person appearing the hearing was closed

Rhoeland St Sewer hearing

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council October 14, 1872.
Ordered
That the City Solicitor be paid the sum of one thousand dollars for extra services during the present year said sum to be taken from the appropriation for contingent expenses.
Addition of the order concurred in
Under a suspension of the Rules and Orders, received its second reading and final passage

City Solicitor Extra compensation

The communication of the Schools Committee, in reference to the petition of John Manahan was referred to the Committee on water and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council October 28. 1872. Concurred in.

Harvard Dist. Manahan petition referred

The petition of Hugh Blackwell for compensation for loss of a horse was referred to the committee on highways and sent down for concurrence,
In Common Council October 28. Concurred in

Claim of Mr Blackwell referred

The petition of Thomas J. McCormick for License as a Common Victualler was referred to the Committee on Licenses with full powers.

License T. J. McCormick referred

The petition of Frank O Hudson for License to keep a Billiard Room in Union Square was referred to the Committee on Licenses with full powers

License F. O. Hudson referred

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The Mayor was authorized to draw a warrant on the City Treasurer in favor of the several persons whose names are borne on the Pay roll of Company B. 5th Regiment for Camp Duty amounting to $47.50 — Co. B. 5th Reg Pay roll Order.

On motion of Alderman Bennett the hearing in relation to filling the flats and Basins of Millers River was postponed for one week. — Millers River hearing postponed

Report of Committee on Public Property

The Committee on Public Property appointed by the City Council and authorized by the ordinances of the City to make all the repairs or alterations necessary or proper on School Houses, submit herewith a report, induced by a communication to the City Council from the School Committee touching certain repairs in the Prescott School House.

The Committee desire to premise however, that repairs have been made upon nearly all the School buildings of the City, many of them were found to be in a very filthy ~~condition~~ and dilapidated condition, and the outhouses would disgrace a community if one could be found, — that had never heard of a School House, (scarcely a key to an outhouse door could be found) hinges, and even locks were torn from the doors, and in some instances the doors were stowed away in the cellars or sheds, so filthy were some of the outhouses, that workmen positively refused to work upon them until they had been cleansed by the use of hand hose and Mystic Water.

On the Prospect Hill School House the janitor has been allowed to dispose of the ashes by throwing them in the yard and against the clapboards of the house through and from window — Prescott School repairs — report of Committee on Public Property — Orders

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At the outhouse of the Franklin School house the floor had been torn up and thrown into the vaults, and the School Committee recommended a new floor, while the repairs were being made upon the outhouse of the Irvin School house, a resident in the vicinity, and a parent of one of the pupils stated to a member of the Committee, that he had kept his child from School, on account of the wretched condition of the premises

The Prescott School house was found to be in a filthy condition, the walls and ceilings ~~ceilings~~ in the whole building evidently parted company with the plaster years ago, though the janitor intimated to the committee that he should probably do something about cleaning the inside of the building before the commencement of the School term in September. The out houses and vaults of the building were filthy beyond description, and in that particular completely distanced the out houses of all the other School houses in the City.

Had the State Board of Health visited this locality when they visited Millers River basin, they would by comparison at once have pronounced the latter locality as sweet as a nut, guiding this state of things, this Committee at once set themselves at work to remedy this disgraceful nuisance.

After careful thought and several discussions upon the subject it was unanimously decided by the Committee to remove the out buildings, and place water closets in the basement. In doing this the Committee, amenable to the City Council, and to you, the body, may have exceeded their authority, but if so it was unintentional, the desire being to place the building in a suitable condition for the purpose for which it was intended, at the least possible cost. The committee instructed the chairman to ascertain

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the best substitute for the outhouses, and he at once called upon Mr. Jno Mills & Company Plumbers of Boston, and by junior partner of the firm we were advised to adopt a plan precisely similar in principle to the plan which was subsequently adopted by the Commission, and which, he said had been found to be best adapted to the purpose desired in the public buildings in New York City. The Chairman subsequently ascertained that the closet recommended by the Mills Mills being made of iron was not so desirable as if built of brick, and after reporting to the Commission, it was decided to construct of brick; and the work was consequently awarded to a plumber who had had experience in constructing with this material.

In the communication referred to, the School Committee state that a statement of the alterations desired and particularly of the nature of the repairs on the water closets was submitted in writing; it may have been so but never to this Committee.

The School Committee complain also, that the janitor's apartments have not been removed to the front part of the buildings, but this Committee had already been instructed by the City Council to consider the feasibility of preparing this part of the basement for a Ward room, and will soon report upon the matter.

The Committee ask the City Council to instruct the committee on accounts, to approve the bills consequent upon this and other repairs and work upon the Prescott School House, amounting to $1457.79/100. This Committee already having done so, and the City Ordinances require only the approval of the Auditor and Committee on accounts, for work on the Public Buildings after the bills have been certified by the Committee on Public Property.

John R. Poor. John C. Hall. Clement French.
Wesley C. Crane.

Committee on Public Property.

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On motion of Alderman Bennett the report was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Shurtleff, the communication of the School Committee in reference to the repairs on Prescott School House was taken from the table.

On motion of Alderman Shurtleff
Ordered That a committee be appointed two from this branch and three from the Common Council to be appointed by the presiding officer to confer with a committee from the School Board.
Aldermen Shurtleff and Hastings were appointed on the part of this branch and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 28. Non concurred and

On motion of Alderman Bennett the report of the committee on Public Property was referred to the special committee on repairs of the Prescott School House.

Alderman Gines offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen October 21. 1872.
Ordered
That the bills contracted for the repairs and alteration of School buildings as referred to in the report of the committee on Public Property be paid and the committee on accounts be hereby instructed to approve the same
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 28 Concurred in.

Oak Street

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Your committee to whom was referred the communication of Charles D. Hill in reference to the obstruction of a sewer in Oak Street respectfully report and recommend that the City take possession of that portion of the Oak Street sewer lying between the Bainbridge line and the angle in Oak Street where Oak Street turns towards Prospect Street.

Sewer

report

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when all of the owners execute a proper release to the city of the right of way in said street and on the receipt of such release the sewer committee are hereby authorized to make all necessary repairs on said sewer.
Report accepted and adopted.

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Canal St Sewer report

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Howard Cobb and others for a sewer in Canal Street respectfully report that the convenience of the inhabitants requires that a sewer should be laid in said street.
And your committee recommend that the sewer committee be authorized to construct a sewer in a portion of said street providing all of the owners release to the City the right of way for a sewer and agreeing to pay such assessment as the Board of Aldermen may lay on their respective estates. Canal Street being a private way.
Report accepted and adopted

Report of Committee on Sewers & Order

Maland St Sewer report & order

Whereas it appears to this board to be necessary for the public convenience that a common sewer be constructed in Maland street, and notice of the intention to construct said sewer has been given it is hereby ordered that the committee on Sewers be and they hereby are directed to construct a common sewer in said street, and to report the expense thereof and the assessment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby to this board when said sewer shall have been completed.
In Board of Aldermen Report accepted and adopted

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Alderman Glines offered the following order.
In Board of Aldermen October 21. 1872.
Ordered.
That due notice be given to John O'Brien to construct a properly constructed cesspool through which to empty the commencement in Oak Street within six days from the date hereof in accordance with section 4 of ordinance No 20 in relation to sewers and drains.
Order adopted.

John O'Brien
Cesspool order

Adjourned To meet tomorrow morning Tuesday the 22d at 7½ o'clock.

Attest Charles E. Gilmore
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen October 22. 1872.
Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hoalt, Hashing, Davis, Kirber, Chase Glines and Bennett present

The reading of the records was dispensed with.

Alderman Bennett offered the following order.
In Board of Aldermen October 22. 1872.
Ordered
That the four accompanying warrants for the election of Wards and other officers on the fifth day of November not be adopted, and that said warrants respectively be served by posting copies in the same respectively in not less than four public places in each Ward, and by publishing the same in the Somerville Journal a newspaper published in this City

Warrants for election order.

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once, to print in the said newspaper to be published the current week, such posting of said notice to be made seven days at least before the time of holding such meeting, and said constables respectively to return the said Warrants respectively to the Wardens of the several Wards with the doings of said Constables thereon. An Board of Aldermen Order adopted.

Copy of Warrant Ward One.
City of Somerville

(In part) Constables of the City of Somerville: Greeting.
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No 1 qualified to vote as the law directs, to assemble at the hall in the Prescott School building on Broadway on Tuesday the fifth day of November 1872 at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four and one half o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for two Electors at large and eleven district electors of President and Vice President of the United States; also to give in their ballots for the following officers of this Commonwealth namely a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, also for one Councillor for Councillor District No 6. One Senator for the second Middlesex Senatorial District; three Representatives to the General Court for the 4th Middlesex Representative District; one County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, one Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No 5.
The polls for the choice of all the General officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at 11 o'clock A.M. and close at 4 o'clock P.M.
All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot

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Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this twenty second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Attest Charles B. Gilman
City Clerk

(Copy) of Warrant Ward Two
City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville, Greeting.
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No 2, qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble at Warren Hall in Union Square on Tuesday the fifth day of November, 1872, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon and from that time until four and one half o'clock in the afternoon; then and there to give in their ballots for two Electors at large and eleven district electors of President and Vice President of the United States; also to give in their ballots for the following officers of this Commonwealth, namely, a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General; also for one Councillor for Councillor District No 6, one Senator for the 2d Middlesex Senatorial District, three Representatives to the General Court for the 4th Middlesex Representative District One County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, one Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No. 6.

The polls for the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will

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be opened as aforesaid at eleven o'clock P.M. and close at half past 1 o'clock P.M.
All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon.

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this twenty second day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two by order of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Attest Charles J. Gilman
City Clerk.

City of Somerville Ward Three.

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No. 3. qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble in the Hall of the Broadway School House on Sycamore Street on Tuesday the fifth day of November 1872. at eleven o'clock in the forenoon and from that time until four and one half o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for two Electors at large and eleven district electors of President and Vice President of the United States; also to give in their ballots for the following officers of this Commonwealth, namely: A Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, Also for one Councillor for Councillor District No. 6, One Senator for the 2d Middlesex Senatorial District Three Representatives to the General Court for the 4th Middlesex

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Representative District, one County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex. One Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No. 5.
The polls for the choice of all the General officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at 11 o clock P.M. and close at 4 o clock P.M.
All the foregoing are to be voted for on ballot

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this twenty second day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two
By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Attest Charles E Gilman
City Clerk.

Copy of Warrant Ward Four

City of Somerville
To any Constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No 4. qualified to vote, as the law directs to assemble in the Hall of the Morse School building on Summer Street on Tuesday the fifth day of November, 1872, at eleven o clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four and one half o clock in the afternoon, then and there, to give in their ballots for two electors at large and eleven district electors of President and Vice President of the United States; also to give in their ballots for the following officers for this Commonwealth namely a. Governor, Lieut Governor,

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Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, also for one Councillor for Councillor District No. 6.
One Senator for the Middlesex Senatorial District, three Representatives to the General Court for the Fourth Middlesex Representative District, One County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, One Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No. 5.
The polls for the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at eleven o'clock P.M. and close at 4 o'clock P.M.
All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon.

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this twenty second day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy two
By Order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Attest Charles E. Gilman
City Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

October 28. 1872.

Aldermen Hall, Hastings, Davis, Poor, Fisher, Chase, Gline and Bennett present

In the absence of the Mayor Alderman Poor was elected Chairman

Petition of Thomas J. Priol and others for a sewer in Mount Vernon St. was referred to the Committee on Sewers — Ald. Hall — Sewer referred

Petition of John O'Brien and others that Brick Yard Lane so called from Prospect Street to Webster Avenue be laid out 50 feet wide and prescribed was referred to Committee on Highways and petitioners for concurrence. In Common Council Concurred in — Petition of John O'Brien and others — Lane laying out referred

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council October 28. 1872.
Ordered
That the Physicians appointed by the Board of Health be requested to make a monthly report of the number of persons vaccinated
In Common Council Order adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen October 28. Concurred in — Vaccination — order for physicians to report monthly

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council October 28. 1872.
Ordered that the Committee on Ordinances be requested to prepare an Ordinance defining the duties of the Committee on Public Property, and present the same to the City Council for their action
In Common Council adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen October 28 Concurred in — Committee on Public Property — order defining duties to be prepared

Report of Committee on Health

On petition of James P. Kelley and others complaining of a nuisance in Tiger Court consisting of an accumulation of water in said Court;

The Committee on Health have examined the premises and find quite a quantity of water in the court caused by the grade of the Court being much lower than the surrounding land, and at every heavy rain water runs into it, and the abutting should cause the same to be filled.

The Committee think that this is a matter the City has nothing to do with and would recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council November 6. Concurred in.

Tiger Court nuisance report.

Alderman Chase offered the following Order.

In Board of Aldermen October 28. 1872.

Ordered.

That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Property be authorized and instructed to complete and finish the Stable in Marshall Street - Hose House.

Also finish the stable sleeping apartments for the use of the driver of the Hose Carriage.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council October 28. 1872. Concurred in.

Marshall St. Hose House Stable order to finish

City Hall heating

Order from the Common Council

In Common Council October 28. 1872.

Ordered that the Committee on Public Property be requested to proceed forthwith to put in a suitable heating apparatus for the purpose of making the City Hall comfortable for its occupants.

In Common Council adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen October 28 concurred in with the following amendment—

Provided that it shall be heated with stoves or furnaces

order

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and put down for concurrence.
In Common Council October 28, 1872.
Adhered to former action. Sent up for concurrence.

Report of Committee on Streets.
October 28, 1872.

Your Committee respectfully report that a sewer has been constructed by Brennan & Mc Cormillion on Warren, Washington and Franklin Streets a distance of two thousand three hundred and twenty six feet — Costing eight thousand five hundred and fifty two & 54/100 dollars.

Of the above expense your Committee recommend that the sum of three thousand six hundred seventy five & 19/100 be assessed upon the parties benefited herewith is presented an assessment list and warrant which your Committee desire to make a part of this Report and your Committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith.

Report accepted and recommendations adopted.

Drawer by
Washington St
Franklin St
Sewer
report & assessment list
& order

Sewer assessment to defray, in part the cost of constructing a common sewer, in the City of Somerville in Warren, Washington and Franklin Streets.

owners of estates benefited	number feet of land	valuation	rate of assessment	assessment
Asylum land on Washington Street	28600	10.010.00	31 7/100	320.32
Sarah S Stearns lot 27 on Stearns Plan	7400	2590.00	" "	82.88
Mrs S Stearns " 26 " " "	2750	1375.00	" "	44.00
Mrs Stearns " 25 " " "	6100	2135.00	" "	68.32

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owners of estates benefited	number feet of land	Valuation	Rate per cent of Assessment	Assessments
Eliza T. Stearns lot 24 on Stearns Plan	7100	2485.00	3.22/100	79.52
Richard Stearns " 23 " " "	7100	2485.00	" "	79.52
James H. Stearns " 22 " " "	7100	2485.00	" "	79.52
Mary Ann Stearns Washington street	3450	1207.50	" "	38.64
Michael Dessant " "	3600	1260.00	" "	40.32
John T. Burns cor Charles & Washington "	1500	750.00	" "	24.00
D. P. Warren " " " "	1815	907.00	" "	29.04
Joseph P. Riggs cor Mussey "	650	390.00	" "	12.48
Patrick Murphy in rear of Riggs on Mussey "	750	300.00	" "	9.60
John F. Pillsbury cor Mussey & Wash "	1545	922.50	" "	29.52
William T. Stearns lot 16 on Stearns plan	7100	2485.00	" "	79.52
Harriet Stearns " 15 " " "	7100	2485.00	" "	79.52
George O. Richards Hartley st West side	9666	4059.72	" "	129.91
George H. Richards " " East "	8208	3447.36	" "	110.31
Charles P. Perry " " " "	1458	612.36	" "	19.59
Morgan McCabe Wash. st. N. side	10864	4345.60	" "	139.05
Alfred Taylor " " " "	5900	2655.00	" "	84.96
D. F. Evans " " " "	12960	5832.00	" "	186.62
John H. Carter " " " "	4950	2218.50	" "	70.99
Francis Haynes " " " "	10800	4320.00	" "	138.24
Wm. R. Bradford " " " "	8508	3403.20	" "	108.90
James Gately " " " "	3000	1200.00	" "	38.40
James Gately " " " "	3700	1480.00	" "	47.36
Thomas Murphy " " " "	2800	1120.00	" "	35.84
Mrs P. J. Marr " " " "	5000	2000.00	" "	64.00
Marion Clarke " " " "	5418	2167.20	" "	69.35
James Whitmore " " " "	5460	2184.00	" "	69.88
Benj. Hadley " " " "	2528	1011.20	" "	32.35
Benj. Hadley " Corner of Franklin	4000	1600.00	" "	51.20
Benj. Hadley Franklin st. E. side	2000	900.00	" "	28.80
E. Pearson " " " "	2500	885.00	" "	25.32
John Gee " " " "	2280	798.00	" "	25.53
John Sayrestin " " " "	13000	2600.00	" "	83.20
George Saye " " " "	4000	1200.00	" "	38.40

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owners of estates benefited	Number feet of land	Valuation	Betterment of Commonwealth	Assessment
Frederick Slade Franklin st. E. side	12000	4200.00	2/3	134.40
Dennis Bailey " " W. "	1783	624.05	" "	199.6
B. B. Knapp Guardian " " " "	1445	505.75	" "	161.8
Andrew Gately " " " "	1900	665.00	" "	212.8
William Long " " " "	2820	1131.20	" "	361.9
Benj. Gladney " " " "	14300	4290.00	" "	1372.8
Benj. Gladney " " " "	3337	1167.95	" "	373.7
Stiles & Hunt " " " "	3100	930.00	" "	297.6
John Parsons " " " "	4000	1400.00	" "	448.0
Benj. Gladney corner Washington st.	14800	5880.00	" "	1881.6
Asylum Lands foot of Waverly Street	15600	4680.00	" "	1497.6
Orlando Higgins Murray st. East side	1800	630.00	" "	201.6
J. J. Miller " " " "	1800	540.00	" "	172.8
S. N. Robinson " " W. "	900	270.00	" "	86.4
M. P. Johnson " " " "	900	270.00	" "	86.4
Abel M. Walker " " " "	900	270.00	" "	86.4
Annie Brannan Chute " 6 "	1600	560.00	" "	179.2
Albert Allen " " " "	1600	480.00	" "	153.6
W. H. Lord " " W. "	900	315.00	" "	100.8
J. F. Beverly " " " "	900	270.00	" "	86.4
Porter " " " "	900	270.00	" "	86.4
Prudence Bartlett " W. "	1750	525.00	" "	168.0
George G. Bartlett " " " "	1750	525.00	" "	168.0
				3675.14

For Warrant see File in Treasurers Office with assessment list.

Alderman Glines offered the following order.

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen October 28. 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of constructing the Common Sewer within referred to, amounting to $8552.52 and after deducting the proportion thereof namely $3675.14. to be assessed upon persons benefited the persons named in the within schedule, being

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benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the same sums set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants, or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrants, as within stated be adopted and issued.

Attest Charles E. Gilman City Clerk.

In Board of Aldermen October 28. 1872. Order adopted.

Agreement of G. G. Richards, S. J. Clary, v. O. B. Clary in reference to Sewer in Waverly Street. — Waverley St. Sewer agreement

Know all men by these Presents that we George G. Richards of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Sarah J. Clary wife of Oliver B. Clary of Somerville in the County of Middlesex being the owners of land abutting on Waverly Street so called in said Somerville, for a valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give and grant (hereby agreeing not to claim compensation therefor) to the City of Somerville, a municipal corporation duly established by law, and in the County of Middlesex, the right to lay make and maintain, in through and over the said Waverly Street, so called (being a private way owned by us and extending for a distance of about 183 feet from Washington Street) throughout its entire length as aforesaid and as shown upon a plan designated as "Proposed Outlet for Washington Street Sewer April 30 1872. C. D. Elliott City Engineer" a main drain or common sewer, and also the right at any ~~time~~ and all times to enter upon said street or way for the purpose of making, repairing or maintaining said sewer the said street or way to be kept open and unobstructed, so that the said city shall have the power to enter upon it for the aforesaid purposes.

To have and to hold the said easements and privileges to the said City of Somerville and its successors forever

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and said parties do hereby release all claim for land damages consequent thereby reason of the making or maintaining of said proposed sewer.

Witness our hands and common seal this 23 day of May A. D. 1872. G. H. Richards
O J Clancy seal
O C Clancy

Alderman Glines offered the following order.

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen
October 28. 1872.

Ordered

That the evening of Monday Nov 25 at 8 o clock, and the Mayor and Aldermen meet in the City Hall (the assigned) as the time and place for the hearing for abatement or commencement for the construction of a common sewer in Waverly, Washington and Franklin Streets.

In Board of Aldermen Order Adopted.

Waverley Washington & Franklin Sts hearing for abatement

A hearing was had in relation to the lands and Basins of Millers River

No person appearing the hearing was closed.

Alderman Bennett offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen
October 28. 1872.

By authority and in pursuance of the authority conferred by chapter two hundred and ninety nine of the statutes of the Commonwealth for the year 1872, for the reasons of the intention of this Board to pass the order hereinafter written, having been given it is hereby

Millers River

order to pass

Ordered

That with reference to a complete drainage of the lands named in this order, so as to abate and prevent nuisances and to preserve the public health of the City, the provend

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the general owners of lands lying within the territory in this city, bounded and described as follows namely, the territory ~~in this city, bounded and described~~ comprising those basins of Mystic River so called, which lie Southerly of Main Street and Westerly of Medford Street, the upper of said basins so called being in and a part of the district which is bounded Northerly by the Fitchburg Railroad, Westerly by Mystic Avenue, Southerly by the line dividing the City of Cambridge from the City of Somerville and easterly by Medford Street, and the lower of said basins being in and a part of the district which is bounded Easterly by Medford Street, Southwesterly by the Fitchburg Railroad road, Northwesterly by Charlestown Street so called and the former location of the Charlestown Branch Railroad Company so called, meaning hereby the two basins as they now exist and within and between their shores and margins as they now exist, which lie between Medford Street at the easterly end of said basins and Mystic Avenue at the westerly end of said basins and near thereto and contiguous to the Fitchburg Railroad, the one of said basins being on the one side of said Railroad and the other of said basins on the other side, and the said basins being more particularly delineated and shown upon a plan designated as a Plan of the Upper Basins of "Mystic River" dated October 28 A.D. 1872. This day filed in the City Clerk's Office of the City of Somerville, excepting however from said territory and basins, a strip of territory of the width of fifty feet, extending throughout the said basins and near the central part thereof, which strip is more particularly shown by the space colored in red upon said plan, to which reference is hereby made, be, and they hereby are, ordered to raise the grade of their said lands (excepting the said strip of the width of fifty feet as aforesaid) filling in the same with good materials to a grade not less than thirteen feet above mean low water and to raise the grade of all private streets, courts and ways upon

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their said lands, filling up the same with good materials to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water, and in case any such owner fails to comply with this order within six months after service thereof as required by said Chapter Two hundred ninety-nine, this Board will forthwith proceed to grade the lands and provate streets, courts, and ways, the grade of which is hereby ordered to be raised (by such owners filling up the same with good materials) to the grades respectively, as specified in this order, and collect the expense thereof, and all necessary expenses incurred thereby, and take such other proceedings in the premises as may be deemed expedient and proper, all as provided by said Chapter two hundred and ninety-nine.

And the City Engineer is ordered to furnish the proper grades and lines to all persons affected by this order, upon application by them or any of them therefor, and to raise the grade of any and all public streets bordering upon any of the lands the grade of which is hereby ordered to be raised, filling up such streets with good materials to a grade not less than sixteen feet above mean low water.

This order shall be served as required by said Chapter two hundred and ninety-nine, and evidence of such service shall be preserved by the City Clerk.

All expenses incurred by the City under this order shall be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses.

In Board of Aldermen October 28 Adopted

Skillers River communication of Harbor Commissioners

Communication of Harbor Commissioners in reference to tidal water of Millers River

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Harbor Commissioners' Office

8 Pemberton Square

Boston 1872.

Whereas the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Lowell under Chapter 299 of the acts of the year 1872, have applied to the

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Board of Harbor Commissioners for a license under Chap. 149. of the acts of the year 1866 to fill the channel flats and basins of Mills River in the City of Somerville lying southerly of Mill Street and above the street known as Medford Street in Somerville and Gore Street in Cambridge

Now therefore the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville are hereby authorized to fill with clean gravel or other good material the channel flats and basins of Mills River in the City of Somerville lying southerly of Mill Street and above the street known as Medford Street in Somerville and Gore Street in Cambridge and outside the limits of a strip of land forty feet wide extending through said channel flats and basins of Mills River and shown by the space colored red on a plan filed in the office of the Harbor Commissioners and numbered 1.

No compensation will be assessed for the tide water displaced by said filling. The Board finding that the outlet to said basins of Mills River above said Medford Street is so contracted as to make the tide water of no value as a tidal reservoir to Boston Harbor and consequently that such filling will not affect said harbor injuriously

This license is given subject to the action of the joint commission under Chapter 353. of the acts of the year 1872. in regard to said strip to be left open and shall not be taken or construed as expressing any opinion as to what plan should be ultimately adopted for the abatement of the nuisance existing in and upon the residue of the district lying within the limits of the cities of Cambridge and Somerville, as defined in said act or in any manner interfering with said plan. This license is void unless recorded with the accompanying plan in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Middlesex within one year from the date of these presents.

In witness whereof a majority of the Board of Harbor Commissioners have hereunto affixed their signatures this twenty-fifth day of October A.D. 1872

Josiah Quincy, Darwin E. Marvin, H. Lincoln, Majority of the B. of H. C.

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Report of Committee on Highways
City of Somerville

The Committee on Highways hereby report that the sidewalks mentioned in the accompanying orders have been fully completed, and therefore the committee report the accompanying orders.
Report accepted and orders adopted.

Plant St Sidewalks report of assessment list order

Order To defray in part the cost of completing grading and constructing sidewalks, in the City of Somerville, in Plant Street in said city, and on both sides thereof, and extending from Franklin Street to Glen Street with edge stones and covered with brick.

Abutters on said Sidewalks		Cost of Sidewalks	Proportional assessment on Abutters
William Swan		77.24	38.62
Patrick Flemming		135.74	67.87
Heirs of Jonathan Nickerson		251.99	125.99
Charles H. Davis		179.35	89.67
Amos Nickerson		189.75	94.87
John C. Winthrop		219.64	109.82
James N. Clarke		184.36	92.18
John F. Nickerson		158.59	79.29
Francis Groll	"Charlestown"	168.16	84.08
Sabin H. Smith		94.80	47.40
A. G. Chathers	"Boston"	53.97	26.99
Alfred D. Hoyt	"Charlestown"	111.21	55.60
Reuben Horton		293.34	146.67
For Warrant see assessment list filed in the Office of the City Treasurer			
		$2118.15	1059.05

Order Street

Alderman Hashein offered the following Order.

"City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen October 28. 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of completing, grading and constructing the sidewalks within referred to, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and after deducting the proportion thereof namely, one half to be paid by the city, the remaining the sums specified in the within schedule, being one half of such cost, to be assessed upon the owners, the sums assessed in the within schedules being abutting on such sidewalks, as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their just proportionate part of the expense of the said sidewalks, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrants as within stated be adopted and issued

In Board of Aldermen Order Adopted

Broadway sidewalk report on assessment & order

Order to defray in part the cost of completing grading and constructing sidewalks, in the City of Somerville in Broadway in said city, and on the south westerly side thereof, and extending from Isaac Rendall's Estate to corner of Walnut Street and thence on the north westerly side of Walnut Street to George Shilton's Estate with Edge stones and covered with gravel.

Abutters on said Sidewalks	Cost of Sidewalks	Proportion assessed on Abutters	
Mrs. Mary Hutchinson	107.50	53.75	Cost of Sidewalk $1280.82
Joseph E. Howard	201.75	100.87	
Benjamin Hadley	68.55	34.27	
Mrs. Lydia Mayhew	48.45	24.22	Assessed on Abutters $690.39
Heirs of Nathaniel Mitchell	41.80	20.90	
Mrs Susan Lamp	86.38	43.19	
Aaron Sargent	161.58	80.79	
" & Edward Adams	81.85	40.92	
Albert Kennison	582.97	291.48	

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The warrant per assessment-list filed in the office of the City Treasurer

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Alderman Hastings offered the following order:

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In Board of Aldermen October 28, 1872.

Ordered, That the cost of completing, grading, and constructing the sidewalks within referred to, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely, one-half to be paid by the city, there remaining the sums specified in the within schedule, being a tax on such sidewalks, as aforesaid, &c., and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums thereunto set to their respective names, as their just proportional part of the expense of the said sidewalks, and the same is collected as within stated, and, notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant be within stated. Be adopted, and issued.

In Board of Aldermen. Order adopted.

Marshall St. sidewalk order and assessment list

Order. In defraying in part the cost of completing grading and constructing sidewalks, in the City of Somerville, in Marshall Street in said city, and on both sides thereof, and extending from Broadway Street to Pearl Street with edgestones, and covered with granite.

Abutters on said Sidewalks	Cost & Expense	Proportion of expense on abutters
Jacob Sidefield	147.05	73.52
Cornelius O'Donald	99.00	49.50
James A. Bicknell	123.96	61.98
Francis M. Bacon	123.96	61.98

Abutters on said Sidewalks	Cost of Sidewalks	Proportional assessed on Abutters
Mrs Catherine Eldridge	66.33	33.16
William Morse	74.46	37.23
Joseph W. Montgomery	123.96	61.98
Joseph Nelson	133.03	66.51
Samuel C. Lawrence Medford	40.59	20.29
Cyrus Crosby	49.50	24.75
Nelson Bartell	122.97	61.48
Nathan E. Hanes	116.88	58.44
John H. Barnard	64.25	32.12
John F. Miles	49.50	24.75
T. B. Lovejoy	54.45	27.22
Amos Clement	49.50	24.75
Mrs. H. Page	49.50	24.75
Bryant Stone	59.40	29.70
Mrs Hannah Pattee	43.56	21.78
David Berry	78.44	39.22
Calvin S. Hennessey Jr	95.93	47.96
Benjamin Mackey	193.60	96.80
Rufus Hickney	248.32	124.16
John O. Connell	114.84	57.42
Thomas B. Felton	39.16	19.58
Lucan F. Delano	47.52	23.76
Dr Edmund Hotchkiss	206.57	103.28
L. Shayer	122.14	61.07
Eugene Mack	101.97	50.98
Henry M. Seals	122.00	61.00
Edwin L. Weeks	150.67	75.33
Richard B. Weblen	120.59	60.29
Amos M. Angier	119.62	59.81
Seth O. Doolittle	77.05	38.52
Ezra M. Miles	126.47	63.28
Mrs (Mary) A. Johnson	204.67	102.33
	3761.44	1880.68

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For Warrant per assessment list filed in the office of the City Treasurer.

Aldermen Hawkins offered the following order

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

October 28. 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of completing, grading and constructing the sidewalks within referred to, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely one half to be paid by the city, there remaining the sums specified in the within schedule, being abutters on such sidewalks, as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their just proportional part of the expense of the said sidewalks and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant be within stated be adopted and issued

In Board of Aldermen order adopted

Washington, Corr of Webster Ave / Sidewalk order / assessment list

Order to defray, in part, the cost of grading and constructing sidewalks, in the city of Somerville on corner of Washington Street and Webster Avenue in said city and on Southeasterly side thereof covered with brick

Abutter	Cost	Proportion assessed
Robert W Rinal	$142.33	$71.16

For Warrant per assessment list filed in the office of the City Treasurer.

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Alderman Hoskins offered the following order.

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

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Ordered

That the cost of grading and constructing the side walks, within referred to, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely, one half to be paid by the city, there remaining the sums specified in the within schedule, being one half of such cost, to be assessed upon the abutters) the persons named in the within schedule being abutters on such sidewalks as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their just proportional part of the expense of the said sidewalks, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and issued

In Board of Aldermen Order adopted

Perkins St Sidewalks order & assessment lis

Order to defray in part the cost of completing grading and constructing sidewalks in the city of Somerville in Perkins Street in said city and on both sides thereof extended (being from Charlestown City line to Franklin Street with Edgestone except where formerly set and covered with brick except where formerly covered with brick or concrete

See assessment list on next page

Abutters on said Sidewalks	Cost of Sidewalks	Proportion assessed on Abutters
Mrs. Increase S. Wheeler	84 27	42 13
William Fletcher	97 10	48 55
Charles A. Cole	187 37	94 68
William H. Hubbard	162 97	81 48
Erastus Cole	115 03	57 51
John K. Cole	82 77	41 38
Zaganiah Cross	121 14	60 57
Mrs. S. Dana Prescott	212 15	106 07
Heirs of Joshua S. Bailey	219 52	109 76
Jeremiah Prescott	204 87	102 43
Amos Haynes	130 54	65 27
Isaac S. Cross	43 74	21 87
Patrick Flemming	180 96	90 48
Baptist Church	37 10	18 55
Frank C. Perkins	272 77	136 38
John A. Hughes	131 49	65 74
George F. Hadley	67 76	33 88
Horace P. Hemmenway	122 20	61 60
L. D. W. A. Roberts	85 91	42 95
	331 66	1653 78

For measure see assessment list filed in the office of the City Treasurer –

Alderman Hasking offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen October 25. 1872.

Ordered that the cost of completing grading and constructing the sidewalks within referred to, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and after deducting the proportion thereof – namely, one half to be paid by the city, then remaining the sums specified in the within schedule, being ~~[illegible]~~ one half of such cost, to be assessed upon the abutters the sums named in the within schedule being a betterment on such sidewalks, as aforesaid to and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to

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their respective names, as this just proportional part of the expense of the said Sidewalk, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued.

The Board of Aldermen Order adopted.

Order to defray, in part, the cost of completing, grading and constructing Sidewalks, in the city of Somerville in Park Street in said city and on both sides thereof, and standing from Mill Street to Fitchburg Railroad with granite edge stones, and covered with brick.

Park St. Sidewalk order

Abutters on said Sidewalks		Cost of Sidewalk	Proportion assessed on Abutters
Fitchburg Railroad Co		119 82	59 91
Lawrence L. Kelley		153 92	77 96
Michael Dunn		148 27	74 13
Heirs of James Holden		62 68	31 34
Ezekiel Robinson		63 28	31 64
Charles H. Darling		109 00	54 50
Joseph A. Chase		93 16	46 58
Alexander Swanson		141 20	70 60
Charles Bullard		208 88	104 44
John H. Sherrifield		288 44	144 22
Elias L. Whiting		351 33	175 66
Levi L. Foster		615 99	307 99
Fitchburg Railroad Co		22 82	11 41
		2380 79	1190 38

The warrant per assessment list filed in the office of the City Treasurer.

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(Alderman Hopkins offered the following order)
(In Board of Mayor and Aldermen October 28, 1872.
Ordered:

That the cost of completing, grading and constructing the sidewalks, within referred to, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedules, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely, one half to be paid by the city, there remaining the sums specified in the within schedules, being one half of such cost, to be assessed upon the abutting the persons named in the within schedules, being abutters on such sidewalks, as aforesaid, to wit, they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their just proportional part of the expense of the said sidewalks, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated, be established and passed

(In Board of Aldermen October 28. Order adopted)

(Meeting of the City Council in convention
Alderman Pope presiding)

Roseland and Orchard St. hearing

A meeting of the City Council was held in accordance with an order passed October 16th for the purpose of hearing all persons objecting to the laying out of Roseland and Orchard Streets, no persons appearing the hearings were closed.

The object for which the City Council was called together having been accomplished the meeting was dissolved.

October 30. - November 4. 1872.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

October 30. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Full board of Aldermen present

The Board met for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualification of voters and placing their names upon the voting lists — voters added

Adjourned. Charles E. Gilman Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen November 4. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Full Board of Aldermen present

Reading of the records was dispensed with

The Board met for the purpose of receiving evidence as to the qualifications of all persons claiming to be voters and adding their names to the voting lists — voters added

All of said persons having been heard in the matter the meeting was adjourned

Attest Charles E. Gilman Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

November 5. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Hoskins, Davis, Poor, Furber, Chase, Quinn and Bennett present

Reading of the records was dispensed with

Notices added

The meeting was held as required by law for the purpose of receiving evidence as to the qualifications of all persons claiming a right to vote and adding their names to the voting list.
all persons having been heard in the matter proceeded to the transaction of Municipal business

Claims

The claim of James Smith for damage to his estate on Bowdoin Street caused by the change of grade was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 6 Concurred in

James Smith referred

High School organ and land on Beach Street referred

The Communication from the School Committee in reference to the purchase of land on Beach Street also a reed organ for the High School was referred to the Committee on Public Property to examine into the matter and report, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 6. 1872 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways
Webster Street

Webster St. edgestones referred

The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the petition of M. B. Stebbins and others for the setting of edge stones and paving of sidewalks in Webster Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted,
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council Nov 6. Concurred in

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The petition of George Wheller for for a Gas Lamp on Walnut Street was referred to Committee on Street Lights and sent down for concurrence ... — Walnut St Gas Lamp referred
In Common Council November 6 Concurred in

Alderman Chase offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen November 5. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Public Property be directed to have large radiating stoves put into the City Treasurer's room and the Police Court Room in the City Hall Building and that said stoves have proper hot air conductors to the rooms above viz the rooms of the board of Aldermen and the Common Council — City Hall heating
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council November 6 Non concurred in

Alderman Hawkins offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen November 5th 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Highways be and hereby are authorized to purchase a horse for highway purposes — Highways Order to purchase horse
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 6 concurred in

Report of Committee on Sewers.
In Board of Aldermen November 5. 1872.
Your Committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas J. Priest and others for a sewer in Mount Vernon Street respectfully report —
That the convenience of the residents of said street require that a common sewer be constructed in said street and we recommend that the sewer Committee be authorized to construct a common sewer in said street providing all of the owners sign a proper release for a right of way and agree to pay such portion of the expense thereof as may be — Sewer Mt Vernon St report

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by this board on account of the construction of the same
Report accepted and adopted

Alderman Hall, offered the following order
Ordered
That the committee on accounts be authorized to approve the following bills contracted by the School Committee, viz Leonard Arnold $36.75. John H. Chenery $1,500, and J. A. Mansfield $52.75. that the same be charged to the school appropriation
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council November 6 1872.
Amended by referring to the Committee on Public Property.
In Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872 Amendment concurred in

Schools
Order to approve bills for

Report of Committee on Fire Department
In Board of Aldermen Nov 5. 1872.
The communication received from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department asking the endorsement of this board to their action in granting the request of Weiler Hill Hose Company to change their present name to that of Abraham Lincoln referred to the committee on Fire Department
Respectfully report that in Committee a majority voted to recommend to this board that the change be made and the name suggested be adopted and approved.
The report was laid upon the table.

Printers Hall
Hose Co.
change of name
report

Report of Committee on Sewers
Franklin Avenue
Sewer Assessment, assessment to defray in part the cost of constructing a common sewer in Franklin Avenue, in the City of Somerville

Sewer
Franklin Ave
report and assessment order

November 5, 1872.

Owners of estates benefited	Number feet of land	Valuation	Rate per cent of assessment	Amount
James Gallery Eastside	1674	585.90	4.32/100	25.19
William Parkhurst	1725	603.75	"	25.96
Henry Randall	1800	612.00	"	26.32
William Berry	1254	426.36	"	18.33
John H. Mitchell	1254	426.36	"	18.33
Joseph Sessions	1254	426.36	"	18.33
Timothy Tousley	1254	426.36	"	18.33
Peter Duchinow	1254	426.36	"	18.33
James Taylor	1254	426.36	"	18.33
Wm Washburn Jr	13176	4480.32	"	192.56
Robert Bedford, Chase	4400	1100.00	"	47.30
Wm Washburn Westside	7176	2296.32	"	98.74
Charles Helmer	2340	795.60	"	34.21
Albert Hughes	2340	795.60	"	34.21
Francis Lamont	4880	1659.20	"	71.35
Gustavus Ayres	3540	1344.00	"	57.79
Edwin Ellman	2150	745.50	"	32.06
		17574.35		752.67

Report of assessment list accepted and adopted and certified.

Alderman Ames offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen November 5. 1872.

Ordered,

That, the (the cost of constructing the common sewer, within referred to amounting to $855.12, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely $132.45 to be paid by the City) there remaining $752.67 to be assessed upon property benefited, the persons, named in the within schedule being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued.

Order Adopted.

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Alderman Gines offered the following order — Sewer abatements Franklin St. order for hearing
In Board of Aldermen November 5, 1872
Ordered that Nov 25th at the Mayor and Aldermen be the time and place for hearing applications for abatement on sewer assessments on Franklin Street
In Board of Aldermen Order adopted.

Alderman Gines offered the following order — Sewer Oak Street order to repair agreements
In Board of Aldermen November 5, 1872.
Ordered that the Committee on Sewers be instructed to take up and repair the sewer in Oak Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof and of the assessments in their judgment proper to be made upon persons benefited thereby when said work has been completed.
Order adopted.

Agreement in reference to a Sewer in Oak Street

Know all men by these presents, that we the undersigned being owners of estates, situated on that part of Oak Street so called in Somerville in the County of Middlesex, which extends from the line of the City of Cambridge to the angle in said Oak Street, where the said Street turns to run toward Prospect Street in said Somerville, and being owners of a brick sewer extending through the aforesaid part of said street, the aforesaid portion of said Oak Street being a private way and owned by the abutters thereon, do hereby for valuable consideration agree with the City of Somerville a municipal corporation duly established by law, and in the said County, that the said sewer shall be deemed a main drain or common sewer of the said City of Somerville, and that the said City of Somerville shall have the same rights as to maintaining and repairing such drain or sewer, and as to the ownership thereof and the assessment therefor as if the said sewer and the land necessary for the construction and maintenance of the same had been taken according to law for the said purpose, and we hereby release and convey to the

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said City of Somerville all our right, title and interest jointly or severally in said sewer, witness our names and common seal this twenty first day of October A.D. 1872.

C. A. Holt — Seal
James Dillaway — Seal
Seth C. Hinnech — Seal
Charles H. Mitchell — Seal
Frank McQuire — Seal
Mary J. Mehrens — Seal
James E. White — Seal
C. E. Wheeler — Seal
David Ford — Seal
George H. Newcomb — Seal
William H. Brine — Seal
J. M. Cunningham — Seal
C. W. Haynes Jr. — Seal
Hannah A. Greenwood — Seal
John O'Brien — Seal

Alderman Dow offered the following order:

Rowland St. order to lay out

City of Somerville

In City Council November 5. 1872.

Resolved that the common convenience, necessity and safety of the inhabitants of the City require that Rowland Street should be laid out as a public street or way of the said City from Cambridge line to Beacon street and of a uniform width of forty feet throughout, all as more particularly hereinafter described, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said city a parcel of land belonging to John H. Ladd bounded as follows namely

Easterly by Beacon Street 21. 30 feet; northerly by the middle line of said proposed Rowland Street 121. feet. Southwesterly by the Cambridge City line 25. 20 feet

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and Southerly by the Southerly line of said proposed Portland Street-112.50 feet—

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Dr. John Appleton bounded as follows, namely; Easterly by Beacon Street-21.30 feet; Southerly by the middle line of said proposed Portland Street-102.40 feet; westerly by land of Charles Minchall 20 feet; and northerly by the northerly line of said proposed Portland Street-95.50 feet—

A parcel of land belonging to Charles C. Minchall bounded as follows namely; Easterly by land of Heirs of Dr. John Appleton 20 feet; southerly by the middle line of said proposed Portland Street-18.60 feet; Southwesterly by Cambridge City line 25.20 feet; and northerly by the northerly line of said proposed Portland Street-34.[illegible] feet;

And whereas the matter of laying out said Street was referred to the Committee on Highways who caused due notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of hearing the parties, as by the report of said Committee and the order of notice and return thereto annexed, deposited in the City Clerk's office will fully appear, and whereas, as appears by the said report the said Committee at the time and place in said order of notice appointed met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard, and whereas the said Committee have reported that the common convenience and necessity require that the said street should be laid out as herein after stated and described, and have caused the adjustments and boundaries of said street to be distinctly marked out on the premises and also upon a plan thereof and described in their report, and have specified the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, and reported the names of all parties sustaining damage by such laying out, with the amount of such damage, and the names of all persons who

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claimed before said Committee a hearing in relation thereto, and fully appears in said report; and whereas said report and plan have remained in the City Clerk's office for the term of seven days at least before the City Council proceeded to act thereon, and whereas due public notice has been given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the intention of the City Council to take the said parcels of land for the purposes aforesaid and to lay out said street or way, as by order of notice and the action thereto annexed in said report appears, and whereas at the time and place in said order of notice appointed the Boards of Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard,

It is therefore Ordered, that the parcels of land before described be and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to the plan of the said Roseland Street made by Charles S. Ellis, City Engineer, dated and deposited in the office of the City Clerk, as aforesaid, and that the said street or way as shown and designated upon said plan be and the same is hereby laid out and established as and for a public street or way of the said City; that the boundaries, location and dimensions of said street are all as shown upon said plan, which is hereby made a part of this Order, and as follows, to wit, said street is bounded northerly by the estate of the abutters thereon 129.57 feet, easterly by Beacon Street forty two feet, southerly by a line distant throughout forty feet from the first named line 112.50 feet, and southwesterly by Cambridge City line 50.00 feet; that the following is the manner in which such street or way shall be completed, namely, according to a grade of said Roseland Street as shown and laid down upon a plan thereof made by the City Engineer; that the fee of the land occupied or owned of the lands over which said street or way is thus laid out and through which it is to pass, are allowed until the twelfth day of November next to take off their fences and other property which may obstruct the building of such street or way; that the

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following is an estimate assessment and award of the damages sustained by any persons in their property by the laying out of said Street or way, namely

Sir John S. Ladd _____ None _____
Dr. John Appleton _____ None _____
Charles Wentworth _____ None _____

The Order and Resolve now adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 6. 1872

_____ Bancroft sec _____

Alderman Weir offered the following Order and Resolve

Ordered the order to lay out:

_____ Orchard Street _____

Order of Laying out City of Somerville

In City Council November 5th 1872.

Resolved,

That the common convenience, necessity and safety of the inhabitants of the City require that Orchard Street should be laid out, as a public street or way of the said City, from Dover Street to Broadway Bay line and of a uniform width of forty feet throughout, all as more particularly hereinafter described, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Benjamin Asplin bounded as follows namely northwesterly by Dover Street 20 feet, northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 112 feet southeasterly by land of Heirs of Mary A. Bennett 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 112 feet

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Mary A. Bennett bounded as follows namely.

Northwesterly by land of Benjamin Asplin 20 feet
Southeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street

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45.34 feet; Southeasterly by land Andrew C Walker 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard street 45.34 feet;

A parcel of land belonging to Andrew C Walker bounded as follows namely; northwesterly by land of Heirs of Mary C Brownell 20 feet, southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard street 74.18 feet; Southeasterly by a private way called Bay street 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard street 74.18.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles H Kirby bounded as follows namely; northwesterly by said private way called Bay Street 20 feet; southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 122.86 feet; Southeasterly by land of Chester H Kingsley 20 feet, and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 122.86 feet;

A parcel of land belonging to Chester H Kingsley bounded as follows namely northwesterly by land of Charles H Kirby 20 feet; Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 243.95 feet; Southeasterly by a private way called Chester Street 20 feet, and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 243.95 feet;

A parcel of land belonging to Franklin A Fox, bounded as follows namely
Northwesterly by said private way called Chester Street 20 feet; Southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 150.07 feet southeasterly by land of Nancy Bonvanger 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 150.07 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Nancy Bonvanger bounded as follows namely, northwesterly by land of Franklin A Fox 20 feet; southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed

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Orchard Street 67.35 feet southeasterly by land of Edward S Russell 20 feet, and northeasterly by the northeasterly ~~line of said~~ line of said proposed Orchard Street 67.35 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Edward S Russell bounded as follows namely northwesterly by land of Mary Bierwagen 20 feet southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard street 67.58 feet southeasterly by land of Barnabas Haskell 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 67.58 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Barnabas Haskell bounded as follows namely; northwesterly by land of Edward S Russell 20 feet southwesterly by the middle line of said Orchard Street 64.74 feet; southeasterly by land of Robert and John Henderson 20 feet; and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 64.74 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Robert and John Henderson bounded as follows namely; northwesterly by land of Barnabas Haskell 20 feet, southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 57.05 feet, southeasterly by land of Barzada Butler 20 feet, and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 57.05 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Barzada Butler bounded as follows namely; northwesterly by land of Robert and John Henderson 20 feet southwesterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard street 145.54 feet southeasterly by a proposed way called Russell Street 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 145.54 feet.

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A parcel of land belonging to Herbert H. Merrill bounded as follows namely, northwesterly by said private way called Russell Street 20 feet northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 26 feet, southeasterly by Cambridge City line 20 feet and northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 25 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to James H. Woodward bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by said Cambridge City line 20 feet, northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 26 feet, northwesterly by said private way called Russell Street 20 feet, and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 27 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Mary R. Russell bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by said private way called Russell Street 20 feet, northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 402.04 feet, northwesterly by land of Samuel J. Gear 20 feet, and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 402.04 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Samuel J. Gear bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by land of Mary R. Russell 20 feet, northeasterly by the northeasterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 150.60 feet, northwesterly by a private way called Chester Street 20 feet, and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 150.60 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Rev. John B. Perry bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by a private way called Chester Street 20 feet northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 162.84 feet, northwesterly by land of Isaac McClane 20 feet, and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 162.84 feet

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A parcel of land belonging to Isaac McLaine bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by land of Ralph B Bray 20 feet; northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 85.35 feet; northwesterly by land of Chester McClark 20 feet; and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 85.35 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Chester M Clark bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by land of Isaac McLaine 20 feet; northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 121.74 feet; northwesterly by a private way called Bay Street 20 feet; and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 121.74 feet.

A parcel of land belonging Ralph B Bay bounded as follows namely southeasterly by said private way called Bay Street 20 feet; northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 122.71 feet; northwesterly by land of Brigham Bunnell 20 feet; and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 122.71 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Brigham Bunnell bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by land of Ralph B Bay 20 feet; northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 57.50 feet; northwesterly by land of Bradford F Davis 20 feet; and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said proposed Orchard Street 57.50 feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Bradford F Davis bounded as follows namely, southeasterly by land of Brigham Bunnell 20 feet; northeasterly by the middle line of said proposed Orchard Street 54.68 feet; northwesterly by Dow Street 20 feet and southwesterly by the southwesterly line of said Orchard Street 54.68 feet.

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said whereas the matter of laying out said street was referred to the Committee on Highways, who caused due notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place, when and where they would meet for the purpose of hearing the parties, as by the report of said Committee and the order of notice and return thereto annexed, duly filed in the City Clerk's Office, will fully appear, and whereas, as appears by the said report, the said Committee at the time and place in said order of notice appointed met and heard all parties interested, who claimed to be heard, and whereas the said Committee have reported that the convenience and necessity require that the said street should be laid out, as therein after described, and said have caused the actual boundaries of said street to be defined by marked stakes on the premises and also upon a plan thereof and described in their report, and have specified the manner in which such laying out shall be completed, and reported the amount of all claims pertaining damage by such laying out, with the amount of such damages, and the names of all persons who claimed before said Committee, as hearing investigation shows, as fully appears in said report, and whereas said report and plan have remained in the City Clerk's Office for the term of seven days at least before the City Council proceeded to act thereon, and whereas due notice has been given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the intention of the City Council to take the said lands and lands for the purpose aforesaid, and to lay out said street as may be by the order of notice and the petition thereto annexed more fully appear, and whereas at the time and place in said order of notice appointed, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and the Common Council met and heard all parties interested who claimed to be heard

It is therefore Ordered, that the parcels of land before described be and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public way or street of the said City according to the plan

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by the said Orchard Street made by Charles H. Eliot City Engineer, dated September 1872, and deposited with the Office of the City Clerk, as aforesaid, and that within the said street or way, as shown and designated upon said plan, be and the same is hereby laid out and established as and for a public street or way of the said City; that the boundaries, location and admeasurements of said street or way shown upon said plan, which is hereby made a part of this order, and as follows, to wit: said street is bounded northerly by the estate of the abutters thereon and the abutting streets 1299.33 feet; Northeasterly by Bainbridge City line forty feet; Northwesterly by a line distant throughout forty feet from the first named line 1303.96 feet; and northwesterly by Dawn Street, forty feet; that the following is the manner in which such street or way shall be completed, namely: According to a grade of said Orchard Street as shown and laid down upon a plan therefor made by the City Engineer; that the proprietors, occupants or owners of the land upon which said street or way is thus laid out and through which it is to pass, are allowed until the twelfth day of November next to take off their fences, houses and other property which may obstruct the building of such street or way; that the following is an estimate, assessment and award of the damages sustained by any person in their property by the laying out of said street or way namely:

Benjamin W. Atkins	None	
Heirs of Mary W. Brownell	None	
Andrew C. Walker	None	
Charles F. Hinsley	None	
Austin F. Hinsley	None	
Franklin W. Poor	None	
Henry Bionvangen	None	
Edward S. Russell	None	
Barnabas Haskell	None	
Robert and John Henderson	None	

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Barzada Butler		Stone	
Herbert D. Merrill		Stone	
James H. Woodward		Stone	
Mary C. Russell		Stone	
Samuel J. Gear		Stone	
Wm. John B. Penny		Stone	
Isaac McLaine		Stone	
Chester N. Clarke		Stone	
Ralph Day		Stone	
Brigham Bunnell		Stone	
Bradford F. Davis		Stone	

On Board of Aldermen November 5. 1872
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

On Common Council November 6. 1872.
Concurred, pro.

The report of the Chief of Police was received and placed on file

The Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department was received and accepted — Fire Dept Report of Chief Engineer

The appointment of William J. Conway as member of the John E. Wool Hose Company was confirmed

Adjourned
Charles E. Gilman (Clerk)

Return of Ward One.

City of Somerville

November 5th 1872.

We hereby certify that the ballots cast in Ward one for Two Electors at large, and Seven District Electors, of President & Vice President of the United States, also for Governor, Lieut-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, One Councillor for Councillor District No. 6. One Senator for the 2 Middlesex Senatorial District, Three Representatives to the General Court for the 4th Middlesex Representative District, One County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex and One Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No. 5. in accordance with the Warrant issued by the Mayor and Aldermen dated October 22. 1872, are as follows.

Election returns

Board Error

Presidential Electors at Large

Ebenezer R Hoar of Concord had	381
John M Forbes of Milton had	381
Chester W Chapin of Springfield had	187
Joseph G Abbott of Boston had	187

Electors District Number One

William T Davis of Plymouth had	381
George Delano of New Bedford had	187

District Number Two

Harrison Tweed of Taunton had	381
James E Carpenter of Fall River had	187

District Number Three

Alvan Simonds of Boston had	381
Charles W Shepard of Boston had	187

District Number Four

Edward H. Dimmock of Boston had	381
Joseph Tendrane of Chelsea had	187

District Number Five

William F. Breed of Lynn had	381
Richard Frothingham of Charlestown had	187

District Number Six

Luther Bay of Haverhill had	381
John P. Baxter of Salem had	187

District Number Seven

John C. Harding of Lawrence had	381
William McClennan of Lowell had	187

District Number Eight

Aaron C. Mayhew of Milford had	381
Henry F. Merrill of Cambridge had	187

District Number Nine

Stephen Salisbury of Worcester had	381
Isaac Davis of Worcester had	187

District Number Ten

Levi Hochbridge of Amherst had	381
Rufus Snow of Pittsburg had	187

District Number Eleven

Henry Alexander Jr. of Springfield had	381
Charles H. Ward of Chelsea had	187

For Governor

Wm. B. Washburn	of Greenfield had	382
Francis H. Bird	of Walpole had	186
B. F. Butler	of Gloucester had	1

Lieutenant Governor.

Thomas Talbot of Billerica had ____ 383
William L. Brooks of Springfield had ____ 186

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Oliver Warner of Northampton had ____ 385
Geo. W. Monroe of Boston had ____ 186

Treasurer and Receiver General.

Charles Delano Jr. of North Bridgewater had ____ 385
Levi Heywood of Gardner had ____ 186

Auditor.

Charles Endicott of Canton had ____ 386
Patrick T. Collins of Boston had ____ 181

Attorney General.

Charles R. Train of Boston had ____ 384
Warren Colburn of Dedham had ____ 186

Commissioner of Banks.

Leonard Walcott of Fitchburg had ____ 384
Geo. Wildes of Milford had ____ 182

Representative to Congress 5th District.

Daniel W. Gooch of Melrose had ____ 383
Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham had ____ 188

Councillor for 6th District.

Jonathan T. Mann of Woburn had ____ 385
Alvin Wright of Medford had ____ 182

Senator 2d District.

Joseph Ropes of Arlington had ____ 361
Oscar Sturtevant of Somerville had ____ 208

Representative to the General Court,
4th Middlesex District.

Charles H. Saylor of Somerville had	567
George H. Irons of Everett had	385
John H. Abbott of Malden had	392
Daniel E. Chase of Somerville had	208
Columbus Corey of Everett had	152

Daniel Lewis Warden
William T. B. Stebbins Clerk

Bayron Roberts
John P. Richard
J. H. Davis jr pro tem
} Inspectors

Return of Ward Number Two
Somerville November 5. 1872.

Read & filed and result of vote cast in Ward Two pursuant to call of the following warrant.

Copy of Warrant and return thereon

City of Somerville

To any Constable in the City of Somerville

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the Citizens of Ward Two qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble at Harrison Hall in Union Square on Tuesday the fifth day of November 1872. at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon then and there to give in their ballots for two Electors at large and Eleven district Electors of President and Vice President of the United States. Also to give in their ballots for the

determine petitions of the Commonwealth namely:
A Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General also for one Councillor for District No. 6. One Senator for the Second Middlesex Senatorial District; Three Representatives to the General Court for the Fourth Middlesex ~~Representative~~ Representative District; One County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex; One Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No. Five.
The polls for the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will be open as aforesaid at Eleven o'clock, A.M. and close at four and one half o'clock P.M. of the forenoon and the ballots will be sorted and counted.
Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon.
Given under our hands this Twenty Second day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and seventy two. By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
_____ Francis E. Gilman City Clerk _____

Commonwealth of Massachusetts _____
_____ Middlesex, _____
City of Somerville October 28th 1872.
This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of said Somerville in the City of Somerville qualified as the law directs according to the within warrant by posting a true copy of warrant in public places in said City, namely, the place of the meeting as specified in the within warrant, such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid, Seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant, also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal October 26th 1872. a newspaper published in said City of Somerville
_____ attest James Mann _____
_____ Constable of Somerville _____

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward five qualified to vote, assembled at the time and place above named for this purpose therein expressed, and at Seven o'clock P.M. the Warden calling the meeting to order and the election was read by the Warden Robert Minot after reading which the following declared elected.

The result of balloting as declared was as follows

Whole number of ballots cast eighteen hundred and twenty eight

Whole number of votes for Presidential Electors at large was eighteen hundred and fifteen

Ebenezer W. Moore	of Concord	had	375
Aaron Worcester	of Milton	had	375
Charles H. Bigelow	of Springfield	had	240
Joseph G. Abbott	of Boston	had	240

Whole number of votes for Presidential Electors by districts was Six hundred and fifteen.

William Brown	of Plymouth	had	375
Benjamin Thomas	of Taunton	had	375
Alvan Simonds	of Boston	had	375
Edward H. Devens	of Boston	had	375
Amos F. Breed	of Lynn	had	375
S. Ether Day	of Haverhill	had	375
John C. Hoadley	of Lawrence	had	375
Moses Mayhew	of Milton	had	375
Nathan Hinckley	of Hancock	had	375
Levi Stockbridge	of Amherst	had	375
Henry Alexander	of Springfield	had	375
George Delano	of New Bedford	had	240
Lemuel C. Carpenter	of Pembroke	had	240
[illegible] Shepard	of Boston	had	240
Joseph Dwerdean	of Chelsea	had	240
Richard Pettingham	of Charlestown	had	240
John A. Burrill	of Salem	had	240

William H. Clemence	of Lowell	had	240
Henry H. Murray	of Cambridge	had	240
Horace Davis	of Newton	had	240
Geo. B. Brown	of Fitchburg	had	240
Charles H. Knapp	of Chelsea	had	240

Whole number of votes for Governor was Six hundred and eighteen.

William B. Washburn	of Greenfield	had	378
Francis W. Bird	of Walpole	had	233
Benjamin F. Butler	of Gloucester	had	6
Nathaniel P. Banks	of Waltham	had	1

Lieutenant-Governor

Whole number of votes for Lieutenant-Governor was Six hundred and twenty four.

Thomas Talbot	of Billerica	had	378
William C. Plunkett	of Springfield	had	246

Secretary

Whole number of votes for Secretary of the Commonwealth was Six hundred and forty-five.

Oliver Warner	of Northampton	had	379
George W. Munroe	of Boston	had	246

Treasurer and Receiver General.

Whole number of votes for Treasurer and Receiver General was Six hundred and twenty four.

Elias Adams Jr.	of No. Bridgewater	had	378
Levi Heywood	of Gardner	had	246

Auditor

Whole number of votes for Auditor was Six hundred and twenty three.

Charles Endicott	of Canton	had	377
Patrick A. Collins	of Boston	had	246

(Attorney General)

Whole number of votes for Attorney General was
six hundred and twenty three

Charles R. Train	of Boston	had	379
Moses Colburn	of Dedham	had	244

(County Commissioner)

Whole number of votes for County Commissioner was
Six hundred and twenty six

Leonard Rhodes	of Cambridge	had	379
Otis Aldrich	of Westfield	had	247

(Representative to Congress)

Whole number of votes for Representative to Congress
was Six hundred and twenty four

Daniel W. Gooch	of Melrose	had	357
Nathaniel P. Banks	of Waltham	had	265

(Councillor for the 6th District)

Whole number of votes for Councillor for the 6th District
was Six hundred and eighteen.

Jonathan B. Morton	of Mattapan	had	378
Elijah Wright	of Medford	had	240

(Senator for Second District)

Whole number of votes for Senator Second District
was five hundred and eighty nine

Owen A. Knapp	of Somerville	had	503
Joseph S. Potter	of Arlington	had	86

(Representatives to the General Court)

Whole number of votes for Representatives to General Court
was Six hundred and twenty five

Charles G. Taylor	of Somerville	had	619
Alonzo G. Evans	of Somerville	had	376

Peter W. Abbott	of Malden had	361
Daniel B. Chase	of Somerville had	276
Columbus Corey	of Everett had	225

All the ballots given in having been counted and noted by the Warden and Inspectors, the result was declared in open Ward meeting. The polls were closed at Four and one half o'clock P. M.

The ballots and check list being placed in envelopes the meeting was declared adjourned

Daniel Sias — Clerk
Robert A. Brials — Warden
Almyra B. Mann
Wm. H. Grant — Inspectors
S. Dodge

Return of Ward Three.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts — Middlesex ss.
City of Somerville

Ward Three

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No. 3 qualified as the law directs to assemble in the Hall of the Spring School House on Sycamore Street on Thursday the fifth day of November 1872 at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon and from that time until four and one half o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for three electors at large, and Eleven district Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, also to give in their ballots for the following officers of this Commonwealth namely, a Governor, Lieut. Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, also for One Councillor for Councillor District No. 8 Sup.

One Senator for the Second Middlesex Senatorial District, three Representatives to the General Court for the Fourth Middlesex Representative District, one County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, one Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No 5.

The polls for the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at eleven o'clock A.M. and close at 4 o'clock P.M. All the foregoing parts to be warded for you are directed.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hand at Somerville this twenty second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Attest Charles E Johnson City Clerk

A true copy Attest Forrest G Hanaford.

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex ss.

City of Somerville October 28. 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward Number Three in the City of Somerville qualified as the law directs according to the within warrant by posting a true copy of warrant in not less than four public places in said ward near the place of the meeting as aforesaid in the within warrant such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said warrant also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal October 26. 1872. A newspaper published in said City of Somerville Attest James Mann Constable of Somerville.

A true Copy of Return.

Attest F. G. Hanaford City Clerk

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward No 3 qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed. The Warden at eleven o'clock read the above warrant and return thereon and called upon those present to bring in their ballots for the purpose therein expressed.

Nine being only one Inspector present it was the opinion of the Warden that a majority would be necessary and requested those present to bring in their ballots for an Inspector Pro Tempore, and authorized E. F. Brennan to receive, count, and record the votes. Whole number of ballots received was Eleven of which Mr B. P. Smith received the whole number and was elected as Inspector Pro Tempore of the meeting and the oath of office was thereupon administered to him as already by Statute prescribed in the matter

I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Inspector Pro Tempore of Election to which I have been elected in Ward 3 Concord so help me God. (B P Smith

Middlesex ss.

Subscribed and sworn before me.

attest (E F Brennan Justice of the Peace

A few moments subsequently four more Inspectors appeared and the Board of Inspectors were complete.

The Poll having arrived for closing the polls the ballots were counted, counted and declaration thereof made in open Ward meeting was as follows.

(Voters at Large)

Ebenezer R Hoar of Concord had Two hundred & fifteen	215
John W Stebbins of Milton had Two hundred & Eleven	211
Charles W Chapin of Springfield had Eighty five	85
Joshua Gallup of Boston had Eighty five	85

District Clerks

District Number One

William Davis of Plymouth had two hundred & sixteen 216
George Delano of New Bedford had eighty five 85

District Number Two

Harrison Freeed of Carver had two hundred & sixteen 216
James E. Carpenter of Plymouth had eighty five 85

District Number Three

Abram Thomas of Boston had two hundred & sixteen 216
Charles M. Shepard of Boston had forty seven 47
Charles M. Shepard of Boston had thirty nine 39

District Number Four

Edward Brown of Boston had two hundred & sixteen 216
Jeremiah Cudworth of Roxbury had eighty 80

District Number Five

Amos Breed of Lynn had two hundred & sixteen 216
Nathan Pettingill of Charlestown had eighty five 85

District Number Six

Levi Day of Haverhill had two hundred & sixteen 216
John W. Boardman of Salem had eighty five 85

District Number Seven

John C. Bradley of Lawrence had two hundred & sixteen 216
W. H. Lawrence of Lowell had eighty nine 89

District Number Eight

Aaron C. Mayhew of Milford had two hundred & sixteen 216
Henry H. Murray of Cambridge had eighty five 85

District Member Wine

Stephen Salisbury of Worcester had Two hundred sixteen	216
Isaac Davis of Worcester had Eighty five	85

District Member Tem

Levi Hemenway of Amherst had Two hundred sixteen	216
Elias Drew of Hitching had fifty five	57
Elias Drew of Hitching had Thirty one	31

District Member Eleven

Henry Alexander of Springfield had Two hundred sixteen	216
Charles W Hooker of Chester had Eighty five	85

For Governor

Wm B Washburn of Greenfield	had	219
Francis H Bird of Walpole	had	84

Lieutenant Governor

Thomas Talbot of Boston	had	219
William S Lincoln of Springfield	had	84

Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton	had	219
George W Munroe of Boston	had	85

Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield	had	219
Levi Heywood of Gardner had	had	85

Auditor

Charles Endicott of Danvers	had	219
Patrick O'Collins of Boston	had	82

Attorney General

Charles R Train of Boston	had	219
Waldo Colburn of Dedham	had	85

Representative to Congress
5th District

Daniel W Beach of Melrose	had	234
Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham	had	69

Councillor for the Fifth District

Jonathan B Nichols of Malden	had	218
Elijah Wright of Medford	had	55

County Commissioners

Leonard Hunting of Cambridge	had	218
John Aldrich of Milford	had	55

Senator for second Middlesex District

Joseph S Potter of Arlington	had	108
Daniel P Knapp of Somerville	had	194

Representatives to General Court

Charles H Taylor of Somerville	had	304
Alonzo G Ivory of Everett	had	225
John H Abbott of Malden	had	197
Daniel E Chase of Somerville	had	105
Columbus Corey of Everett	had	79
Freeman Adams of Somerville	had	1
Jethro Davis of Somerville	had	1

The state of the ballots as possited counted and recorded as above in open ward meeting was declared to the meeting by the clerk

After the result of the above ballots was declared all the ballots and the check list were deposited in an envelope and sealed and the transcripts of the records of said ward (specifying the votes given for the several offices aforesaid were certified by the Warden and Clerk to be returned to the City Clerk

The meeting was then dissolved

A true Copy F G Graves W Clerk

We S. W. McPennock Warden and F. P. Hanes Clerk hereby certify that the foregoing are true transcripts of the records of said Ward respecting the votes given for the purposes expressed in said Warrant

S. W. McPennock Warden.

F. P. Hanes Ward Clerk.

Return of Ward 4

City of Somerville

To Jeremy Bonstille of the City of Somerville

Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Nine qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble in the Hall of the Moore School building on Cherry Street, on Tuesday the fifth day of November 1872 at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four and one half o'clock in the afternoon thereof, and there to give in their ballots for the electors at large and eleven district electors of President and Vice President of the United States; also to give in their ballots for the following officers of this Commonwealth namely, a Governor, Lieut. Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, Attorney General, also for one Councillor for Councillor District No. 6, One Senator for the Middlesex Senatorial District, Five Representatives to the General Court for the 4th Middlesex Representative District, One County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, One Representative to the Congress of the United States from Congressional District No 5. The polls for the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at 11 o'clock A.M. and will close at 4 h. P.M.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon

Ward Four

Milton, George W. Heaton, Mayor of our said City of Somerville on this twenty second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Attest Charles E. Gilman City Clerk.

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex ss.

City of Somerville October 28, 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward Number four in the City of Somerville, qualified as the law directs, according to the within warrant: by posting a true copy of warrant in not less than four public places in said ward, near the place of the meeting, as specified in the within warrant, which copies have been posted by me as aforesaid, seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said warrant, also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal October 26th a newspaper published in said City of Somerville

Attest James Mann
Constable of Somerville

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward Number four qualified to vote, as the law directs, assembled at the time and place, and for the purposes therein expressed at eleven o'clock A. M. the warrant calling the meeting, was read by the Warden, who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward qualified by law to vote, to give in their ballots for the purposes expressed in said warrant

At four and one half (4½) o'clock P. M. the polls were closed, and the whole number of ballots given in having been sorted and counted by the Warden and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law the result was as follows

The state of the votes, as sorted, counted and recorded as above in open Warden meeting was declared to the meeting by the Warden

For Presidential Electors Large

Henry W. Paine of Concord has one hundred & thirty eight	138
John M. Stiles of Milton had One hundred & ninety eight	198
Theodore Chapin of Springfield had eighty one	81
Josiah Caldwell of Boston had eighty one	81

District Number One

William Brown of Plymouth had One hundred & ninety seven	197
George Delano of New Bedford had Eighty	80

District Number Two

Harrison Freeman of Taunton had One hundred & ninety seven	197
James E. Carpenter of Fairhaven had Eighty	80

District Number Three

Amos Simonds of Boston had One hundred & ninety seven	197
E. W. Shepard of Boston had Eighty	80

District Number Four

Edward H. Dunn of Boston had One hundred & ninety seven	197
Joseph Pendexter of Chelsea had	80

District Number Five

Amos J. Breed of Lynn had One hundred & ninety seven	197
Richard Frothingham of Charlestown had Eighty	80

District Number Six

Lathan Day of Haverhill had One hundred & ninety seven	197
John A. Bassett of Salem had Eighty	80

District Number Seven

John B. Moadley of Lawrence had One hundred & ninety seven 197.
H. H. Clemence of Lowell had eighty 80.

District Number Eight

Aaron C. Mayhew of Medford had One hundred & ninety seven 197.
Henry H. Murray of Braintree had Eighty one 81.

District Number Nine

Stephen C. Salisbury of Worcester had One hundred & ninety seven 197
Isaac Davis of Worcester had Eighty one 81.

District Number Ten

Levi Pickbridge of Amherst had One hundred & ninety seven 197.
C. H. B. Snow of Pittsburg had 80.

District Number Eleven

Henry Alexander Jr. of Springfield had One hundred & ninety seven 197.
Charles W. Ames of Chester had Eighty. 80.

Representatives to Congress.

Daniel H. Gooch of Melrose had One hundred & ninety three 193.
Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham had ninety 90.

For Governor

William B. Washburn of Greenfield had Two hundred & five 205
Francis H. Bird of Walpole had Seventy seven 77

Lieutenant Governor

Thomas L. Sellon of Williams had Two hundred & five 205.
William L. Smith of Springfield had 78.

Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton had Two hundred & four 204.
George H. Monroe of Boston had Seventy eight 78.

Attorney General

Charles G. Brown of Boston had two hundred & four 204
Waldo Colburn of Dedham seventy eight 78

Auditor

Orinthus Ludden of Boston had two hundred & five 205
Nathan W. Bedding of Boston had seventy eight 78

Treasurer

Emory Adams of North Brookfield had two hundred & four 204
Levi Flagg wood of Gardner had seventy eight 78

Councillor 6th District

Jonathan B. Kinsman of Woburn had two hundred & one 201
Elijah Wright of Bedford had eighty two 82

Senator Second District

Joseph C. Pelton of Arlington had one hundred & fifty 150
Orin C. Kapp of Somerville had one hundred & thirty four 134

County Commissioner

Samuel Merriless of Newton had two hundred & two 202
Asa Mildreth of Wentford had eighty 80

Representatives to General Court 4th Middlesex District

Charles H. Taylor of Somerville had two hundred & eighty one 281
John H. Mott of Malden had two hundred & two 202
Alonzo Brown of Everett had two hundred and nine 209
David Fairbanks of Malden had one 1
Daniel S. Chase of Somerville had eighty two 82
Columbus Carey of Everett had seventy five 75

The polls of the election were sorted counted and recorded as above in the town

Moderator was declared to the meeting by the Moderator meeting then dissolved

George A. Pratt Ward. Clerk ——— Lebbeus Stevens Moderator

Geo. A. Brown James B. Brown James B. Brown

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
November 6. 1872.

The Board present

A meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen was held this day for the purpose of examining the returns of Elections of Representatives to the General Court and certifying thereto

Attest Charles E. Gilman
City Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
November 8. 1872.

Mayor presiding
All the Board present

In accordance with a precept from the Sheriff of Middlesex County

Elections

Messrs. Jennison, Philips, Eberlee, Quincy, Marrical and John S. Tyler were drawn on jurors to consider and estimate the damage done to Helen Hunt of Burlington in said County by reason of the government of benefit by the City Council of Charlestown to land of said Hunt by the widening of Alford street in said City of Charlestown.

meeting of clerks

Also to consider and estimate the damage done to Marion G. Burbank of Somerville in said County for a similar assessment by said City Council

And also to consider and estimate the damage to Mrs. Simonds of Hanover in the state of Maine for a similar assessment by said City Council

Attest Charles E. Gilman
City Clerk

Meeting of the Clerks of the City and Towns included in the Fourth Middlesex Representative District at the City Hall in Somerville November 6th 1872. Twelve o'clock at noon as required by law.

The Clerk of the City of Somerville and the Clerks of the Towns of Malden, and Everett, which comprise the Fourth Middlesex District, met at the City Hall in Somerville November 6th 1872. Twelve o'clock at noon as required by law, to examine the returns of votes cast November 5th A.D. 1872. for Representatives of this District, to the great General Court of this Commonwealth, which were for the following persons namely:

Vote of Somerville

Charles H. Taylor	of Somerville	had 1774
Marcus M. Evans	of Everett	" 1195
John G. Mobbs	of Malden	" 1158
Daniel E. Chase	of Somerville	" 671
Columbus Carey	of Everett	" 531
Daniel Faulkner	of Malden	" 1
Thomas Adams	of Somerville	" 1
Jeffries Spear	of Somerville	" 1

Vote of Everett

Charles H. Taylor	of Somerville	had 369
Marcus M. Evans	of Everett	" 288
John G. Mobbs	of Malden	" 279
Daniel E. Chase	of Somerville	" 108
Columbus Carey	of Everett	" 119
Benjamin Faulkner		" 1

Vote of Malden

Charles H. Taylor	of Somerville	had 978
Alonzo H. Evans	of Everett	" 582
John H. Mitchell	of Malden	" 719
Daniel E. Chase	of Somerville	" 260
Columbus Borden	of Everett	" 343
Benjamin Faulkner	of Malden	" 21
D. H. Abbott	of Malden	" 2
George H. Tate	of Malden	" 1
William Johnson	of Everett	" 1
James Redpath	of Malden	" 1
Wm Cochrane	of Malden	" 1
John Mitchell	of Everett	" 1
Chase	of Somerville	" 1
Wm Cann	of Malden	" 1
C. O. Faulkner		" 1

Recapitulation

Charles H. Taylor	of Somerville	had 3116
Alonzo H. Evans	of Everett	" 2045
John H. Mitchell	of Malden	" 2156
Daniel E. Chase	of Somerville	" 1054
Columbus Borden	of Everett	" 998
Benjamin Faulkner	of Malden	" 22
Scattering		" 13

Messrs Charles H. Taylor, Alonzo H. Evans and John H. Mitchell having the highest number of votes cast certificates of their election were issued to them as representatives elect to the next General Court of this Commonwealth from the 8th Middlesex Representative District paid certificates being signed

By Charles E. Gilman Clerk of City of Somerville
" W. H. Sargent _____ Clerk of _____ (Malden)
" J. F. Cannell _____ Clerks of _____ (Everett
attest Charles E. Gilman City Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

November 11. 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Bennett, Pierce, Chase, Kimber, Pope, Davis Hopkins, Hall present

The reading of the records was dispensed with

On motion of Alderman Kimber the Rules and Orders in relation to the order of business were suspended in order that the Committee on elections with the addition of Alderman Kimber the returns from the several Wards in relation to the election of National and state officers on November 5th and make their report of the result of the same

Elections report of committee

The committee having attended to their duty reported that they had examined the several returns and found them correct as herein before recorded

Report was accepted and the official returns were certified and signed.

The said official returns, reference is hereby made to the preceeding page 489. and succeeding pages.

The check lists were revised and adopted

Check lists revised & adopted

Voted that the Board of Aldermen meet on Saturday evening previous to the Municipal election and on the day of election from nine to ten A.M. for the purpose of adding names to the voting lists.

Petition of John Byrnes for License as a common victualler on Holland Street was referred to the Committee on Licenses with full powers.

Licenses

Petition of John Byrnes

November 11, 1872.

The petition of W. H. Bingham and others in reference to the widening of School Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 13 Concurred in

Petition of A. O. Bingham widening School St referred

The petition of (C. E.) Johnson and others for day police in Winter Hill was referred to the Committee on Police

Order from the Common Council

City of Somerville

In Common Council November 6, 1872

Whereas under an agreement of arbitration of date June 3, 1872, between said City and certain abutters on Highland Avenue in regard to the assessment of damages and betterments occasioned by the construction of said Avenue, power was given to said City to choose an arbitrator in behalf of or on the part of said abutters in case they neglected so to do as in said agreement more fully appears, and whereas some of said abutters have neglected to sign in proper form the certificates of choice of an arbitrator by them, and whereas it is desirable to remove all doubt of the choice of said arbitrator being duly made and certified

Ordered, That the City of Somerville does hereby in pursuance of the power conferred upon it as aforesaid choose and designate Willard Sears of Winthrop, as the arbitrator under said agreement to act in place of the arbitrator to be appointed by said abutters, the said Sears having been the choice of said abutters, so far as their choice was made known.

Highland Ave arbitrator appointed

In Common Council November 6, 1872

Ordered, Sped and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen November 11, 1872.

Concurred in

November 11, 1872.

Report and Order of the Committee on Highways

Rush St. completion of report: and order of acceptance & assessment list.

In the City Council of the City of Somerville
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the matter of completing Rush Street, report that the laying out of said Street with the boundaries and admeasurements of the same is as shown upon a plan of the same, on file in the office of the city clerk which plan is herewith submitted as fully describing the same, and that such laying out with the boundaries and admeasurements was filed in the office of the town clerk of Somerville on the 8th day of July 1871, and that said street is now fully graded and completed, and said committee recommends the passage of the within order and of the accompanying order for assessment of betterments.

All which is respectfully submitted.

John M. Poor Chairman of Committee on Highways
City of Somerville.

In City Council November 11. 1872.

Whereas Rush Street in said Somerville has been duly laid out as a public street or way of said Somerville by the Selectmen of the town of Somerville and whereas such laying out with the boundaries and admeasurements was duly filed in the office of the town clerk on the 8th day of July 1871. and whereas said Rush street has been wholly completed and finished, now therefore it is hereby

Ordered

That the said Rush Street be and the same hereby is accepted and allowed as a public street or way of said Somerville and duly established as such

In Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872.

Accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 13. 1872

Concurred in

November 11, 1872.

Alderman Poor offered the following schedule of Assessments Warrant and order

City of Somerville

Schedule assessments made by the Board of Aldermen in pursuance of the provisions of the statutes of the Commonwealth upon the estates benefited by the laying out and grading as a public street or way of Somerville of Rush Street so called.

Estates	Locations on Street	Number of Sq. Feet	Price Per foot	Valuation	Betterment Estate	Betterment assessed
Charles Davis	Southwesterly side of Rush Street Corner Rush Street and Broadway	500 / 1125 / 1625 / 8750	40 / 30	1000 / 1125 / 3425	137.00	55.82
Thomas O Edmands	2 lots from Broadway	4500	30	1350.00	64.00	22.00
Benjamin Hudson	3 lots from Broadway	4500	30	1350.00	64.00	22.00
Richard Sullivan	4th lot from Broadway	4800	30	1440.00	57.60	23.4
Alvin P Blake	Corner of Rush Street Northwesterly side of Rush Street	5085	30	1524.90	60.99	24.5
John S Richardson	Corner of Rush Street Northwesterly side of Rush Street	2400	40	960.00	37.40	15.62
John S Richardson	2 lots southeasterly from Rush St Northwesterly side of Rush Street	2400	40	960.00	37.40	15.62
John S Richardson	3 lots southeasterly from Rush St Northwesterly side of Rush Street	2400	40	960.00	37.40	15.62
William Barber	4th lot southeasterly from Rush St	2565	40	1026.00	40.94	16.7
Lorenzo H Lowell	Corner of Webster Street	2552	40	1020.80	40.82	16.6
Marshall B Stebbins	Corner of Webster Street Northwesterly side of Webster Street	2700	40	1080.00	43.20	17.60
Samuel G Hanaquer	2 lots southeasterly from Webster Street	1470	40	588.00	23.52	9.5
James L Tyler	3 lots southeasterly from Webster St	6144	30	2443.20	97.73	39.8
Charles D Tufts	Corner of Pearl Street	7000	40	2800.00	112.00	45.6
Henry Coffin	Corner of Pearl Street	5700	40	2280.00	91.20	37.1
Moses G Steele	2 lots southeasterly from Pearl St	4000	30	1200.00	48.00	19.5
James A Clark	3 lots southeasterly from Pearl Street	10095	30	3028.50	121.14	49.3
Milo Crane	Corner of Flint Street Northeasterly side of Rush Street	4250	35	1697.50	67.90	27.6
Samuel W Burbee	Corner of Flint Street	10000	30	3000.00	120.00	48.9
Mrs Carrie B Smith	2 lots northwesterly from Flint street	1900	30	570.00	22.80	9.2
Henry L Sanford	Corner of Pearl Street	6500	40	2600.00	104.00	42.3
Edgar Paine	Corner of Pearl Street	6700	40	2680.00	107.20	43.6
Heirs of George H Taylor	2 lots Northwesterly from Pearl Street	8000	35	2800.00	112.00	45.6
Isaac W Snow	3 lots Northwesterly from Pearl Street	2600	35	910.00	36.40	14.8
Mrs Elizabeth B Swan	Corner of Webster Street	2300	40	920.00	36.80	14.9
Thomas H Burrett	Corner of Webster Street	6000	40	2400.00	96.00	39.1
				45013.90		7344.5

November 11, 1872.

Estates	Location on Street	Number of Sq. Feet	Price per foot	Valuation	Betterment Per Cent	Betterment Assessed
	Amounts brought forward			45013.70		1324.59
Margaret H Patten	Corner of Brook & Street	22515.	35¢	7880.25	3 11.21	128.44
Charles Oliver	Corner of Brook Street	3646 3520	20¢ 40¢	2534.00	100.56	40.97
Elisha Mills	Lot northerly from Brook Street	5280	30¢	1584.00	63.36	25.81
Charles H Cummings	Lot northerly from Brook Street	5200	30¢	1560.00	62.40	25.42
David Morrill	Lot northerly from Brook Street	5280	30¢	1584.00	63.36	25.81
Richard Williams	Corner of Broadway and Brook St.	4750 5000	30¢ 40¢	3425.00	137.00	55.82
				63561.15		1036.86

Memorandum: The amount of betterment to each estate is assessed at 4 per cent of valuation, and the amount of betterment assessed is 1.63 per cent of the valuation.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex ss.

To Aaron Sargent Treasurer and Collector of Taxes of the City of Somerville in said County

Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are hereby required to levy and collect the assessments and charges severally named in the list herewith committed to you, upon the several estates specified in said list, said assessments and charges being made by the Mayor and Aldermen of said City to defray in part the expense of laying out and grading Rush Street so called, as a public street or way of said Somerville, the same having been ascertained, assessed and certified hereby; and by the schedule and order hereto annexed you are hereby to complete and make up an account of the collection of said sums and pay the same into the Treasury of said City on or before the first day of January next, reckoning the date hereof, and in making collection and enforcing the payment of said sums you are to exercise the powers conferred by the statutes of said Commonwealth and to be governed thereby.

Witness George O Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville

November 11, 1872.

on this Eleventh day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two —

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E Gilman City Clerk

City of Somerville.

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

November 11. 1872.

Whereas within two years prior to the date of this order to wit Rush Street, so called, in this City of Somerville was duly laid out as a public street or way of said Somerville and has been thus laid out and graded at an expense of eighteen hundred seventy eight and 4/100 dollars; and whereas in the opinion of this Board the real estate named in the foregoing schedule has received benefit and advantage therefrom beyond the general advantage to all real estate in said Somerville it is therefore hereby

Ordered and Resolved that this Board does hereby adjudge and determine the value of such benefit and advantage to the estates hereinbefore referred to and named in the foregoing schedule (said estates being all the estates thus benefited) to be the sums in said schedule severally named and set against such estates, and that this Board does hereby assess upon the said estates respectively as a proportional share of the expense of laying out and grading said Rush Street the sums set against said estates severally and that the estates named in the foregoing schedule be and they hereby are respectively charged with and assessed the sums therein severally named against them the said sums and assessments not exceeding one half the amount of the adjudged benefit and advantages to said estates and the work of laying out and grading the said street or way being completed and the same accepted as aforesaid stated and it is furthermore hereby ordered that the warrant as aforesaid stated be adopted and issued. Attest Charles E Gilman City Clerk

In Board of Aldermen Nov 11 adopted. Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Nov 11 Concurred Dev.

Alderman Pope offered the following Order of Acceptance of Putnam Street and report of Committee in regard to the same.

Putnam St. completion of records and order of acceptance

In the City Council of the City of Somerville.

The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the matter of completing Putnam Street, report that the laying out of said street with the boundaries and dimensions of width of the same is as shown upon a plan of the same on file in the office of the City Clerk which said plan is here with submitted, so fully describing the same, and that such laying out with the boundaries and dimensions was filed in the office of the Town Clerk of Somerville on the 28th day of January, 1871, and that said street was fully graded and completed.

And said Committee recommends the passage of the within order and of the accompanying notice for assessment of betterments.

All respectfully submitted.

John N. Pope Chairman of Committee on Highways.

28 Oct. 1872.

City of Somerville

In City Council October 28, 1872.

Whereas Putnam Street in said Somerville has been duly laid out as a public street in said Somerville by the selectmen of the Town of Somerville, and whereas such laying out with the boundaries and dimensions was duly filed in the office of the Town Clerk on the 28th day of January 1871, and whereas said Putnam Street has been wholly completed and finished, now therefore it is hereby

Ordered, that the said Putnam Street be and the same hereby is accepted and allowed as a public street in said Somerville, and duly established as such.

John N. Pope

November 11, 1872

(The Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872,
Order and report adopted and sent down for
Concurrence)
(In Common Council November 13. 1872 —
Concurred in

(City of Somerville)

(Schedule of assessments made by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in pursuance of the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth upon the estates benefited by the laying out and grading as a public street or way of said Somerville of Pitman Street so called.)

Estates	Locations on Street	Number of Square Feet	Price Per Foot	Valuation	Betterment Con. Debt	Betterment Assessed
Margaret F Bent	Southeasterly side of Pitman Street Corner of Pitman and Summer Streets in office of City Clerk	6,780	30¢	2034.00	244.08	92.55
Jonathan W Manderlee	Lot No. 112 on Plan of Pitman Street	8789	20¢	1757.80	210.93	80.85
Jonathan W Manderlee	" " 111	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.92
Jonathan W Manderlee	" " 110	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.92
William C Fairfield	" " 109 Record owner Edward Malone	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
Robert A Muriel	" " 108 Record owner Edward Malone	5715	20¢	1143.00	137.16	52.57
Robert A Muriel	" " 107 Record owner George Lawson	5715	20¢	1143.00	137.16	52.57
Robert A Muriel	" " 106 Record owner Edward Malone	5715	20¢	1143.00	137.16	52.57
Robert A Muriel	" " 105	5715	20¢	1143.00	137.16	52.57
Charles Brown	" " 104 Record owner John Johnson W	5724	20¢	1144.80	137.61	52.57
Ephraim H Hunt	" " 103	5691	20¢	1138.20	136.58	52.32
Edward Malone	" " 102	5647	20¢	1129.40	135.52	51.92
Edward Malone	" " 101 Record owner Wyman Parker	5604	20¢	1120.80	134.49	51.51
Wyman B Parker	" " 100 Record owner Edward Malone	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
David Leonard	" " 99 Record owner John Kennedy	5525	20¢	1105.00	132.60	50.82
David Leonard	" " 98	5750	25¢	1437.50	172.50	67.3
Asa W Berry	" " 97	5534	25¢	1383.50	166.02	63.6
Asa W Berry	" " 96	5551	25¢	1387.00	166.44	63.8
Lewis L Glazier	" " 95	5567	25¢	1391.75	167.01	74.0
Francis L Dyer	" " 94	5583	25¢	1395.75	167.49	64.2
Benjamin F Sanborn	" " 93	5583	25¢	1395.75	167.49	64.2
John E Dwyer	Corner of Pitman and Highland Avenue	9150	35¢	3197.25	383.67	147.0

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Estates	Location on Street	Number of Sq. Feet	Price Per Foot	Valuation	Betterment Fee Bills	Betterment Assessed
Margaret F. Bent	On Northerly side of Putnam Street Corner of Putnam & Summer Streets	3900	30¢	1170.00	140.40	53.82
Benjamin Hadley	Lot No 72. on Plan of Putnam Street	3729	20¢	745.80	89.49	34.30
Benjamin Hadley	" " 73 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John B Johnson	" " 74 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John B Johnson	" " 75 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John B Johnson	" " 76 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John B Johnson	" " 77 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
Patrick Riley	" " 78 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
Benjamin Hadley	" " 79 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
Benjamin Hadley	" " 80 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John H Brizal	" " 81 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John H Brizal	" " 82 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
Elijah Walker	" " 83 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John H Hanson	" " 84 " " " " "	5650	20¢	1130.00	135.60	51.98
John B Johnson	" " 85 " " " " "	5650	22½¢	1271.25	152.55	58.47
John B Johnson	" " 86 " " " " "	5650	22½¢	1271.25	152.55	58.47
Joseph Libby	" " 87 " " " " "	5650	25¢	1412.50	169.50	64.97
William A Moore	" " 89 " " " " "	5650	25¢	1412.50	169.50	64.97
Henry B Sellers	" " 90 " " " " "	5650	25¢	1412.50	169.50	64.97
Granville W Daniels	" " 91 " " " " "	5650	25¢	1412.50	169.50	64.97
Wm P Brown	" " 92 " " " " "	5650	25¢	1412.50	169.50	64.97
John B Johnson	Corner of Putnam St & Highland Avenue	8136	35¢	2847.60	341.71	130.98
Joseph Libby	Lot No. 88 on Plan of Putnam Street	5650	25¢	1412.50	169.50	64.97
	Here amount of betterment to each estate is 12 per cent. 4/10 of betterment assessed is 4.046 per cent of the valuation					
				59453.40		2746.71

For Betterment Assessment Lists see Page, 543.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.

To Thomas E. Sargent, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes of the City of Somerville, in said County

Greeting:

Whereas the proprietors of the Commonwealth aforesaid you are therein required to levy and collect the assessments and charges severally named in the list hereunto committed to you, upon the several estates specified in said list, said assessments and charges being made by the Mayor and Aldermen of said City to defray in part the expense of laying out and grading Tennyson Street so called, as a public street in said Somerville, the same having been ascertained, assessed and adjudged thereby, and by the schedules and data hereto annexed; You are to certify and make up an account of the collection of said sums and pay the same into the Treasury of said City on or before the first day of January next ensuing the date hereof; and in making collection and enforcing payment of said sums you are to exercise the powers conferred by the Statutes of said Commonwealth and to be governed thereby.

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, this twenty-fourth day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E. Gilman, City Clerk.

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen

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Whereas within five years prior to the date of this order to wit, January 28, 1871, Tennyson Street so called in this City was duly laid out as a public street in said Somerville, and has thus been laid out and graded at an expense of three thousand seven hundred [illegible] ninety-two dollars; and whereas in the opinion of this Board the real estate named

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in the foregoing schedule has received benefit and advantage therefrom, beyond the general advantage to its real estate in said Somerville, it is therefore hereby

Ordered and resolved that this Board does hereby adjudge and determine the value of such benefit and advantage to the estate herein before referred to and named in the foregoing schedule, said estates being all the estates thus benefited, to the sum in said schedule severally named and set against such estates, and that this Board does hereby assess upon the said estates respectively, as a proportional share of the expense of laying out and grading said Putnam Street, the sums set against said estates severally and that the estates named in the foregoing schedule be and they hereby are respectively charged with and assessed the sums therein severally named against them, the said sums and assessments not exceeding one-half the amount of the adjudged benefit and advantage to said estates, and the work of laying out and grading the said Street being completed, and the same accepted as within stated, and it is furthermore hereby ordered that the warrants within specified be issued, adopted and passed

Attest

Charles E. Gilmore

City Clerk

In Board of Aldermen November 11 1872.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Charles E. Gilmore Clerk.

In Common Council November 13. 1872.
Concurred in Solomon Davis Clerk

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(Alderman Poor offered the following order)

City of Somerville

(In Board of Aldermen November 11, 1872.

Ordered

That there be allowed and paid to the parties hereinafter named the sums set against their names respectively in full payment for all damages sustained by them respectively to their estates, the description of which is set against their respective names, on account of the laying out and grading of Putnam St. by said City, the said City not thereby acknowledging any liability to said parties or that said parties have any legal claim against said City on account of the laying out and grading of said Street.

Putnam St. damages order to pay

Owners of Estates	Location	
Charles Brown	Lot No 104 on Putnam St plan with the City Office	$350.00
C. H. Chires	" " 103 " " " " " " " "	350.00
Edward Malone	" " 102 " " " " " " " "	500.00
Hyman Parker	" " 100 " " " " " " " "	350.00

In Board of Aldermen Nov 11 1872.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 13 Concurred in

Report of Committee, on petition

In Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872.

The petition of John Monahan for permission to lay a water pipe through the School House yard on Beacon Street to his premises in the rear of the same

Respectfully report that the prayer of the petitioner be granted provided he shall pay the City one dollar per year for the privilege

Water pipe Beacon St Monahan's petition allowed

In Board of Aldermen Nov 11.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 13 Concurred in

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Alderman Hoskins offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872.

Ordered:

That the Committee on Public Property be instructed and authorized to procure a suitable covering of such material as to them shall seem best, for the carpet in the Aldermen's room on such portion of the same, as they shall think advisable to be used at public hearings and on other occasions, when required

In Board of Aldermen November 11.

Order adopted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 13 Concurred in

Public Property Committee to purchase covering for carpet in Aldermen's room

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Alderman Chase offered the following Order

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872.

Ordered:

That the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized in the name and on the behalf of the City to present to the general court to be holden within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a petition for such legislation, as shall provide for and authorize the filling up of the basins of Mill-stone River and the draining of the same, and to cause such notice to be given of said petition as is required by law.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 18 Concurred in

Mill-stone River notice to the Legislature

Report of City Physician on vaccination

Somerville November 6. 1872.

To the Board of Health City of Somerville

Gentlemen:

In pursuance of an order passed by City Council for a monthly report from the City Vaccinator, I enclose the following:

Since October 14th I have received from Dr Henry A Martin Boston Highlands the only reliable source from which I could

Health Vaccination report Dr Dow

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obtained; Eighteen hundred and fifty fully ground & carefully charged points of animal vaccine ~~with the~~ virus or cow pox from the superior bovine Fifteen dollars per hundred.

I am at present receiving a semi weekly supply of 250 points. This secures to the residents of Somerville the purest and best vaccine virus known.

Of the above supply I have distributed to my colleagues as follows,

Ward One	Dr. Hemenway	284	Points
"	Dr Hanscom	315	"
Ward Two	Dr White	319	"
"	Dr Dow	445	"
Ward Three	Dr Willis	189	"
Ward Four	Dr Chapin	125	"
	Balance on hand	85	"
	Not accounted for	16	"
		1850	"

I have vaccinated at office 397

Revaccinated at residences 16

Primary vaccination at residences 32

Total 445

Hm H. Dow (City) Physician

In Board of Aldermen report accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 13 Concurred in

Health Vaccination report Dr Hemenway

Report of Dr Hemenway on vaccination

Somerville, November 8, 1872.

To the Board of Health of the City of Somerville

I submit herewith a report of the number of persons vaccinated by me during the month of October as nearly as I can do so. I did not know a report was to be made and was not very particular to keep an account on some days when I was particularly busy some were thus forgotten and rather than guess at the number I report

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only those positively known, viz.
Number of persons vaccinated, 149
" " " revaccinated 18
Total 167.
H. P. Kimmey

Report received and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 18 Concurred in

Alderman Gizzo offered the following order
In Board of Mayor and Aldermen Nov 11. 1872.
Ordered
That abatements on sewer assessments laid by the Selectmen of the town of Somerville in 1870, on a common sewer constructed in Maple Avenue as follows
To Wm B Stearns the sum of $230.00
and to the following named persons, such abatements as will leave the amounts to be paid by them severally to be at the rate of fifty cents per linear foot on the premises assessed.
Heirs of James M Stearns
James M Stearns Sarah M Stearns
Heirs of William Stearns
Mrs Caroline L Smith
Heirs of Eliza Silver M S Stearns
Mrs G W Barrett and Sarah M Phillips and
Mrs Harriet L Perry
In Board of Aldermen November 11. 1872.
Order adopted

Sewer Maple Ave abatements

The Mayor nominated Thomas Lewis Special Constable for the Collection of taxes
The nomination was confirmed by the Aldermen

Police Special Constables appointed

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Alderman Kimball offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen November 11, 1872.

Ordered _____

That it be proposed to the Common Council that a hearing be had at the Hall of the Prescott School House in said Revere, at 7½ o'clock P.M. Thursday the 28 instant for the purpose of hearing and considering the complaints of the School Committee in the matter of alterations, repairs and supplies, the Committee on Public Property, where the Prescott School House and the premises belonging thereunto.

Prescott School contention for hearing

Order passed and concurred in, with a view of ascertaining the wishes of the Public Property may be placed to give also to consider and report relative to the appropriation of funds for School Buildings and the City Ordinances as applying to the same, whether requiring alterations and amendments

Order adopted and passed, and concurred in

In Common Council Nov. 13. Non Concurred in

The petition of J. C. Lochman and others for crossing at Elm & Medford Streets

Adjourned

Chas. E. Gilman
Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

December 13, 1872.

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Bennett, Gates, Chase, Kelly, Pickard, Perkins and Hall present

Record of last meeting was approved

Order from the Common Council

In Common Council December 13. 1872.
Ordered that the Committee on Public Property be requested to proceed forthwith to heat the rooms of the City Hall building with hot air furnaces.
Order indorsed Amended by inserting steam in place of hot air furnaces.
As amended adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen November 18.
Alderman Bennett moved to amend by referring to a Select Committee of three consisting of the Mayor, President of the Common Council and the City Solicitor.
The amendment was rejected.
The Order was then concurred in.

City Hall heating Order

Communication from Judge Story

Communication from Judge Story

To the Honorable the City Council
of the City of Somerville.

The undersigned begs leave to call your attention to the fact of there being no proper nor sufficient means of heating the Police Court Room in the City Hall Building. Therefore, we have resorted to the use of gas, from burners intended for illuminating purposes only, this has been found entirely inadequate, and to render the atmosphere offensive and unhealthy.

The provisions of the Court are by law required to be held daily, and the incidental business frequently requires a prolonged occupation of the room, it has become

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unfavorable, in such existing state of things to transact the business of the Court with a due regard to the Health & Comfort of the Bench and Officers, the members of the Bar and other persons there having business, I therefore respectfully request your Honorable Body to cause immediate measures to be taken for the proper and sufficient heating and ventilating of the Police Court Room in Judge Dalby's convenient to the Court Room, is also much needed. Suitable Safe has also been long required for the order & disposition of the books, blanks and other papers provided by the County, at a large expense, for the necessary business of the Court with the confident belief that these wants need only to be named to be supplied

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Nov 20. Concurred in

Rossland St

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petition referred

The petition of J E Ironman and others, accompanied by a Map and Plat, was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for Concurrence

In Common Council November 20 - Concurred in.

Health

Dr Millis' report

Report of Dr Millis on Vaccination

To his Honor the Mayor and the City Council

In compliance with the order of the Board of Aldermen and Common Council I hereby respectfully submit a report of my vaccinations for Ward Three for the month ending November 10. 1872.

Persons vaccinated	175
Revaccinated	39
Total	214

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Nov 20. Concurred in

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The petition of Patrick Duggan and others in reference to Lowell Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 20 Concurred in

Lowell St. Duggan's petition referred

The petition of Ira Hill for sidewalk to be laid with brick from Warren Hall Block to Warren Avenue on Bow Street was referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 20 Concurred in

Bow Street brick sidewalks referred

Report of Dr Hanscom on vaccination
In compliance with a request received from City Council dated October 28, 1872, I hereby state that I vaccinated 186 individuals from the date of my appointment October 10 to November 1, 1872, all residents of Somerville.
Report accepted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 20 Concurred in

Health Dr Hanscom's report

The petition of C. B. Rowe for permission to erect a two story wooden dwelling house corner of Franklin and Arlington Street was referred to Committee on Licenses with full powers

License to B. Rowe referred

The communication from the office of committee for procuring employment was read and sent down for information

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Petition of Timothy Knight and others for the grading of Elm Street was referred to the Committee on Highways with instructions to repair the same forthwith and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council November 20, 1872.
Concurred in in reference to the Committee on Highways
Not of endorsement—now concurred in
In Board of Aldermen, Nov 25 Concurred in the amendment.

Elm Street grading referred

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The communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department recommending additional fire apparatus was referred to the Committee on Fire Department, and report asked for concurrence.
In Common Council November 20. Concurred in.

Fire Dept
Communication of Chf Engineer referred

Report of the joint Special Committee for the better accommodations of the Police and Fire Departments.

The joint Special Committee appointed by this City Council, to consider the best policy to provide for the requisite wants of the Police Department, the proper location, and for the better accommodations of the Fire Department in Ward Four, also consider the expediency of selling the City Stable Lot, on the corner of Mills and Prospect Streets, respectfully report, that in the judgment of this Committee the head quarters of the Police, and the Police Court should be at Union Square; although a distance from the center of the City, it is in our opinion the center of Police work, more convenient and accessible than any other point in the City by Steam or Horse Rail Roads.

We also find that the Fire Department require more convenient and better accommodations in this part of the City. Having examined several central points in the immediate vicinity of Union Square we find nothing that better commends itself to our judgment than the City Stable lot on the corner of Mills and Prospect Streets.

We therefore do not believe it expedient to sell this lot, but recommend that a building be erected thereon suitable to meet the requirements of the Police and Fire Departments, and arranged for a Police Court, Ward Room, and Armory. The cost of such a building in our opinion would not exceed twenty thousand dollars.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee
Daniel F. Chase, Nathan G. Pratt, Thomas G. Lord, John F. Bolton,
Time accepted and order drawn for concurrence
In Common Council November 20 Concurred in

Fire Dept
accommodations
report

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Report of Committee on Water — Bedford Street Hydrants report

The petition of Michael Vose and others praying that two Hydrants be placed on Bedford & Kneeland Streets, Nothing Railroad, referred to the Committee on Water.

Respectfully report that the request of the petitioners be granted, whenever the Water Board shall deem it proper to put the same.

Referred to Water Board and sent down for concurrence.

~~In Board of Aldermen~~. In Common Council Nov 20 Concurred in.

Alderman Chase offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen November 18. 1872

Ordered

That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized, and instructed to pay to Edmund L Gilman, the sum of three hundred dollars for his services as Assistant Clerk in the office of the City Clerk during the current year, the same to be charged to Miscellaneous account — Order to pay E L Gilman for services

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council November 20 Concurred in

Alderman Fisher offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen November 18. 1872 — Order to pay Asst Treasurer

Ordered That the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for the Treasurers assistant for three months services to December 31st — provided said sum when paid be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council November 20. Concurred in

Alderman Hall offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen November 18. 1872. — City Hall heating order adopted

Ordered that the sum of sixteen hundred dollars be transferred from Miscellaneous account to City Hall Ventilation account.

The question was taken by yeas and nays the result being a tie vote. The Mayor voted in the affirmative thereby adopting the order

(In Common Council November 20, 1872 Concurred in)

The order having been adopted was put down for concurrence.
In Common Council November 20, 1872 - Concurred in

Report of Committee on Public Property
(In Board of Aldermen November 18, 1872.

Report of Committee in regard to petition of School Committee praying that the City purchase the land and building thereon occupied by the Baptist Society on Beach Street.

The Committee on Public Property to whom the order was referred relating to purchase of the premises unanimously voted to recommend the purchase of said property at a cost of - Five Thousand dollars.

Which was accepted and put down for concurrence.
In Common Council November 20, 1872 - Concurred in.

Beach Street school land report

Alderman Pope offered the following order
(In Board of Mayor and Aldermen November 18, 1872.
Ordered)

That the Committee on Public Property be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to purchase the Baptist Chapel so called with the land belonging to the same on Beach Street containing been fifty rods or less for the sum of - Five thousand dollars: and the committee on Finance are hereby authorized and instructed to borrow the said sum for a term not exceeding ten years, the bond to be issued for said loan, to be dated October 1, 1872.

Order accepted and under a suspension of the Rules and Orders received its second reading and passed (passage put down for concurrence). In Common Council Nov 20. Accepted under a suspension of Rules and Orders received its second reading upon passage

Beach Street school land order to purchase

Alderman Quinn offered the following order
Ordered that an invitation be given the Councils, and they hereby are invited to occupy the Aldermen's Room for their meetings until such time as the building is finished.

And the messenger is hereby instructed to prepare the room

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further accommodation
Order adopted and sent to the Council
In Common Council November 20 Invitation accepted

Alderman Gibbs offered the following order
In Board of Mayor and Aldermen Nov. 18th
Ordered:
That the assessment assessed to "Steams Mill" in Common Sewer Assessment Roll upon the petition of Benedict - Steams
Mill, be re-assessed to Harriet - Steams, paid prior an abatement of $60.00 be made from said assessment -
Order adopted.

Benedict Steams

Alderman Hall offered the following order

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen

November 18, 1872

Ordered

Warrants order of posting

That the Warrants for the ensuing election to be held on the first Monday of December next of Municipal officers shall be served by posting copies thereof in not less than four public places in each Ward, and by publishing the same in the Somerville Journal two preceding weeks, such service except as to the last publication aforesaid, to be made seven days at least before said meeting
The Order was adopted.

The following warrants were ordered to be issued notifying the inhabitants of the Municipal Election

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Copy of Warrant

Ward One

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No. One, qualified to vote as the law directs, to assemble at the Hall in the Prescott School Building on Park Street on Monday, the second day of December (being the first Monday) of said December, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their votes for the following city and ward officers, namely:

One Alderman, Clerk, and three Inspectors of Elections for said Ward One, and to be residents in said Ward

One Mayor, right Aldermen, two Aldermen being selected from each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at large, voting in their respective Wards.

Four Common Councilmen for said Ward

One member of the School Committee for said ward for three years, to be a resident of said Ward.

also one member of the School Committee for said Ward, for two years, to be a resident of said Ward, and to fill the vacancy occurring in the School Committee by the resignation of the member of said Committee for said Ward, elected for three years, at the last election of Municipal Officers.

The polls for the choice of all the several officers aforesaid, will be opened as aforesaid at 11 o'clock A. M. and close at four o'clock P. M.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot

November 18, 1872.

Have of this not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O. Brastow Mayor of said City of Somerville on this eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen,
Charles E. Gilman
City Clerk

Copy of Warrant

Ward One

City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No. Two qualified as the law directs to assemble at Prescott Hall in Union Square on Monday the second day of December 1872. being the first Monday of said December at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon and keep the same until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for the following City and Ward officers namely

One Ward Clerk and three inspectors of elections for said Ward Two and to be provided to said Ward

A Mayor Eight Aldermen, two aldermen being elected from each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at Large, voting in their respective wards

Four Common Councilmen for said Ward

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Constable within named to warn the inhabitants of said Ward qualified to vote in said Ward

Sir, hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By Order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E. Gilman City Clerk

(City of Somerville)

(Ward Three)

(City of Somerville)

(Seal) (Constable of the City of Somerville)

(Return)

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Nine qualified to vote in the manner directed to assemble in the Hall of the Prospect School House on Tuesday the second day of December 1872, being the first Monday of said December, at eight o'clock in the forenoon and from that time until six o'clock in the afternoon then and there to give in their ballots for the following City and Ward Officers namely

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To Warden, Clerk, and three Inspectors of Election for said Ward: Greeting and to the residents of said Ward.

To Mayor, Eight Aldermen, two Aldermen being selected from Each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at large, voting in their respective Wards.

Four Common Councilmen for said Ward

One member of the School Committee for said Ward for three years, to be a resident of said Ward.
also one member of the School Committee for said Ward for one year, to be a resident of said Ward, and to fill the vacancy occurring in the School Committee by the resignation of the member of said Committee for said Ward elected for two years at the last election of Municipal Officers

The polls in each of all the several Offices aforesaid will be opened this day at 8 o'clock A.M. and close at 4 o'clock P.M.

All the foregoing as is fully noted from our Ballot.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O. Brastow Mayor of our said City of Charlestown, on this Eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By Order of the Mayor and Aldermen

(Attest Charles E. Wyman)
(City Clerk)

(Form of Warrant) Nov. 18, 1872.

Ward Four

City of Somerville

(In name) Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Four, qualified to vote, as the law directs, to assemble at the Hall of the Moor School Building on Thurston Street, on Monday the second day of December 1872, being the first Monday of said December at three o'clock in the forenoon and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon then and there, to give in their ballots for the following City and ward officers, namely.

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1. Warden, Clerk and three Inspectors of Elections for said Ward Four, and to be residents of said Ward.

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(2) Mayor, eight aldermen, two aldermen being selected from each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the city at large, and two) in their respective Wards.

(Three Common Councilmen for said Ward)

One member of the school Committee for said Ward, for three years, to be resident of said Ward.

The polls for the choice of all the moral officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at three o'clock P.M. and close at 4 o'clock P.M.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon

Witness George O. Brastow Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By Order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E. Gilman City Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

Lawrence, November 25, 1872.

(Mayor presiding.)

Aldermen Hoitt, Hastings, Davis, Poor, Sutton, Chase, Grimes, and Bennett present.

Records of last meeting were approved.

Order from the Common Council
In Common Council November 20, 1872.
Ordered,
That the Joint Special Committee appointed to consider the best way to provide for the requirements of the Police and Fire Department be instructed to procure plans and specifications for a suitable building to be erected on the corner of Prospect and Mill Streets as recommended in their report.
Order adopted, and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen November 25. Concurred in.

Fire Dept and Police accommodations Order

Order from Common Council
In Common Council November 20, 1872.
Ordered,
That the thanks of the Common Council be tendered to the Board of Aldermen for their kind offer of the use of their comfortable quarters, until such time as the City Hall may be fitted with heating apparatus.
Order adopted, and sent up.
In Board of Aldermen Nov 25, read and placed on file.

Thanks of Common Council

The Rules and Orders in reference to the regular order of business were suspended.

Simeon Stratton, Peleg Howes, and Charles Adams were drawn as jurors to the Supreme Court to be holden at Cambridge on the second Monday in December next.

Jurors

November 25, 1872.

In accordance with an order passed October 28. 1872 — a hearing was held in reference to abatements on sewer assessments for the construction of sewer in Franklin Avenue all persons having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed and the applications for abatements was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Franklin Ave sewer abatements hearing

In accordance with an order passed October 28. 1872, a hearing was held in reference to abatements on sewer assessments for construction of sewer in Washington Waverly and Franklin Streets all persons having been heard in the matter the hearing was closed. The applications for abatements was referred to the Committee on sewers.

Washington Waverly and Franklin sewer abatements hearing

The Mayor nominated and the Aldermen confirmed William H. Thomas and James Dorly as special Police Officers without compensation

Special Police appointed

The petition of Thomas J. Delano for abatement of taxes was referred to the Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence December 4 1872. Concurred in.

Claim T. J. Delano referred

Report of Committee on Highways

The committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Addison Smith and others on Sidewalk in Medford Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted

Report accepted and filed and sent down for concurrence

Concurred in.

Medford Street sidewalks report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Pearson and Wing for liberty to construct a brick head in Shannon Street, recommend that permission be granted upon the following conditions namely

Pearson and Wings petition report

November 25, 1872.

that said Curb head shall not extend into the sidewalk more than four feet, and shall be on grade with the sidewalk
That the petitioners shall keep it repair for public travel, and hold the City harmless from any and all damage which may arise from said Curb head.
The City reserving the right to revoke this permission whenever the public good may so require
Which accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence
_____ Concurred in

Report of Melville C. Parkhurst, agent of Board of Health.

_____ Somerville November 23. 1872. _____ Health report of Agent

To the Honorable _____
_____ Mayor and City Council sitting as a Board of Health. _____

I hereby submit a report of my doings in the following cases of contagious diseases
B. F. Underhill, Frank Northern, Ella Dalin, B. Stinchcomb, Capt Broughton and Dennett O Leary
I have caused a red flag to be displayed at each place and have a person employed at a cost of three dollars per day to visit each place daily to procure food medicines &c
Dennett O Leary is one of emergency and when the Board could not be conveniently assembled. By virtue of authority vested in me by the Board of Health of Somerville, I have made the following as Regulations of the Board of Health when contagious diseases exist in said Somerville

_____ First _____

All persons (except Physicians) are forbidden to enter any house or houses where said disease is known to exist without first obtaining a written license from a member of the Board of Health or its Agent so to do.

Second November 25, 1872

Parents and Guardians shall cause their children to be vaccinated as soon as a contagious disease makes its appearance in their neighborhood, who cannot prove to the satisfaction of the City Physician that they have been successfully vaccinated or revaccinated within five years.

Third

All persons over twenty one years of age and not under guardianship who do not prove as aforesaid that they have been successfully vaccinated or revaccinated within five years shall be vaccinated when called upon by the Physician appointed for that purpose

Fourth

These Regulations to be in force in all cases where in the opinion of the agent of the Board of Health and the attending Physician the disease cannot be properly isolated otherwise

Thelwell C Parkhurst
Agent of the Board of Health
of Somerville

In Board of Health accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 4. 1872. Concurred in

(Alderman Pope offered the following order)
In Board of Mayor and Aldermen November 25. 1872
Ordered That the schedule of assessment for betterments to estates on Rush Street, accompanying an order and resolve of this Board passed the 11th instant be so amended that the aggregate amount of said schedule shall read One Thousand and thirty five and 84/100 dollars instead of One Thousand and thirty six and 54/100 dollars.
Order adopted

Rush Street betterments amended

November 25, 1872

Alderman Poor offered the following order
In Board of Mayor and Aldermen November 25. 1872.
Ordered
That the Schedule of assessments for betterments to be laid on Putnam Street, accompanying an order and resolve of this Board passed the 11th instant be so amended that the aggregate amount of said Schedule shall read Twenty seven hundred and Thirty four and 7/100 dollars instead of Twenty seven hundred and fifty five and 7/100 dollars
In Board of Aldermen Order adopted.

Putnam Street betterments amended

Alderman Pierce offered the following order.
In Board of Mayor and Aldermen Nov 25. 1872.
Ordered
That an abatement of Twenty seven dollars be made from the sewer assessment of Joseph Clark Laidner & Prospect and Washington Street Sewer.
In Board of Aldermen Order adopted

Prospect Street sewer abatement

Alderman Bennett offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen Nov 25. 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on State Aid and Soldiers Relief are hereby authorized to furnish certain soldiers families so far as has been the custom for Thanksgiving with a Turkey or other poultry for Thanksgiving, and pay for the same from the appropriation for the relief of Soldiers families, not exceeding the sum of three hundred dollars
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 4. Concurred in

Military soldiers to be furnished with turkeys

The matter of extension of sewer under the Boston and Albany Railroad on Millers River was referred to the Committee on sewers with full powers.

Millers River sewer referred

November 25 - 30, 1872. Dec. 2, 1872.

The Committee on Burial Grounds made a verbal report in reference to the purchase of a lot of land for burial purposes, — Burial grounds report & Order

On motion of Alderman Clinton.

Voted. That the subject of procuring land for burial purposes be recommitted to the Committee on Burials with instructions to select a lot in Woodlawn Cemetery which they can recommend to the City Council and report the most favorable terms upon which it can be obtained

Adjourned

Charles E Gilman

Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

Nov 30. 1872. Voting lists

The Mayor presiding.

Aldermen all present —

The Board met for the purpose of adding the names of qualified voters to the voting lists — names added

adjourned

Charles E Gilman

Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

December 2. 1872 — Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hale, Hawkins, Davis, Fisher, Chase and Bennett — present

The Board met for the purpose of adding the names of qualified voters of the City to the voting lists — (voting) lists names added

Adjourned Charles E Gilman

Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

(December 2. 1872.

Mayor presiding)

(Aldermen Hall, Hastings, Davis, Poor, Fowler, Gunis and Bennett present

Record of last meeting read and approved)

(Mr. Russo and others in reference to the regular orders of business was suspended)

The following persons were drawn as jurors, in accordance with a venire issued by the Sheriff of Middlesex County to estimate the damages done to Oliver Williams of Charlestown in said County by reason of the taking of lands, wharf, dock and flats of said Williams in said Charlestown for Railroad purposes by the Majestic River Rail Road and the Boston and Lowell Rail Road Corporations, namely, Jurors

Benjamin P. Lovejoy, Albro N. Jenness, Milo Crane, Forest G. Hanes, and Ethel B. Hughes

The following persons were drawn as jurors to consider and estimate the damage done to Alex G. Faith and Thomas F. Holden of Boston in the County of Suffolk and others by reason of the assessments of their several proportional parts of the cost of building a common sewer in Bartlett Street in the City of Charlestown by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of said City; namely, Edward Dodge, Quincy A. Minot, Joshua Davis and A. R. Walker. Jurors

The report of the Chief of Police was read and placed on file. Report of Chief

December 2, 1872.

The report of the chief Engineer of the Fire Department was received read and ~~placed on file~~ sent down for information. Fire Dept. Ch. Engineers report

The petition of C. P. Burgin for licence to remove a building from Otter Street to Otis Street was referred to the Committee on Licenses with full powers.

The petition of Chas. and others in reference to the lines and the grading of Potter Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council December 4. 1872 Concurred in. Porter St. lines referred

Report of Dr Emory L. White on vaccination

Somerville Nov 23. 1872.

Wishing to concur with the City Council in their request for a monthly report of the number of persons vaccinated by myself I take pleasure in announcing to them that from October 14th 1872. To November 14th 1872. I have duly vaccinated two hundred and seventy four persons report accepted and sent down for information.

Emory L. White

Vocalch report of Dr. E. L. White

Report of Committee on Highways

Somerville December 2. 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John O'Brien and others for the laying out of Brick Yard Lane from Prospect Street to Walnut Avenue, report, that as the time is not far distant when the whole of this lane from Prospect Street to Beacon Street must be laid out as one way and the question of the Country Commissioners will then be necessary on account of the crossing of the Fitchburg Railroad; and also as the petitioners remonstrate against the laying out, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

Report accepted adopted & sent down for concurrence.

Concurred in

Brick Yard Lane laying out report

Report of Committee on Highways December 2, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the remonstrance of Nathaniel Merrill and others against the laying out of Brick Yard Lane, recommend that the prayer of the remonstrants be granted.
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4 Concurred in

Brick Yard Lane remonstrants report

Report of the Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Dennett and others abutters on Brick Yard Lane, for the lines of said Lane and the removal of alleged encroachments therein, report that the Committee with the City Engineer have visited the locality, and find it impossible to ascertain the original lines of said Lane, and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw
Report accepted, adopted sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4 Concurred in

Brick Yard Lane lines report

Report of Committee on Highways
Warren and Columbus Avenue
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Mr. C. M. Wheeler and others for the acceptance of Warren and Columbus Avenues, report that as Warren Place the natural street for these avenues, is not an accepted way, nor of sufficient width for acceptance, and said Avenues not being properly graded, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4 Concurred in

Warren Ave
Columbus Ave
report

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Hugh Blackwell for compensation for the loss of a horse in Neat Pasture Street recommend that he be paid the sum of fifty dollars

Claim
Hugh Blackwell
report

December 2, 1872.

Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 4 1872 Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways (Sidewalk) on Bow Street.

Bow Street sidewalk report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Wm Hill for a sidewalk in Bow Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.
Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4 Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways Lowell Street

Lowell St. Duggan's petition report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Duggan and others for the repair of Lowell Street, report that inasmuch as said street is not an accepted way, the committee do not feel authorized to thoroughly grade the street, but propose to afford such temporary relief as may be consistent in the premises.
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4 1872. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

Dover Street & Day Street acceptance of report

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Henry D Baker and others for the acceptance of Dover and Day Streets, report in regard to the former it is already an accepted way, and recommend in regard to the latter, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.
Report accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways Dec. 2, 1872

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of F. & Lochmans and others for a crossing at Junction of Maxland and Elm Streets recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 4. 1872. Concurred in

Rossland Street
Lochmans petn.
report

Report of Committee on Highways
Prescott Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the construction of Prescott Street report that the whole cost of constructing said Street was $5.123.75 cts, and after deducting $1.024.03 to be paid by the City; recommend that the sum of $2099.72 be assessed on the abutters, the betterment to the estates being $5.361.
Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 4. Concurred in

Prescott Street
report & order

Alderman Hawkins offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen December 2. 1872.
Ordered That the Committee on Highways be and hereby are authorized to proceed to lay assessment and award damages on Prescott Street according to law.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 4. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways
Bonair Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the construction of Bonair Street, report that the whole cost of constructing said street was $1.712.79. and after deducting $393.56 to be paid by the City; recommend that the sum of $1.319.17 dollars be assessed upon the abutters: The betterment to the estates being $3.517.10 dollars.
Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 4 Concurred in

Bonair Street
report & order

December 2, 1872.

Alderman Cushing offered the following order

City of Somerville

Somerville December 2. 1872.

Ordered.

That the Committee on Highways be and hereby is authorized to proceed to lay assessments and award damages on Bonair Street according to plan.

Order accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 4. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the petition of James Smith and William H. Bond for damage in consequence of change in grade of Bonair Street, report that the petitioners have no claim for damage and therefore have leave to withdraw —

Voted to accept and adopt and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council December 4. Concurred in

Claims of James Smith and Wm. H. Bond — Bonair St. report

A communication was received from Thomas Cunningham, late Treasurer of the Town of Somerville making a claim of One hundred and twenty five dollars for rent of house as Treasurer's office for nine years.

Alderman Poor made a motion that the claim be allowed and paid — The motion was not seconded.

Claim of Thos. Cunningham

On motion of Alderman Quinn

Ordered that the Mayor be authorized to offer a reward of two hundred dollars for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who assaulted Policeman Edward N. Henderson on the morning of November 29. 1872

In Board of Aldermen Order adopted

Police reward E. N. Henderson

Report of Committee on Sewers. Dec. 2, 1872.

New Florence Street

In Board of Aldermen Dec 2. 1872.

Your Committee respectfully report that they have constructed a brick sewer in New Florence Street a distance of 500 feet. Cost $926.00

New Florence St. sewer report

Herewith is presented for assessment list and warrant and your committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith

assessment & order & agreement

Report accepted and adopted and the assessment list certified

Assessment list for construction of Sewer in New Florence Street from Washington Street a distance of five hundred feet

Owners & Estates benefited	Side	Front	Number of feet	Valuation	Rate per cent Assessment	Assessment
D. F. Crane	east side	85	6800	2720.00	2 93/100	79.69
D. F. Crane	" "	150	12000	4800.00	"	140.64
Charles H. Higgins	" "	137	10960	4384.00	"	128.45
D. F. Crane	West side	25	1950	780.00	"	22.86
George F. Higgins	" "	60	4800	1920.00	"	56.26
D. F. Crane	" "	135	10800	4320.00	"	126.58
E. H. Wright	" "	30	2400	960.00	"	28.13
E. H. Lawrence	" "	30	2400	960.00	"	28.13
D. W. Deming	" "	30	2400	960.00	"	28.13
Josiah Carter & heirs	" "	60	4800	1920.00	"	56.26
William Burry	" "	30	2400	960.00	"	28.13
				24684.00		723.26

See Warrant & assessment list in City Treasurers office

Alderman Glines offered the following order Dec. 2, 1872

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen December 2, 1872.

Ordered

That the cost of constructing the common sewer within referred to, amounting to three hundred and twenty-five dollars and fifty cents deducting the proportion thereof namely $201.74 to be paid by the City, there remaining $123.26 to be assessed upon persons benefited, the sums named in the within schedule, being the sums set as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued.

Order was adopted

Sewer Florence St.

Agreement of the abutters on Florence Street

agreement & abutters

Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned, abutters on Florence Street in Somerville do hereby for valuable consideration agree with the City of Somerville that said City may lay, make and maintain a main drain or common sewer in said Florence Street as prayed for in the within petition, and that said City of Somerville shall have the same rights as to laying, making, maintaining and repairing such drain or sewer, and as to making and collecting assessments on account of the expense thereof, as if the same were laid in a public street of said City, we the said abutters, hereby waiving all notice of the laying of said sewer, and we do hereby further release to the said City of Somerville all claim for damages, consequential or in by reason of laying the said sewer, as aforesaid, in said Street. Witness our hands and common seal this 14th day of October A.D. 1872 D. T. Pearce

Samuel D. Wright, Jacob H. Carter, B. F. Lawrence, W. Desmond, B. F. Higgins

Adjourned Charles E. Gilman Clerk

Municipal Election

City of Somerville December 2, 1872

Return of meeting held in Ward One on the second day of December A.D. 1872. Municipal Election

Copy of Warrant,
City of Somerville

To any Constable of the City of Somerville, Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward No One qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble at the Hall in the Prescott School Building on Pearl Street on Monday the second day of December, 1872 being the first Monday of said December at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for the following City and Ward Officers namely

One Warden, Clerk, and three Inspectors of Elections for said Ward One, and to be residents in said Ward

One Mayor, eight Aldermen, two Aldermen being selected from each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at large, voting in their respective wards.

Four Common Councilmen in said Ward

One member of the School Committee for said Ward for three years, to be a resident of said Ward

also one member of the School Committee for said Ward, for two years to be a resident of said ward, and to fill the vacancy occurring in the School Committee by the resignation of the member of said Committee for said Ward.

elected for three years, at the last election of Municipal Officers

The polls for the choice of all the several officers aforesaid, will be opened as aforesaid at 11 o'clock, P.M. and close at four o'clock, P.M.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon

Given under George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this eighteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E. Gilman, City Clerk

Officers Return.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.
City of Somerville, November 23. 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward No. One in the city of Somerville qualified as the law directs according to the within warrant by posting a true copy of warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward near the place of the meeting as specified in the within warrant such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting aforesaid in said warrant also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal November 23 and 30th 1872 a newspaper published in said Somerville

Fairfax Manson, Constable of said City of Somerville
(Also Ward 13 Selectmen Ward Clerk)

(Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the citizens of Ward number one qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed, the absence of Inspector John McBarty, Albert Hughes was chosen Inspector Pro tem and qualified as follows (A. D. C. Hughes do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties incumbent upon me as Inspector pro tem of Ward One in the City of Somerville so help me God.)

Albert C Hughes

(Middlesex ss. December 2, 1872.

Subscribed and sworn to before me

(Daniel Lewis Warden)

Pursuant to the proclamation and the officers returned therein were then read by the Warden, who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward, qualified by law to vote, to give in their votes by ballot for the persons represented in said warrant.

At four o'clock P.M. the polls were closed, and the whole number of ballots given in, having been received sorted and counted in open ward meeting by the Warden and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law, the result was as follows, namely

The number of votes was one hundred and ninety three)

For Mayor

George O Proctor had one hundred & ninety one
John T. Dow had one.

For Aldermen

Ward One

Wm H Parker had One hundred & ninety two
Frank D Bonant had One hundred & ninety
Michael Hanley had one

For Aldermen Ward Two

Clark Bennett had One hundred & ninety two
Nathan Hughes had One hundred & ninety three
John C. Bolton had One
[illegible] had One
[illegible] had One

Ward Three

Jacob W. Weiss had One hundred & ninety three
Austin H. Bishop had One hundred & ninety three

Ward Four

Christopher Rymes had one hundred and ninety three
Simon Davis had One hundred and ninety two

For Common Councilmen

Charles Pope had one hundred & ninety three and was Elected
Edward Hurlbut had One hundred & ninety one and was Elected
Cromwell Wiswell had one hundred & eighty seven and was Elected
John Beall had One hundred and ninety one and was Elected
Daniel H. Pritchard had [illegible]
Francis C. Gallagher had One
John C. Pettibone had One
John McCarty had One
C. S. Mudgett had One

For Marshal

[illegible] had One hundred and ninety three was Elected

For Ward Clerk

Charles B. Robbins had One hundred & ninety three & was Elected

For Inspectors of Elections

Simon Wilbur had One hundred & ninety two was Elected
H. C. Hughes had One hundred & ninety three was Elected
C. J. Barnes had One hundred & ninety three & was Elected
E. L. Chase had One

School Committee

For Three Years

Stephen S. Woodcock had one hundred eighty-seven votes elected.

For One Year

Samuel Hanscom had one hundred thirty-three votes elected.
Wm. E. Gregory had One
Wm. H. Merrill had One.

Whereupon declaration was thereupon made in the ward meeting by the Warden of the state of the ballots, as sorted and counted as aforesaid, and the state of the votes as aforesaid was likewise duly recorded in said ward meeting.
The Warden thereupon caused all ballots which had been given in as aforesaid, to be secured in an envelope in said ward meeting and sealed with a seal provided for this purpose, and the Warden, Clerk, and Inspectors indorsed upon said envelope the statement and certificate required by law, all in said ward meeting.
The Warden also caused the check lists used at said election to be enclosed and sealed in an envelope in said ward meeting, and the Warden, Clerk and Inspectors certified on said envelope to the identity of the check lists so enclosed, all in the manner provided by law.
The meeting then dissolved.

A true record.
Attest: Wm. Sibley
Ward Clerk.

We the Warden, Clerk and Inspectors do hereby certify that the within is a true copy of the record of the ballots cast in Ward One, on Tuesday the second day of December 1872.

Ansel Lewis Warden — Wm. B. Sibley Clerk
Bryan Roberts, John D. Prichard, Albert B. Hughes
Inspectors

Return of Ward One

Record of Ward meeting and vote of Ward No. 2.
City of Somerville
December 7, 1872.

To any constable of the City of Somerville
Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward 2 to meet, qualified to vote as the law directs, to assemble at Temperance Hall, in Union Square on Monday, the second day of December, 1872, being the first Monday of said December, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots, for the following City and Ward Officers, namely:

(1) Warden, Clerk, and three Inspectors of Elections, to be paid for, and to be residents of said Ward.

(1) Mayor, eight Aldermen, two Aldermen being selected from each ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at large, voting in their respective wards.

(2) Four Common Councilmen for said Ward.

(1) one member of the School Committee for said Ward for three years, to be a resident of said Ward.

The polls for the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid, at 11 o'clock A.M. and close at four o'clock P.M.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot.

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this eighteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen
Charles E. Gilman, City Clerk

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex ss.
City of Somerville November 28. 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned, and notified the citizens of Ward Six in the City of Somerville qualified as the law directs according to the within warrant by posting a true copy of Warrant in not less than five public places in said Ward near the place of the meeting as prescribed in the within Warrant such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal November 28 & 30 a newspaper published in said Somerville

Attest James Mann Constable of said City of Somerville

(A true copy Attest Samuel H. Jones Clerk of Ward No 2.)

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of Ward Six qualified to vote assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed and at 4 o'clock P.M. the Warrant calling the meeting and the return thereon was read by the Warden R. P. Morrill

In the absence of Seward Dodge one of the Inspectors the polls were open for five minutes for choice of Inspector Protem.

Whole number of votes cast for Inspector Protem 12.

Seward Dodge had 6 & was elected
Geo. W. Kimball had 5.
C. A. Sanborn " 1.

All the Ward officers being present the Polls were declared open.

The result of vote as declared in open meeting was as follows.

Whole number of ballots cast was Two hundred and sixty five

For Mayor

George E. Brastow had Two hundred and sixty three
William McGrant had One.
Ira Mill had One.

Whole number of votes cast for Alderman was Two hundred & Sixty five

Hon H. Finken had Two hundred and Sixty five
Ezra D. Conant had (Two hundred)
D. F. Brown fifty one.

Ward Two

Clark Bennett had One hundred and ninety nine
Nathan Tufts had Two hundred and seven.
John C. Bolton had fifty seven
Wm Hill " Sixty five
Daniel E. Chase " One
Owen L. Minchip " One
Seward Dodge " One

Ward Three

Jacob C. Ober had Two hundred & Sixty five
Austin Belknap " Two hundred & Sixty four.

Ward Four

Christopher Haynes had Two hundred & Sixty five
Moses Davis " Two hundred & Sixty four

Whole number of votes cast for Councilmen was 264.
Owen L. Minchip had Two hundred & five and was elected.
George H. Rollins had One hundred & forty six " " Elected.
John C. Bolton had two hundred & Sixty one " " Elected.
George W. Marsland had Two hundred & Sixty two " " Elected.
Patrick Moffatt had one hundred & Seventeen
Francis Broughton had fifty eight
George H. Wyatt had one
Michael Deehan had one

Whole number of votes for a member of the School Committee for 3 years was Two hundred and sixty three
Edwin Mills had one hundred & eighty six & was elected
Thomas F. Maguire had Seventy Seven

Whole number of votes cast for Warden was Two hundred and eighty nine

Ebenezer Jackson had Two hundred & forty seven was Elected.
Thomas Cummings had Two — Joshua Eldridge had one.
John Barry had six — G. H. Willis had Three
W. H. Rimal had one.

Whole number of votes Cast for Clerk was Two hundred & Sixty four
Nathaniel W. Daniels had Two hundred & Sixty two was Elected
H. O. Mann had Two

Whole number of votes cast for Inspectors was Two hundred & Sixty five.
Wm. H. Grant had Two hundred and sixty five was Elected
H. A. Rimmon had Two hundred and sixty " " Elected
Thomas Scott had Two hundred and sixty two " " Elected.

all the Ballots given in having been selected sorted and counted the result was declared in open ward meeting, as shown all the Ballots given in with the check list were enclosed in envelopes provided for that purpose and sealed with seals and the Warden & Inspectors indorsed upon said envelopes the statement & certificate required by law all in open ward meeting
The polls were declared closed at Four o'clock P. M.

Samuel G. Dias Clerk
Robert C. Morial Warden
Seward Dodge.
Ebenezer Mann Inspectors
Wm H. Grant

Return of Ward Three

Record of meeting held in Ward Three on the second day of December A.D. 1872.

Copy of Warrant

City of Somerville.

To any Constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Two Three qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble in the Hall of the Broadway School House on Sycamore Street on Monday the second day of December, 1872, being the first Monday of said December, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their votes for the following City and Ward Officers namely

(Warden, Clerk, and Three Inspectors of Election for said Ward Three and to be presidents in said Ward)

(Mayor, Eight Aldermen two aldermen being selected from each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at large, voting in their respective Wards

Four Common Councilmen for said Ward

One member of the School Committee for said Ward for three years, to be president of said Ward)

One one member of the School Committee for said Ward for one year, to be president of said Ward and to fill the vacancy occurring in the School Committee by the resignation of the member of said Committee for said Ward elected for two years at the last election of Municipal Officers

(to be in the choice of all the general officers aforesaid will be opened and open at eleven o'clock a.m. and close at four o'clock P.M.

of the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot

You will forthwith and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon.

Witness George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville this Eighteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

By Order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E. Gilman City Clerk.

A True Copy of Warrant Attest H. G. Haines Ward Clerk.

Officers return on Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts } Middlesex ss.

City of Somerville } Nov 23. 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward No 3 in the City of Somerville qualified to vote as the law directs according to the within Warrant by posting a true copy of said warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward near the place of said meeting as specified in the within warrant: such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said Warrant: also by causing said notice to be published in the Somerville Journal Nov 23 & 30, 1872, a newspaper published in said Somerville

Attest Hiram Manne Constable of said City of Somerville

A True Copy of Officers return Attest H. G. Haines Ward Clerk.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the citizens of Ward Number Three qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place for the purposes therein expressed

The warrant calling the meeting, and the officers return was thereupon read by the Warden, who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward, qualified by law to vote, to give in their votes by ballot for the purposes expressed in said Warrant

at four o'clock P.M. the polls were closed, and the whole number of ballots given in having been received sorted and counted in open ward meeting by the Warden and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law the result was as follows, namely

For Mayor

George O Bradlow had one hundred and seventeen
John R Poor had one

Aldermen Ward One

Wm H Fuller had one hundred and sixteen
Cyrus D Barrant had twenty six
J A Barne had twenty one
M Stanley had one

Ward Two

Clark Brunelle had eighty six
Nathaniel Tufts had twenty two
John T Bolton had twenty nine
Wm Ely had twenty two
James O Shute had one
Quincy A Arriel had one
Thos Cunningham had one

Ward Three

Jacob J Gines had one hundred and seventeen
Austin F Bishop had one hundred and ten
Clement French had one
Cutler Dowser had four
John H Poor had two
Oliver Tufts had one
A Kennistin had one

Ward Four

Christopher B Raymond had one hundred and eighteen
Benson Davis had one hundred and sixteen
Silas H Holland had three

For Common Councilmen

Stephen H Fuller had one hundred and one was elected
Wm H Hodgkins had one hundred and twelve " " elected
Henry T Woods had one hundred and five " " elected

Walter S. Barnes had Seventy one and was elected
Warren Pollard had Forty four
Stewart French had Eighteen
Otis Bacon had One
A. Kennison had Three
Isaac Kendall had One
John W. Poor had One
Samuel Littlefield had One
Benjamin Fish had One
Scattering One

For School Committee
Three Years
Reuben Mills had one hundred & Eighteen & was elected.
One Year
Samuel W. Pinnock had One hundred & eighteen & was elected.

For Warden
Warren W. Pinnock had One hundred and eighteen & was elected

For Clerk
Eli A. Smith had one hundred & eighteen & was elected.

For Inspectors
John W. Conant had One hundred and eighteen
James R. Hopkins had One hundred and eighteen
Charles E. Gilman had One hundred and eighteen

Public declaration was thereupon made in open Ward meeting by the Warden, of the state of the ballots, as sorted and counted as aforesaid, and the state of the ballots as aforesaid was likewise duly recorded in open ward meeting. The Warden thereupon caused all ballots which had been given in as aforesaid, to be secured in an envelope in open Ward meeting and sealed with a seal provided for the purpose, and the Warden, Clerk and Inspectors indorsed upon said envelope the statement and certificate, required by law all in open Ward meeting. The Warden also caused the check list to be

all paid ballots to be enclosed and sealed in an envelope in open Ward meeting and the Warden, Clerk and Inspectors certified on the envelope to the identity of the check list to be enclosed all in the manner provided by law

True record

Samuel M. Pennock Warden

Forest G. Harris Ward Clerk

The meeting then dissolved.

Somerville December 2. 1872

Return of Ward Four.

City of Somerville

To any constable of the City of Somerville

Greeting

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to warn the citizens of Ward Four qualified to vote as the law directs to assemble in the Hall of the Moore School Building on Summer Street on Monday, the second day of December, 1872 - being the first Monday of said December, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and from that time until four o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to give in their ballots for the following City and Ward Officers namely

One Warden, Clerk, and Three Inspectors of Elections for said Ward four and to be residents in said Ward

One Mayor, eight Aldermen, two Aldermen being selected from each Ward, to be elected by the qualified voters of the City at large, voting in their respective wards

Four Common Councilmen for said Ward

One member of the School Committee for said Ward for three years to be a resident of said Ward

The polls for the choice of all the municipal officers aforesaid will be opened as aforesaid at eleven o'clock A.M. and close at four o'clock P.M.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon

Witness, George O. Brastow, Mayor of our said City of Somerville, on this eighteenth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy four.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen

Charles E. Gleason, City Clerk

Return of Warrant

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

City of Somerville, November 23. 1872.

This is to certify that I have warned and notified the citizens of Ward number four (4) in the City of Somerville, qualified as the law directs, according to the within warrant, by posting a true copy of warrant in not less than four public places in said Ward near the place of the meeting, as specified in the within warrant, such copies having been posted by me as aforesaid seven days at least before the time of holding the meeting specified in said warrant, and by causing said warrant to be published in the Somerville Journal November 23. and November 30. A.D. 1872. a newspaper published in said City of Somerville.

Oliver Jones, Jr. Constable of Somerville

I hereby certify that the warrant calling the meeting and the officers return thereon are true copies

George P. Pratt

Clerk

Somerville Municipal Election

Ward Four. December 9. 1872.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Ward Number Four qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at this time and place above mentioned and for the purposes therein expressed

At Eleven (11) o'clock A.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by the Warden, who then called upon the inhabitants of said Ward qualified by law to vote, to give in their ballots for the purposes expressed in said warrant.

At Four (4) o'clock P.M. the polls were closed, and the whole number of ballots given in, having been sorted & counted by the Warden and Inspectors of Elections in the manner provided by law the result was as follows.

For Mayor

George O. Brastow had ninety nine votes

For Alderman

Ward
1 William H. Fuller had ninety seven votes
1 Ezra D. Conant had ninety eight "
2 Clark Bennett had ninety three "
3 Walter Tufts had ninety nine "
3 Jacob T. Rines had ninety seven "
3 Preston Belknap had ninety six "
4 Brown Davis had ninety six "
4 Christopher B. Symes had ninety eight "
2 George S. Mullins had One
3 John R. Pope had One
1 Edward Purcell had One
1 William Cammon had One
2 Thomas Cammon had One
2 John W. Brine had Two
3 Oliver Tufts had Two
3 John De Sault had One
4 D. H. Libby had One

For Common Councilmen

Thomas H. Lord had Ninety eight votes & was elected.
Wolcy C. Crane had Eighty eight " " " elected.
Wm Hamilton Morrison had Ninety five " & " elected.
George W. Pratt had Ninety six " & " elected.
George A. Allison had Eight "
Sam'l Russell had One "
James B. David had One "
John D. Hills had One "
John H. Burns had One "

School Committee for Three Years

Russell H. Cornwell had Ninety seven & was Elected.
C. H. Smith had One.

For Warden

Selden Stetson had Ninety eight votes & was Elected.

For Clerk

George W. Pratt had Ninety eight votes & was Elected

For Inspectors

John H. Brookhouse had Seventy four votes & was Elected.
George A. Allison had Ninety seven votes & " elected.
James B. David had Seventy six " & " elected.
Malcolm Pinkney had Twenty three "
Maurice Terry had Twenty one "
John Reed had One "
Oliver Robinson had One "

The state of the ballots, as polled, counted, and recorded as above in open Ward meeting, was declared to the meeting by the Warden who thereupon caused all the ballots given in and check list used at said election to be secured enclosed and sealed in envelopes in open Ward meeting and certified to by the Warden, Clerk and Inspectors in the manner provided by law. The meeting then dissolved

Selden Stetson Warden.
George H. Pratt Clerk.
George A. Allison James B. David Inspectors of Elections

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen

(December 9. 1872)

Mayor presiding

Aldermen Hall, Mashon, Davis, Seal, Fisher, Chase, Ohnes and Bonnell present.

Record of last meeting was approved

Order from Common Council

In Common Council December 4. 1872.

Ordered

That the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to pay one hundred dollars for damages received by Edward Burke on account of an alleged defect in the highway on the corner of Summer and Cedar Streets, and no permanent repair claim of said Burke on account thereof said sum when paid to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

In Common Council December 4. 1872.

Order adopted and sent up for concurrence

In Board of Aldermen December 9. 1872. Concurred in

Claim Edwd. Burke Summer St. referred

Petition of James Cole for abatement of nuisance corner of Union Place and Linwood Street was referred to the Committee on Health and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

Nuisance Linwood St. referred

Report of Committee on Highways

In Board of Aldermen December 9 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Charles H. Reid and others for the laying out of that portion of Pearl Street between Pinckney and Mount Vernon Streets, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, provided the City shall be subjected to no claim for land damages

That accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

Pearl Street laying out report

Report of Committee on Fire Department — Dec. 9. 1872

In Board of Aldermen Dec. 9. 1872.
The communication from Chief Engineer Hopkins, calling the attention of the City Government to certain improvements required, and for the better equipment of the Fire Department, referred to the Committee on that Department.
Respectfully report, that in our opinion the suggestions and recommendations contained therein, are of the greatest importance to the City. We therefore recommend that the Municipal Fire alarm be introduced. A Steam Fire Engine and a Hook and Ladder Truck be purchased and added to the Fire Department as soon as the City Council shall deem it expedient and for the best interest of the City.
Report accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 11. Concurred in

Fire Dept report of committee on communication of Ch. Engineer

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of H. N. Bishop and others for a sidewalk in Broadway recommend that the petitioners be granted
Report accepted, added and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 11. Concurred in

Broadway sidewalks report

Report of the Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways recommend that regulators be set and sidewalks paved with brick on that part of Pearl Street between Franklin and Pros Streets as prayed for in a petition of Charles H. Guild and others upon which petition this Committee have already reported in favor.
Report accepted, added and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 11. Concurred in

Pearl Street sidewalks report

Report of Committee on Highways
The Committee on Highways to whom was referred an order of the City Council in regard to defining the lines of Prospect Street and Webster Avenue report that the obstructions on said map are not of a nature to interfere with public travel or convenience

Prospect Street Webster Avenue lines report

December 9, 1872.

and therefore that no action is necessary at the present time in regard to the same

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

Alderman Pope offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen December 9 1872.

Ordered

That the Committee on Highways be and they are hereby instructed to take all necessary steps for the laying out of that portion of Pearl Street between Pinckney and Mount Vernon Streets in accordance with their report; said street to be fifty feet wide

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

Pearl Street laying out order

Alderman Chase offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen December 9 1872.

Ordered

That the Committee on Fire department be authorized and empowered to sell the John E Hood Hose Carriage

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

John E. Hood Hose Carriage order to sell

Alderman Chase offered the following Order.

In Board of Aldermen December 9 1872.

Ordered

That the Committee on Fire Department be authorized and instructed to purchase a suitable horse for that Department

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

Fire Dept order to purchase horse

The report of Dr Hornaday in reference to vaccination was sent to the Council for information

Health report of Dr. Hornaday

December 9, 1872.

Alderman Bennett offered the following Order
In Board of Aldermen December 9, 1872.
Ordered
That the Committee on Public Property be and hereby are authorized to dispose of the City Desk and safe now in the custody of Thomas Cunningham, late Town Treasurer in such manner as they shall deem ~~expedient~~ compatable with the interest of the City
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 11. Concurred in

Public Property
City Desk &c
order to sell

The Mayor read the report of the Harbor Commissioners and State Board of Health in reference to the abatement of the nuisance in Millers River
On Motion of Alderman Bennett the report was referred to the Mayor with power to confer with the City Government of Cambridge in reference to providing the same

Millers River
report

Alderman Fisher offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen December 9, 1872.
Ordered
That the Mayor be requested to draw his warrant on the Treasurer for the sum of twenty one hundred and eighty six and 50/100 dollars in favor of the Chairman of the joint commission appointed by the legislature to consider the subject of abating the nuisance existing in Millers River said sum to be charged to Miscellaneous account
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council December 11 Concurred in

Millers River
order on
Treasurer

Report of Committee on Sewers.
On the petition of C B Buckingham and others for a sewer in Beacon Street your Committee recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw also on the petition of G W Wyatt and others for a sewer in Garden Street we recommend leave to withdraw

Beacon Street
sewer
report

December 9, 1872.

The Board of Aldermen Report accepted & adopted

Report of Committee on Sewers

Your Committee to whom was referred the applications for abatements of sewer assessments respectfully recommend that an abatement of $26.[illegible] dollars be made to Frederick Slade on sewer assessment laid on Franklin Street Sewer. On the application of Roberts Brothers, Benjamin Hadley, William Long, and James Gallery we recommend leave to withdraw

Franklin Street sewer abatements report

The Board of Aldermen Report accepted & adopted

Report of Committee on Sewers — Walnut Street

Your Committee respectfully report that they have constructed a brick sewer in Walnut Street a distance of 1062 feet — Costing _____ $2,110.30

herewith is presented an assessment list and Warrant — and your Committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith

Walnut Street sewer report assessment and order

Report accepted adopted and the assessment list certified

Assessment list for construction of Sewer in Walnut Street.

Owners of estates benefited	No. of feet	No. of feet of land	Valuation	Rate per cent	Amount of assessment
Robert Sanborn E. Side	511	51100	25550.00	1 9/100	556.73
Henry Plummer	210	21000	10500.00	" "	204.75
Allen P. Bradshaw	105	10500	5250.00	" "	102.40
G. W. Simpson W	110	11000	5500.00	" "	107.25
Mrs G. Sower	141	14100	7050.00	" "	137.48
N. A. Arnold	121	12100	6050.00	" "	117.98
Ferdinand Goldsmith	448	44800	2240.00	" "	43.68
			85800.00		1663.39

For Warrant see assessment list filed in Treasurer's office

December 9, 1872.

Alderman Gomes offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen December 9, 1872.

Ordered that the cost of constructing the Common Sewer within referred to, amounting to $2110.30, and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely, $446.91 to be paid by the city, there remaining $1663.39 to be assessed upon persons benefited. The persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums thereunder set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued.

The order was adopted.

Report of Committee on Sewers

In Board of Aldermen December 9, 1872 — Myrtle Street — Myrtle Street sewer report assessment and order

Your Committee respectfully report that they have constructed a sewer in Myrtle Street a distance of eight hundred and twenty nine feet (829) $1,912.85/100

Herewith is presented an assessment list and Warrant and your Committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith

Report accepted and adopted, the assessment list certified

Assessment List for constructing a sewer in Myrtle Street:

Owners of estates benefited		No. of feet of land	Valuation	Rate per M. of Assessment	Assessment
Amos Hayden	east side	375	37.500	15.000.00	2 60/100	390.00
Jothiam Baker	" "	18½	1.020	510.00	" "	13.26
John Keeling	" "	31	2.550	892.50	" "	23.21
James Collins	" "	20	1.100	550.00	" "	14.30
Patrick Murphy	" "	49	4.900	1.960.00	" "	50.96
Mrs Hannah H. Stearns	" "	70	7.000	2.800.00	" "	72.80
Mrs Charles L. Stearns	" "	70	5.000	2.150.00	" "	55.90

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Owners of Lots & Estates benefited		No. of feet to be taxed	Valuation	Rate per ¢ Assessment	Assessment
Francis A. Richardson	East side 27	27.00	1080.00	2 6/100	28 08
Mrs Charlotte Stevens	" " 27	27.00	1080.00		28 08
Wm F. Brown	" " 50	50.00	2000.00		52 00
J. A. Wright	West side 25	22.50	900.00		23 40
Charles H. Berry	" " 57	50.16	2006.40		52 17
George Christie	" " 57	50.16	2006.40		52 17
Mordecai Merrill	" " 111	96.50	2895.00		75 27
Otis S. Ruggles	" " 120	120.00	4224.00		109 82
Daniel Sullivan	" " 20	12.00	600.00		15 60
Matthew Bailey	" " 20	12.00	600.00		15 60
James Gallagher	" " 50	50.00	2000.00		52 00
Eugene Gleason	" " 25	25.00	1000.00		26 00
John Lance	" " 25	22.50	900.00		23 40
J. A. Wright	" " 50	40.00	1800.00		46 80
Wm H. Bradford	" " 175	175.00	7000.00		182 00
			53954.30		1402 82

The warrant for assessment list on file in Treasurer's office.

Alderman Stevens offered the following order

Ordered that the cost of constructing the Commercial Sewer, within referred to, amounting to $1,912.82 and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely, $510.09 to be paid by the City, thus remaining $1,402.82 to be assessed upon persons benefited, the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be addressed & issued

Order adopted

Report of Committee on Sewers.

Pearl Street

Messrs Committee report that they have constructed a sewer in Pearl Street a distance of 493 feet, costing $1,908.

December 9, 1872.

Herewith is presented an assessment list and Warrant and your committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith.

Report was accepted adopted and the assessment list certified

Assessment list for construction of Sewer in Pearl Street.

Pearl Street sewer report assessment & order

Owners of estates benefited		Number of feet front	No. of feet of land	Valuation	Rate per M. to be assessed	Assessment
Chas. Gillespie	Northside	50	3400	1360.00	4%	54.40
N. P. Daniels		50	3400	1360.00		54.40
Thomas Preston		50	3650	1460.00		58.40
J. H. Dix		50	3650	1460.00		58.40
J. L. Barnard		50	3700	1480.00		59.20
J. L. Barnard		46	3404	1361.60		54.45
J. P. Barnard		45	3375	1350.00		54.00
C. F. Fitzpatrick		50	5000	1750.00		70.00
Benj. Hadley		30	3000	1050.00		42.00
Benj. Hadley		375	10500	6300.00		252.00
Charles Tufts		375	24375	6337.50		253.50

The warrant for assessment list filed in Treasurers office

Alderman Daines offered the following order

Ordered that the cost of constructing the Common Sewer, within mentioned, amounting to $1904.00 and after deducting the proportion thereof, namely $797.20 to be paid by the city, there remaining $1106.70 dollars to be assessed upon persons benefited the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportionate part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued

The Order was adopted

Report of Committee on Sewers

Moreland Street

Your Committee report that they have constructed a sewer in Moreland Street a distance of Three hundred and ninety feet (costing) $718, 25/100 dollars
Herewith is presented assessment list and warrant, and your Committee recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith
The report was accepted adopted and the assessment list certified

Assessment List for Construction of Sewer in Moreland Street

Moreland Street sewer report assessment order

Owners of estates benefited		Frontage	No feet of land	Valuation	Rate per M assessment	Assessment
Joseph Hale	West side	51	4080	1224.00	3 80/100	46 51
H E Woodworth	" "	62	4960	1984.00	. .	75 39
H E Woodworth	"	65	5200	2080.00		79 04
John Fenton	" "	58	4440	1776.00		67 49
Thomas Whitcomb	East side	134	18400	4948.00		188 02
H C Lockman	" "	50	4500	1350.00		51 30
				13362.00		507 75

For Warrant see assessment list filed in City Treasurers office

Alderman Gaines offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen December 9. 1872.
Ordered, That the cost of constructing the common sewer within prefixed & amounting to $718, 25, and after deducting the proportion thereof namely 210 50/100 dollars to be paid by the City, there remaining $507. 75/100 to be assessed upon persons benefited, the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant be within

December 9, 1872.

Sewers hearing for abatements in

stand be adopted and vote was the order was adopted

New Hanover
Walnut
Moreland
Snyder Rd
Pearl street

Alderman Glines offered the following order
Ordered That the evening of Monday December 23 at — 8 o'clock, and the Mayor and Aldermen, now in the City Hall, be assigned as the time and place for the hearing of applications for abatement of assessments laid to defray in part the cost of constructing sewers in New Hanover Walnut Moreland Myrtle and Pearl Streets
On Board of Aldermen Order adopted —

Dec 9 —
On motion of Alderman Bennett the minutes of the Municipal Election from the Clerk of the several wards was referred to the Committee on Elections with Mr Fisher added

Report of Committee

Elections report of committee

The Committee reported that they had examined and compared the transcripts of the records of the elections in the several wards returned to the City Clerk and report that the Hon. George O Brastow received a majority of the votes cast for Mayor.
William H. Fisher & B D Garland from Ward One
Clark Bennett and Nathan Tufts from Ward Two
Joseph T Glines and Austin Bellows from Ward Three
Simon Davis, and Christopher B Wynne, from Ward Four
received a majority of the votes cast for Aldermen
and Francis G. Hope Edward, W. Curtis, Clement G Hunt and John Lewis of Ward One
Owen P Murphy, George P Fielding, John T Bolton and George W Maynard of Ward Two
Stephen M Pillsbury, Wm H Hodgkins, Henry T Woods, and Walter S Barnes of Ward Three
Thomas H Lord, Wesley B Crane Nathaniel Morrison and George D Pratt of Ward Four received a majority of the votes cast for Councilmen from said Wards

December 9, 1872.

Members of the School Committee for Ward One
Shepard P. Woodcock for the term of Three years
Stanford Manoccomb for the term of Two years
Member of the School Committee for Ward Two
Edwin Mills for the term of Three years
Member of the School Committee for Ward Three
Newton Willis for the term of three years
Samuel H. Bennock for the term of one year
Member of the School Committee for Ward Four
Russell H. Connell for the term of three years
received a majority of the votes cast for members of the School Committee
No appointment was made

Adjourned
Charles E. Gilman Clerk

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
December 16. 1872.

Mayor presiding.
Aldermen Hall, Davis, Pew, Reuben Chase
Chase and Bennett present.
Record of last meeting approved
Order from the Council December 11. 1872
Ordered that the City Engineer be instructed to define the lines of Beacon Street so as to make said street 66 feet wide in accordance with the plan introduced before, and the ability be notified to vacate the land without encumbrances within such time as the City ~~Government~~ Council may think best, provided the work of defining said street be referred to the Committee on Highways & Sewerage for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen December 16. Concurred in

Beacon street order to define lines

The Communications of Drs Stanwood, Dos, Chapin and Willis in reference to vaccination was accepted and sent to the Council for information

Health Vaccination reports

December 16, 1872.

Alderman Clarke offered the following order:

In Board of Aldermen December 16, 1872

Ordered:

That the persons named in the report of the Committee on Elections from this to this Board on the ninth day of the present December and recorded with the records of this Board on page 553, be and they hereby are declared elected to the several offices as stated in said report and that the City Clerk be instructed to notify the said persons in writing of their election to their respective offices and that the Hall in the High School Building on Highland Avenue is appointed as the place for their meeting on the first Monday of January next at 10 o'clock A.M. for organization as required by the City Charter

In Board of Aldermen Ordered Adopted

Elections declaration of

The communication of the Harbor Commissioners of date December 11, 1872, in reference to the petition of Ruth Merriam and Company to said Commissioners for leave to build a pile pier in tide water in the City of Somerville at Mill River Lower Basin and asking thereupon to be heard December 18, 1872, was referred to the City Solicitor with the same,

Skillen & Ruth Merriam & order for hearing

The report of Melville C. Parkhurst Agent of the Board of Health was accepted, the action ratified and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Concurred in

Health report of agent

The petition of Franklin H. Phillips and others that a sewer stone be set and a brick sidewalk laid on the Northerly side of Forest Street was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Forest street sidewalks referred

The petition of George H. Dickinson and others that the old portion of Highland Avenue may be altered and widened to sixty feet was referred to the Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Dec 18 Concurred in

Highland Ave widening referred

Report of Committee on Highways Dec. 16, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred a Report of Committee in regard to Washington Street Bridge, recommend that the said Bridge be widened, it be made the full width of said street — 60 feet, and that the Mayor and City Solicitor be a committee to obtain from the Stirling Vale Road Company a statement as to what portion of the expense of said widening will be assumed by the Company — Washington St Bridge report

Accepted adopted sent down for concurrence. Concurred in

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Wm Ellis for the repair of Dane Street report that measures have been taken by the Superintendent of streets to put the Street in proper condition. Report accepted adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council. Concurred in — Dane St report

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Robert S. Rhem and others for the acceptance of Berkeley Street, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, provided the City shall not be subjected to either land or grade damages and the street be made forty feet in width.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence. Concurred in — Berkeley St acceptance report

Report of Committee on Highways Elm Street

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Timothy Childs and others for repairs on Elm Street report that such repairs as may be deemed practicable will be made from time to time; but that until a common sewer shall be constructed in said Street, any, with a view to permanent construction will be impracticable

Alderman Cain moved to amend the report by instructing the Committee to go on and thoroughly repair the street as soon as practicable. The amendment was adopted. The report as amended was adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council December 18. Concurred in — Elm St repairs report

Report of Committee on Highways Dec. 16, 1872.

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Mr Bennard & others for the laying out of Greenville and Boston Streets report that said Boston Street shall be laid out its entire length is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners; and we recommend that they have leave to withdraw. Accepted adopted and sent down for Concurrence. Concurred in. — Greenville & Boston Streets laying out of report

Report of Committee on Highways.

The Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Mr O'Neil and others for the laying out of Boston Street, report that it is inexpedient to lay out said way, the street not being in an acceptable condition, and the petitioners not being agreed to the width of the street, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw — and the Committee would recommend that as a portion of said street is in a very dangerous condition, that said portion be closed by the City against public travel.

Accepted and adopted and sent down for Concurrence. Concurred in. — Boston St laying out of report

Alderman Hall offered the following order

Ordered that the committee on public property be authorized to purchase the stores in the aldermen room at a cost of $37.50 at the request of the Superintendent of schools and that the same be charged to the School appropriation.

Order adopted sent down for Concurrence. Concurred in. — Public Property order to purchase stoves

Communication was received from the Superintendent of Schools in reference to the return of pupils to our schools from infected dwellings.

Alderman Shelton offered the following order.

Ordered that pupil scholars attending the public schools in this City who may reside or may hereafter reside in a dwelling where there should be small pox, shall be prevented from entering any of our public schools, the three weeks from and after the recovery of the person afflicted with either of the above diseases and after a similar interval shall elapse after the dwelling — Schools — Pupils from infected dwellings Order

December 16, 1872.

which such sickness has spoiled has been fumigated
And the Superintendent of the Public Schools be and is
hereby authorized and instructed to enforce this order
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned.
James E. Gilman Clerk.

Meeting with Mayor and Aldermen
December 18. 1872.
Mayor presiding
Aldermen Hall, Jenkins, Davis, Pew, Tenney, Chase,
and Tewksbury present
Journal of last meeting approved.

On motion of Alderman Tenney the rule requiring
in writing the order of business was suspended.

Immediately with an order passed December 9 1872.
a hearing was held in reference to assessments on land
for the construction of Sewer in Mystic
Street, Morland, Malvern and Mt. Vernon Streets
all parties having been heard in the matter the hearing
was closed.

On motion of Alderman Davis the claims of the various
persons for abatement of sewer assessments were referred to the
Committee on Sewers.

The communication of Charles Barrett in reference
to the road Stairs on the eastern terrace of Washington and
Prospect Streets was referred to the Committee on Public
ways and Prospect street be concurred in
In Common Council December 23 Concurred.

Lawrence
Aspinwall, Parker
Moreland, Malvern
and Florence Sts
hearing on
abatements

Sewers
abatements
referred

Washington Co
Prospect street
Mr. Barrett's petition
referred

Petition of James Gallety in reference to sewer assessment
was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petitions
J. Gallety
referred

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The report of Dr White on vaccination was received and sent down to the Council for information.

— Health report of Dr White

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petitions of Mr Mullett and others and Mr Bingham and others for the laying out of School Street, recommend that the portion of the street between Broadway and Highland Avenue be laid out to the width of fifty feet, and that the petitioners be assessed the land or yard damages right-of-way may be awarded to Isaac Hindalls, the ruling abutting property owners against the widening of the street and also that at the time of constructing the street, edge stones be set on the southeasterly side of said street from Broadway to Medford Street.

On motion of Alderman Rice the report was laid on the table.

School Street laying out report

The application of Charles J. Meisher, James O'Grieb, Jane Mizy and Mandale M. Irving for stale cider was granted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 23. Concurred.

Licenses granted to Meisher, Grieb, Mizy & Irving

Report of Joint Special Committee

In Board of Aldermen December 23. 1872.

The Joint Special Committee in accordance with an order passed November 26th instructing them to procure plans and specifications for a suitable building to be erected on the corner of Prospect and Mill Streets in Ward Two, beg leave to report by presenting plans and specifications as required in said order.

Report accepted and the plans and specifications referred to the next City Government and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 23. 1872 - Concurred.

Fire Dept and Police Building report

Report of Committee on Sewers Dec. 23, 1872.

Your Committee respectfully report that they have con-structed a Sewer in Mount Vernon Street a distance of 219 feet — Costing $459.90

Sewer Mt Vernon St report and order

Your Committee further report that they have taken up and repaired a portion of Oak Street Sewer at an expense of $76.00 Whereupon is presented assessment bills and warrants and we recommend that the same be certified and placed in the hands of the Treasurer for collection in accordance therewith

Report accepted and bill certified

Assessment bill for construction of sewer in Mt Vernon Street

Owners & estates benefited	Number feet of front	Valuations	Rate per cent. Assessment	Assessments
A Plaisted — roadside	50	2764	2%	46 98
Francis McBrown Wife "	50	4500	"	55 25
Thomas Parrot " "	50	4000	"	52 00
John N. Atkins " "	25	1750	"	26 25
Ebenezer Atkins " "	25	1750	"	26 25
		$20952		207 73

The warrant see assessment filed in the Treasurers office

Alderman Bates offered the following order.

In Board of Aldermen December 23. 1872.

Ordered, that for cost of constructing the common sewer, within referred to, amounting to $459.90 four dollars and after deducting the proportion therefrom, namely $252.17 two dollars to be paid by the City, there remaining $207.73 two dollars to be assessed upon property benefited, the persons named in the within schedule being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and passed

In Board of Aldermen Order adopted.

Assessment Roll for the abutters on Mount Vernon Street and

City of Somerville

Know all men by these Presents that we, the undersigned, being abutters on that part of Mount Vernon Street in Somerville in the County of Middlesex which extends from Washington Street to the line of the estate of Pitkin Bailey, do hereby for ourselves agree with the City of Somerville that the said City by its proper officers may lay, make and maintain a main drain or common sewer through the aforesaid part of said Mount Vernon Street, and that in said City shall have the same rights and powers, as to laying, making, maintaining and repairing said drain or sewer and as to the ownership thereof, and as to the assessment of the expense thereof, as if the lands necessary for such drain or sewer had been taken for the said purpose by the rules of the Statutes in such cases provided, or as if said sewer had been laid in a public and accepted street of said City, and we hereby acknowledge notice of the proposed laying of said sewer. Witness our hands and common seal this [illegible] day of November A.D. 1872. Thomas J. Bissell, Jennie M. Barrett, George M. Weber, Solomon Hopkins, John N. Atkins, Alfred Taylor, Laurial Margaret McAlister

Sewer assessment — to defray in part the cost of repairing a common sewer in the City of Somerville in Oak Street

Sewer Oak Street report Assessment and order

Owners of estates bounded		Number feet front	Value of land	Value of buildings	Assessment	
Michael Merritt	north side	70	7000	2100.00	22/100	462
H J Richards		85	8500	2550.00	"	561
Samuel E Brown		90	9000	2700.00	"	594
Nicholas Geller			9500	2850.00	"	627
Benj F Litton		45	4500	1350.00	"	297
E H Marshall		120	12000	3600.00	"	792
Peter Minnich		90	9000	2700.00	"	594
James Dillaway		45	4500	1350.00	"	297
James Brannigan	south side	96	9600	2880.00	"	634
Bogard		21	1630	489.00	"	108
D H Langley		17	1326	397.50	"	88

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Owners of estates benefitted	rate per rod	Number of rods	Valuation of benefit	Rate per rod Assessment	Assessment
A. Wiebolt	18	1326	397.80	0.13 1/100	58
Mrs Fannie Todd	18	1400	420.00	"	92
Charles Wheeler	18	1400	420.00	"	92
James R. White	17	1326	397.80	"	58
Mr McHugh	17	1326	397.80	"	58
Mrs Margaret Lewis	18	1752	525.60	"	92
Mrs Hannah Knapp	22	3840	1152.00	"	2.52
Thomas Heffernan	27	4400	1320.00	"	2.90
			5797.80		63.57

For Warrant see assessment list filed in Treasurer's office

Alderman Gines offered the following order

In Board of Aldermen December 23. 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of repairing the common sewer within referred to, amounting to $75.00, and that deducting the proportion thereof namely, $11.43, to be paid by the City, there remaining $63.57 to be assessed upon persons benefited, the persons named in the within schedule, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the persons aforesaid, their tenants or lessees, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued

In Board of Aldermen Order adopted

Report of the Committee on Highways
City of Somerville

Schedule of assessments made by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in pursuance of the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth upon the estates benefitted by the laying out and grading as a public street or way of said Somerville of Prescott Street so called with Warrant and Order Report accepted assessment list certified Order adopted sent down for concurrence

In Common Council December 23 Concurred in

Prescott St laying out report assessment list warrant and order

December 23, 1872.

Estates	Location or Street	Number of Square, etc.	Price per Square	Valuation	Dwelling and Lot	Assessment
South Eastern side running from Sumner Street						
Sid Manoux						
present name Thomas H. Tinsley	Lot South from Plank Road to Alley of City Block	5000	30¢	1500.00	150.00	90.50
Job Manoux present						
name Thomas H. Tinsley	68	5000	28¢	1400.00	150.00	65.50
Job Manoux	67	5000	26¢	1300.00	150.00	61.10
Alfred Elwood	66	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Alfred Elwood	65	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Hannah Nash	64	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
Hannah Nash	63	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
John H. Elwood	62	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
John H. Elwood	61	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
Elijah Walker						
present name Thomas	60	5000	18¢	900.00	108.00	42.30
Hannah Nash	59	5000	18¢	900.00	108.00	42.30
John B. Johnson present-						
name Thomas Bentley	58	6300	22¢	1386.00	177.52	70.31
John B. Johnson present						
name A. P. Kennedy	57	4200	20¢	840.00	84.48	37.09
Gideon Bolt						
or Sarah Bolt	56	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
Joseph Heisney	55	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
William J. Nichols	54	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Sarah B. Doherty	53	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
James Garrison or						
James H. Garrison	52	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Sarah Bailey for						
Shelby Bailey	51	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Shelby F. Barlow	6	5800	30¢	1740.00	208.80	81.75
North Westerly side running from Sumner Street						
George W. Gilchrist	33	5800	30¢	1740.00	208.80	81.75
present name Mrs. Hilden	34	5000	25¢	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Charles Green	35	5000	22¢	1100.00	132.00	51.70
Charles B. Bushick	36	5000	20¢	1000.00	120.00	47.00

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Estates	Location and Street	Number Frontage &c.	Rate per cent	Valuation	Assessments each owner	Betterments Amount
Charles E Lyon present owner Benjamin Bird	Part of 5 Joel Hancy's Reserve Lot	33.20	18	600.00	72.00	28.20
Charles E Lyon present owner E T S Boardman	37-38	3.320	18	600.00	72.00	28.20
Charles E Lyon present owner H. B. Keeler	38	3.300	18	600.00	72.00	28.20
Benjamin Hadley present owner Charles H Brackett	Lot No 39	5000	18	900.00	108.00	42.20
James H Berry present owner James Bonner	40	5000	18	900.00	108.00	42.20
Hannah Clark	41		15	750.00	90.00	35.20
Hannah Clark	42	5000	15	750.00	90.00	35.20
John T S Johnson	43	5000	15	750.00	90.00	35.20
John T S Johnson	44	5000	16	800.00	96.00	37.60
Joel Manson present owner Lucinda Jacobs	45	5000	18	900.00	108.00	42.20
Charles Warren et						
Charles R. Brown	46	5000	20	1000.00	120.00	47.00
Benjamin O Rand present owner Charles A Thayer	47	5000	22	1100.00	132.00	51.70
Edward C Cole present owner George A Jackson	48	5000	25	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Orlando Pines	49	5000	25	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Orlando Pines	50	5000	25	1250.00	150.00	58.75
Henry Parker present owner Barnet E Barton	51 7	4000	30	1.200.00	142.00	55.40
Henry Parker present owner David Averill		3150	30	945.00	112.40	44.41
Betterments 12 Jan.				44.675.00		2099.72
Betterments 24 Feb	other valuation					

See Warrant for assessment list on file in Treasurers Office

City of Somerville Dec. 23, 1872.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen December 23. 1872
Whereas within four years prior to the date of this order to wit on May 28. 1871
Bonair Street so called, in this city, was duly laid out as a public street or way of said Somerville, and has been thus laid out and graded at an expense of three thousand one hundred and twenty three and 79/100 dollars;
and whereas in the opinion of this Board the real estate named in the foregoing schedule has received benefit and advantage therefrom beyond the general advantage to all real estate in said Somerville, filing therein Therefore Ordered and resolved that this Board does hereby adjudge and determine the value of such benefit and advantage to the respective estates referred to and named in the foregoing schedule (said estates being all the estates thus benefited) to be the amounts in said schedule severally named, and set against such estates, and that this Board does hereby assess upon the said estates respectively as a proportional share of the expense of laying out and grading said Bonair Street, the sums set against said estates severally and that the Estates named in the foregoing schedule be and they hereby are respectively charged with and assessed the sums therein severally named against them, the said sums and assessments not exceeding one half the amount of the adjudged benefit and advantage to said estates; and the work of laying out and grading the said street being completed, and the same are certified as within stated, and it is further hereby ordered that the warrant to notify hereinafter be adopted and issued

Attest Charles E Gilman City Clerk –

Report of Committee on Highways
Bonair Street
City of Somerville

Bonair Street laying out reports Betterment list and order

Schedule of assessments made by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen in pursuance of the provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth upon the estates benefited by the laying out and grading as a public street or way of said Somerville of Bonair Street so called

December 23, 1872.

Estates	Location on Street	Number of Square feet	Price per foot	Valuation	Assessment each owner	Betterments assessed
	Southerly side running from Walnut Street —					
Rufus H. Fullen	Corner of Walnut & Bowdoin Streets	16.600	25¢	4150.00	249.00	92.25
Samuel A. Porter	Higgleborth Street	7750	25¢	1937.50	116.25	43.09
David Greenwood		5750	20¢	1150.00	69.00	25.58
John Donovan, present owner Francis H. Hastings	1st Lot westerly from Higgleborth Street	2.000	20¢	400.00	24.00	9.00
Thomas Davis, present owner John Kendall	3rd Lot westerly from Higgleborth Street	7750	20¢	1550.00	93.00	34.58
Thomas T. Bartlett	4th	3875	20¢	775.00	46.50	17.46
Thomas Davis	5th	3875	20¢	775.00	46.50	17.45
George L. Lincoln	Corner of Dana Street	5423	20¢	1.085.00	65.10	24.44
James Tuggs		15.000	20¢	3.000.00	180.00	67.50
Edward A. Foster	2nd Lot westerly from Dana Street	5580	20¢	1.116.00	66.96	25.11
George A. Foster	3rd	16.200	20¢	3.240.00	194.40	72.90
Martin Gill	4th	5400	20¢	1.080.00	64.80	24.30
Martin Gill	5th	5400	20¢	1.080.00	64.80	24.30
Abel Bond	6th	3600	20¢	720.00	43.20	16.20
James Sawtelle	7th	3600	20¢	720.00	43.20	16.20
Nahum Sibley	8th	3600	20¢	720.00	43.20	16.20
Otis Kelso	9th	5400	20¢	1.080.00	64.80	24.30
Frank Somerville	Corner of Grove Street	10.000	25¢	2.500.00	177.00	66.38
	Northerly side running from Walnut Street —					
Jedediah Hawley	Corner of Walnut & Bowdoin Streets	5000	25¢	1.250.00	75.00	28.12
George C. Stevens	2nd Lot westerly from Walnut Street	6750	25¢	1.687.50	101.25	37.97
David J. Prescott	3rd	20.250	25¢	5.062.50	303.75	113.91
David J. Prescott	4th	6000	25¢	1.500.00	90.00	33.75
A. Hartwell, present owner Reuben Melvin	5th	6.000	20¢	1.200.00	72.00	27.00
B. N. Potter, present owner Lewis Libby and Potter	6th	6.000	20¢	1.200.00	72.00	27.00
Edward H. Burke	7th	6000	20¢	1.200.00	72.00	27.00
John Hawkes	8th	3000	20¢	600.00	36.00	13.50
Joseph Dorling	9th	3.000	20¢	600.00	36.00	13.50
Sylvester Richards	10th	12.000	20¢	2400.00	144.00	54.00

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Estates	Location on Street	Number of feet	Price per foot	Valuation	Betterments 6%	Assessments 24%
George A. Foster	11th Lot easterly from Prospect Street	24,000	20¢	4800.00	288.00	108.00
George Abbott	12th " " " " "	6,000	20¢	1200.00	72.00	27.00
Oliver S. Foster	13th " " " " "	6,000	20¢	1200.00	72.00	27.00
A. Beaulieu & A. Paradis						
present owner A. Paradis	Part of 1	1500	25¢	450.00	27.00	10.25
A. Beaulieu & A. Paradis						
present owner C. A. Marsh	Part of 1	1,080	23¾¢	256.50	15.39	5.77
A. Beaulieu & A. Paradis						
present owner A. Martin	Part of 1	1,080	23¾¢	256.50	15.39	5.77
A. & Beaulieu & A. Paradis						
present owner George A. Lewis	Part of 1	1,080	25¢	279.00	16.77	6.29
Jeremiah Dinneen present owner Nelson Richardson	15th " " " " "	6,000	20¢	1200.00	72.00	27.00
Nelson Libby present owner Frank Parker	16th " " " " "	6,000	20¢	1200.00	72.00	27.00
James Higgins	17th " " " " "	3,000	20¢	600.00	36.00	13.50
John B. Tourgeard heirs of George Bradbury	Corner of Cross Street	11,000	27¢	2970.00	177.00	66.48
				58630.00		1391.17

Betterments 6% of the valuation

Assessments 24% of the valuation

The Warrant & assessment list filed in office of the Treasurer

City of Waterville

In Board of Aldermen and Selectmen Dec 23, 1872

Whereas within five years from the date hereunder to wit: Sept. 30, 1871, Benton Street so called in this City was duly laid out as a public highway, and Waterville and therein lands adjacent thereto expense of one thousand seven hundred twelve and 78/100 dollars, and whereas in the opinion of this Board the real estate mentioned in the foregoing petition has received benefit and advantage therefrom beyond the general advantage to all real estate in said Waterville it is therefore hereby Ordered and resolved that this Board

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does hereby adjudge and determine the value of such benefit and advantage to the estates therein specifically referred to and mentioned in the foregoing schedules (said estates being all the estates thus benefited) to be the sums in said schedules severally named and set against such estates, and that this Board does hereby assess upon the said estates respectively as a proportional share of the expense of laying out and grading said Bonair Street the sums set against said estates severally, and that the estates named in the foregoing schedules be and they hereby are respectively charged with and assessed the sums therein severally named against them in the said sums and assessments set forth, being one half of the amount of the adjudged benefit and advantage to said estates, and the work of laying out and grading the said street being completed, and the sums are certified as within stated, and it is furthermore hereby ordered that the sums as within stated be collected and issued.

(Approved)
Chas. E. Cilman
Clerk.

Meeting of the Mayor and Aldermen
December 30. 1872.

(Mayor presiding)

(Aldermen Hall, Hastings, Davis, Poor, Timberlake, Gilmore and Tremell present.

Records of last meeting approved.

Pay Roll (Company) 23 5th Regiment of Infantry for special duty performed in the City of Boston November 13th & 14th amounting to $234.08 was approved and the Mayor requested to draw his Warrant upon the Treasurer for payment of the same.

Military Pay roll Co. B. 5th Regt approved

December 30, 1872.

The Report of the City Physician was accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 30 Concurred.

Health report of City Physician ✓

The report of the Water Board was received, accepted, ordered to be printed and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 30th Concurred.

Water Board report order to print ✓

Report of the City Solicitor on the petition of North Merriam and Company to the Harbor Commissioners

Health North Merriam & Co. legal opinion of City Solicitor ✓

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.
The undersigned to whom was referred the matter of the petition of North Merriam & Co. to the Board of Harbor Commissioners for permission to erect a fish structure in the water in said City, ~~[illegible]~~ in the opinion of Mr. Isaac Pierce, reports that at the hearing by the Harbor Commissioners he opposed the granting of said petition, but withdrew his objection and consented thereto in behalf of the City upon North Merriam & Co. agreeing that within six months from the date of the order (namely December 1872) they would cover the premises under Good Pile structure to be filled up solid with gravel or other suitable material, except for such portion as may contain such pipe as may be required and which shall be no larger than is necessary for the adjacent territory should be filled.
All, which is respectfully submitted.
Benjamin F. Bowman City Solicitor.
Report accepted and sent down for Concurrence.
In Common Council December 30th Concurred.

Claims P. S. Higgins report ✓

Report of Committee on Claims on the petition of P. S. Higgins

The Committee on claims to whom was referred the petition of P. S. Higgins for damages sustained by reason

December 30, 1872.

Alleged defect in Mount Royal Street recommended that the petitioners be asked to withdraw their petition and would claim for compensation.
In Common Council December 30th Concurred in

Report of Committee on Claims on the petition of J. J. Delaney.

Delaney
N. A. Delaney
report

The Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of J. J. Delaney for an allowance of claims on account of an alleged error in their assessment recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw the petition and pay costs for concurrence.
In Common Council December 30 Concurred in

Alderman Bennett offered the following order.
City of Montreal, Board of Health and Vaccination.
Whereas from the opinion of the Board of Health the public health requires the passage of the following order it is therefore hereby Ordered that all the inhabitants of Montreal who have not been successfully vaccinated or revaccinated within five years be and they hereby are required and ordered to be so vaccinated and that all parents and guardians shall cause their children and wards to be vaccinated before they attain the age of two years, and revaccinated twelve years after the date of their last vaccination, and that the Chief of Police be and he hereby is authorized to prosecute all parties who shall neglect to comply with the requirements of this order.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council December 30th Concurred in

(December 30, 1872).

Health order for Vaccination

Health report of Board

The report of the agent of the Board of Health was accepted, his action ratified and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council Concurred in

Report of Committee on Public Property

In relation to order June 12 th instructing the committee to procure a proper grading around the High School House, Steamer House & City Hall.

Your Committee have to report that they have attended to the duty so far as in their judgement has been practicable. The material to be removed is valuable and should be removed from time to time when such material can be used and save expense in hauling. Highland Avenue is to be redeemed and in the judgement of your committee no permanent grading can be done until the lines of said Avenue have been established.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council concurred in

Public Property order to grade

Report of Committee on Public Property

Upon the order instructing the Committee on Public Property to purchase land and erect a building thereon for a Hose House in Ward 4

Your Committee present the report the purchase of a piece of land (as per plan made by Charles D. Elliott) 1035 feet more or less, for the sum of $3154 33/100 dollars, said land is located on corner of Grove Street and Highland Avenue. The deed for same having been approved has been delivered with the Treasurer.

Your Committee also report that plans and specifications for a building have been drawn, that they have met the approval of the Committee, but it being too late in the session and their official duties nearly to a close they have not had time to present said plans to the present City Government.

Report accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council concurred in

Hose House Ward 4

report of Committee on Public Property

Report of Committee on Public Property

The Committee on Public Property herewith report upon the order of the 9th of December in relation to the disposal of the Desk and Safe formerly of Captain Thomas Cunningham; that the Committee have instructed the Clerk to send for said desk and safe and deposit them in the City Hall.

Public Property disposal of report

Amended on motion of Alderman Pierce, so that the Committee on Public Property be instructed to remove the desk to the Mayor's office in the City Hall and to present the safe to Captain Cunningham.

Report accepted and adopted as amended and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council December 30. Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

In Board of Aldermen

Ordered That the assessment to the sum of Sixty and 29/100 dollars made upon Daniel B. Miller by the order for sidewalks assessments passed by said Board October 28, 1872 be abated by the sum of twenty one 7/100 dollars.

Sidewalks Miller assessment abated

Accepted, adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of John Quinlan for remuneration for land taken on Mich. Street, recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his claim.

Claim John Quinlan report

Report accepted; adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Concurred in.

Report of Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petitions of W. H. Pierce for a change in the terminus of the Middlesex Horse Rail Road Track; and the Rail Road Company for a further location, recommend that

Middlesex H. R. R. change of terminus report

December 30, 1872.

inasmuch as it is understood that the Chicago & Milwaukee Railroad Company will petition early the next session for an extension of their location that it is advisable that no action be taken at present, and the Committee present herewith an opinion of the City Solicitor upon the subject of changing the present location.

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Concurred in.

Opinion of the City Solicitor upon the subject of changing the location of Railroad Tracks

To the Committee on Highways

Gentlemen:

Audit Track R.R.
Change of terminus
Legal opinions of City Solicitor

In reference to the petition of William H. Prince which is herewith enclosed I am consulted on the Board of Aldermen

First, upon proper petition notice and hearing the Board of Aldermen may order an alteration of the location and position of the Track in front of the premises of Mr. Prince, to be made by the corporation. In case of refusal by the corporation to obey this order the only remedy seem to be an appeal to the Court of equity to compel obedience on the part of the company, and this course would cause the delays of litigation.

Second, Upon proper petition notice and hearing the Board of Aldermen may order the location of the Track in front of Mr. Prince's premises to be reviewed, and the rails removed by the Company, and upon neglect by the company to comply with such order within thirty days, the Board of Aldermen might cause the rails to be removed at the expense of the Company.

This latter mode would seem to be the most speedy and efficient remedy and one about the legality of which there is the least doubt.

For the law as applicable to this subject I refer you to the acts of 1871, chapter 881, Sections 16 & 17.

all which is respectfully submitted. Edwin F. Brown City Solicitor

December 30, 1872.

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Highways to whom was referred the following named matters, recommend that they be referred to the next City Government—

Adoption of a report of this Committee for the laying out of Highland Avenue, and the petition of George A. Dickerman and others in regard to the same. — Chauncey referred to next City Government.

Adoption of reports of this Committee for the construction of sidewalks in Pearl, Melrose, Walnut, Milford, Washington and Bay State streets and Broadway.

Adoption of a report of this Committee for a crossing at Moreland and Elm Street—

Adoption of a report of this Committee in regard to the laying out of Berkeley Street, and the repairs of Elm Street

Adoption of a report of this Committee for the closing of a part of Boston Street—

Petitions for the laying out of Lines, Vernon, Thurston, Berkeley, Orrin and Oxford Streets, and for sidewalks in Pearl and a part of Pearl Streets

Contracts for the construction of Boston Avenue and Old Street

Communication from Charles Worrell in regard to the curb line at the corner of Washington and Prospect Streets

Order for the laying out of a portion of Pearl Street—

Orders for the construction of sidewalks in certain streets and around certain School houses.

Order for the defining of the lines of Beacon Street—

Order in relation to turnouts on the line of the Horse Railroad in Main Street—

Petition for the repair of Porter Street—

Order in reference to straightening the northerly line of Broadway

Report accepted, adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council December 30 Concurred in.

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December 30, 1872.

Communication from Interior Dept. relative to the removal of the Indians of the Round Valley Reservation

December 30, 1872.

Finance

The committee on Finance to whom was referred the Assembly bill entitled "An act to provide for the payment of certain claims against the State" report that they have examined said bill and find that the amount required to be appropriated by said bill is the sum of sixty thousand dollars. We therefore recommend that said bill be amended by striking out the words "sixty thousand" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "three hundred and twenty three dollars" so that said bill shall read "The Treasurer is authorized to pay the following claims, viz:" and that as so amended it be ordered to a third reading.

Which report was adopted, and said bill ordered to a third reading.

In Common Council, December 30 1872 Concurred in

Finance

Union Place

The committee on Finance to whom was referred the petition of Jas. Lock and others for the vacation of Union Place, and the Mayor, with a request to the committee on Finance, to examine the premises and report, have met the Mayor, Commissioner of Public Works, Commissioner of Parks, Commissioner of Streets, and Commissioner of Bridges, and have examined said Union Place, and have heard the arguments for and against the vacation of said place, and find that the land is low, flat, and swampy, and not in a healthy condition, and that the expense of filling the same would be very great, and we recommend the Chief of Works be instructed to use the Department money, that is now in his hands to keep water from the premises and that the street be kept open, and be graded to a minimum.

Which report was adopted and said department was

In Common Council, December 30 Concurred in

December 30, 1872

Report of the Committee on Highways

The Committee on Transportation were referred the petitions of Mr Merrill and others and A. J. Adington and others for laying out a Horse Street recommend that the Street between Broadway and Richard Avenue be laid out the width of fifty feet, provided the City Engineer be instructed to award damages except for a sum previously awarded to Hiram Kendall for injury to property against the widening of the Street and assent of the time of constructing the street, edestones to be set on the Northerly side of said Street from Broadway to Wedgewood Street.

School street laying out of recommended

The report was accepted by the Board of City Council and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Report so concurred in

Alderman Hall offered the following Order

In Board of Aldermen December 30, 1872.

Ordered

That the City Solicitor be and he hereby is instructed and authorized to do all things and sign all papers in the name and in behalf of the City, and commence such legal proceedings to be instituted, as may be necessary or required to restrain or prevent the sitting, occupation, use or building up in Somerville the Manufacturing or rendering purposes in the other, noxious and dangerous trades and and to enforce a compliance by all persons with Chapter 167 of the Statutes of this Commonwealth for the year 1871.

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Report so concurred in

Suisances being Solicitor to prevent

Alderman Hall offered the following Order

Ordered

That the City Physician be compensated for the sum of two hundred dollars, on account of the additional duties caused by the present epidemic, the same to be taken from unexpended balances

Order adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Report so concurred in

Salary of City Physician increased

December 30, 1872.

Alderman Hall offered the following order
In Board of Aldermen December 30, 1872.
Ordered:
That the order passed by this Board & Mayor and Aldermen May 27 and by the Common Council June 24 1872, granting permission to the Union Horse R.R. Company to change the location of their tracks in Union Square, be and hereby is rescinded.
Order adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council Concurred in

Union Horse R.R. permission to change location rescinded

Alderman Gibbs offered the following order
In Board & Mayor and Aldermen
Ordered
That the Evening of January 20 instant at seven and the Mayor and Aldermen meet in the City Hall to consider and determine upon times in the hearing of petitions against taxes in accordance with and to carry into effect the order passed this day in relation thereto.
In Board of Aldermen Concurred.

Mt Vernon and Dana streets extension order for hearing on abatement &c

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Not matters referred to in this order
In Board & Mayor and Aldermen
Whereas the inconvenient situation and extent of the Mt Vernon Hospital and adjoining grounds, and the limited facilities for separate care and treatment of Charlestown patients thereon, have rendered it desirable that an extension of the hospital should be made, and the City Solicitor has reported legislation for the purpose of authorizing the same;
Therefore Aldermen Gleason, Hall and Gibbs are hereby added to the Joint Committee.

Annexation of portion of Charlestown

Not matters referred the following order
Ordered, That the City Clerk and the City Solicitor be authorized and instructed to employ such aid as may be necessary in preparing, enforcing and defending the claims of the City of Boston against the Commonwealth for the expense incurred by the State in the care and support of the Boston Lunatics, and for the expense incurred by the State in the care and support of the Boston Paupers. (Concurred in

Births order to employ assistance in collecting

December 30, 1872.

Order in Common Council.

Somerville & R.R. authority to change crossing

In Common Council December 30 1872.

Ordered that the Somerville Horse Railroad Company be authorized to change the location of a portion of the line of the track where in the judgment of the Highway Committee the same may be done without injury or inconvenience to the public.

In Common Council December 30 Order adopted and put up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen December 30. Concurred in.

Public Property lower for carpet in Aldermen's room reports

Board of Aldermen

Committee on Public Property made a report that they considered it inexpedient to procure a carpet for the floor in the Aldermen's room.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Prentiss the report of the committee in Hampshire was taken up for consideration. A motion was made to amend by adding "provided the expense to the city for the improvement shall not exceed one thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

Order as thus amended is respectfully referred to the next city council when the question of the reference will be added in the affirmative - Yeas in the negative nothing order lost.

The Mayor stated in the affirmative and the report was passed and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Concurred in.

Sidewalks Pythian and Drown blocks assessment list and order

Committee on Highways

Sidewalk assessment and order

Ordered that the sidewalk adjoining and constituting sidewalk in the city of Somerville in front of Pythian and Brown blocks on the corner of Milk and Bow Streets be paid edged with edgestones and covered with brick

Owners on said sidewalks		Cost of sidewalks	Assessment on owners
Dea. Hill		353.40	176.70

December 30, 1872.

City of Hamilton

To Board of Magistrates & Aldermen

December 30, 1872.

Gentlemen, that the cost of grading and constructing the sidewalks, within organized, commencing respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and adopted by the Council thereof, amounting in the whole to the sum of $[illegible] cents, to be assessed upon the owners, the persons named in the within schedules, being owners on such streets as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set against respective names respectively, with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum, and the said sums so assessed, as aforesaid, be payable in the manner, times and proportions stated, and which proportions are fixed to be given to the parties aforesaid, time and payments respectively, and it is ordered that the warrant, as aforesaid, be signed, sealed and issued.

In witness whereof, the seal of the Corporation is affixed and attested

[illegible]

[illegible]

To the Board of Commissioners of Highways

Sidewalks

Plank street

Assessment list

and order thereon

Gentlemen, the cost of grading, flagging and constructing sidewalks, as set forth in the schedule annexed, on the streets in the City of Hamilton, as set forth in the schedule annexed, and adopted by the Council of the City of Hamilton

Abutters on said sidewalks		Total sidewalks	Assessment on owners
[illegible]		163 25	81 62
[illegible]		115 18	57 09
[illegible]		95 16	49 08
[illegible]		195 91	96 95
[illegible]		200 42	100 21
[illegible]		59 42	29 71
[illegible]		97 07	48 53
[illegible]		113 62	56 81
		1130 10	563 03

December 30, 1872

City of Somerville

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

December 30th 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of grading and constructing the sidewalks within preferred by assessing respectively to the owners specified in the petition presented, and adjudicating the property thereon, one half to be paid by the city, the remaining three fifths within the limits of the city of Somerville be assessed upon the owners, being persons or such interests as aforesaid, the said city being purchaser and assessed with the same therefore at their proportionate amounts as their respective rates of the values of the said sidewalks, and the same be collected as provided, and in the manner stated, and in accordance with the laws aforesaid, this fourth order, and it is ordered that the warrant, as within stated be adopted and passed

The original was accepted and the order adopted

The Warrant see assessment list on file in treasurer's office.

Sidewalks Union Street Assessment list report and order

Report of the Committee on Highways

Relative to assessment, Union Street

In pursuance of the act of building and constructing sidewalks within the city of Somerville, incorporated March 1, 1872, and on both sides thereof, and extending from Broadway Street to Graphic Avenue with flagstones, and on the with brick

Abutters on said sidewalks	Cost of sidewalks	Proportion assessed on abutters
W. F. Hanchett	188 58	94 26
Francis C. Bird	71 49	35 74
Charles W. Holt	72 26	36 13
Andrew Y. Walker	389 44	194 52
Daniel A. Robinson	98 41	49 20
David Cummings	201 56	100 78
John Hutchins	95 63	47 81
William Bishop	130 69	65 34
	1247 61	623 78

The Warrant see assessment list filed in treasurer's office

December 30, 1872.

City of Kingston.

In Board of Works and Sewers.

December 30th 1872.

[illegible] the cost of grading and constructing the sidewalks on Princess street from Montreal street to the west side of the Market House, and also [illegible] Bagot street from the Market House to the east side of the City, that are considered the property of the City, [illegible] the property owners [illegible] the sidewalks [illegible] within [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] the

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and they hereby assessed and assessed with the sums
hereinafter set forth respectively against the said property owners
that portion of the said sidewalks, and in the said
manner as mentioned, and it is ordered to be given to the
parties aforesaid their respective taxes, and it is ordered that the
assessment as mentioned be adopted and issued.
Which was accepted and order adopted.

Report of the Committee on Highways
Sidewalk assessment - Florence Street
(Adopting in part the cost of compelling grading and grade
grade and sidewalks in the city of Florence and Florence
Street in said city and on the sides thereof and extending
from Mobile Health Place Street and crossing with brick
and with tile pavement)

Sidewalks Florence street Assessment list report & order

Owners or occupiers		Cost of improvements	Proportion assessed on valuation
Jerusha Green		152 94	76 42
Thomas W. Leland		111 11	55 55
Chas. Hall		29 74	14 87
John Bailey		126 55	63 27
Frank Nelson		101 56	50 78
		521 80	260 89

The Treasurer is authorized to collect in the usual way.

City of Mobile, Dec. 30th 1872

Ordered that the contract for constructing the side-walks on the streets mentioned in the report of the Committee on Highways, be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed, and the Treasurer is authorized to pay the same out of the funds appropriated for the purpose, and the Treasurer is authorized to collect the assessments made in the said report, and the same be collected as other taxes are collected, and the same be paid over to the parties entitled to the same.
The report was accepted and the order adopted.

December 30, 1872.

Report of the Committee on Sidewalks — Sidewalk Assessment, Oakland Avenue.

Sidewalks, Oakland Ave, Assessment List, Report & Order

To the Common Council of the City of Hannibal:

The undersigned, a committee appointed to examine the sidewalk on Oakland Avenue in said city, and on both sides thereof, beginning from Hazel Street to Walnut Street, and ascertain the cost of completing, repairing and constructing sidewalks in said city, and report the same to the Common Council, beg leave to report that we have examined said sidewalk, and find it to be in good repair, and there remaining the proportion of the entire sidewalk, being one hundred feet to be assessed, when the petition, the proportion payable in the multiple of one hundred feet, being petitioned for and asked for, and the property abutting on said sidewalk, to wit, lots and the property abutting on said sidewalk, to wit, lots and the property abutting on said sidewalk, to wit, lots

December 30, 1872.

Report of the Committee on Sidewalks

Sidewalks — Sidewalk Assessment, Harvard Street

Harvard Street (to display) in and the cost of constructing gratings and
Assessment list on sidewalks and drains in the City of Somerville on Har-
report & order ward Street in said City and on both sides thereof and
extending from Bank Street to Summer Street with
stepstones and connect with bricks

Owners on side of street		Cost of sidewalks on abutters	Repair & maintenance assessed on abutters
John Davidson		415 97	209 48
William A. Dyer		367 53	186 76
Simon C. Leslie		245 82	122 91
John Harris		282 87	141 68
John Warren		241 93	120 96
W. C. Weed		171 86	85 98
J. B. Johnson		170 22	85 11
Chas Johnson		211 21	105 60
Wm & James E. Porter		245 17	122 58
Thomas Allen		48 44	24 07
Christopher C. Thomas		241 83	120 91
		2606 00	1322 99

Sidewalk assessment list filed in Thomas Hill's office.

City of Somerville.

Executive Office of the Mayor.

Somerville Dec. 30th 1872.

Ordered, that the order grading and constructing the side walks within and bounding upon the streets named in the within schedule, and also declaring the proportion of the expense to be paid by the City, and assessing the sums specified in the within schedule upon the abutters on said streets, be and the same hereby is approved, and that the same be assessed and collected with the same interest to the respective owners as their proportional part of the expense of the said side walks and the same is assessed as within stated, and that the assessments be given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be issued forthwith.

The report was accepted and the order adopted.

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Report of the Committee on Highways

To the City Council of the City of Evergreen, in fact the cost of completing grading and constructing sidewalks, in the City of Evergreen, Oregon, on said City and on both sides thereof and adjacent to Marshall Street, Fir Street, Pine Street, Sidewalks, and corner with grade.

Sidewalks Evergreen Add Assessment list report Order

Owners on sidewalks		Contract price	Assessment on property
Augustus W. Sanborn		114 35	57 22
Henry L. Stevens		67 48	33 74
Chas. H. Carlon		39 77	19 89
Hiram C. Hill		64 02	32 01
Henry M. Beals		64 02	32 01
Edwin Weed		112 52	56 26
James Carman		134 27	67 13
Lewis C. Miller		36 86	18 43
Geo. Stolz		48 50	24 25
Lorenzo Bell		83 46	41 73
Henry Chickering		66 60	33 30
George C. Higgins		129 05	64 52
		961 40	480 50

For warrant see assessment list filed in Treasurer's office.

City of Evergreen

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen December 30, 1872.

Ordered that the cost of grading and constructing the sidewalks within mentioned, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and after deducting the proportion thereof, amounting to be paid by the city, be assessed upon the within schedule, being a tax on such sidewalks as aforesaid, and the same be charged and assessed with the sums mentioned in their respective names as their just proportion of the cost of the said sidewalks, and the same is certified as within platted and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties owning said sidewalks, and it is ordered that the warrant as within stated be adopted and issued.

The report was accepted and the order adopted.

December 30, 1872.

Report of Committee on Claims — Sidewalks

Report in part the cost of constructing grading and constructing sidewalks, on the east side of Lincoln Street in said city, and on both sides thereof, and adjacent thereto, in front of the lots specified in the schedule with the names of the owners of said lots, and the amount of said cost, with the amount to be assessed upon said lots, respectively, made.

Sidewalks Lincoln Street Assessments report & order

Names of owners of lots & sidewalks	Cost of sidewalks & construction	Proportion assessed
Francis E. Willis & J. Garrett	82 74	41 37
Samuel Cooper	216 17	108 09
William B. Williams	152 20	76 10
William C. Brown	96 44	48 22
John Hall	96 44	48 22
Mrs. B. J. Hanna	100 38	50 19
W. J. Cook	104 38	52 19
Lucien H. Long	115 24	57 12
George E. Bakewell	134 54	67 27
Joseph J. Irby	180 45	90 22
John W. Cooper	207 11	103 55
	1480 08	744 54

Permanent assessment list filed in the Treasurer's

City of Wheeling

In Board of Aldermen and Council, December 30, 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of grading and constructing the sidewalks within mentioned, amounting respectively to the sums specified in the within schedule, and after deducting the proportion to be assessed upon the lots fronting the City Street, respectively, the sums specified in the within schedule, be assessed upon the sidewalks as aforesaid, and the same be charged and assessed upon the same lots to the respective owners as their proportion hereof, the names of the said sidewalks and the sums to be certified as within stated and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, thereon, and it is ordered that the report as within stated be adopted and issued.

The report was accepted and the order adopted.

December 30, 1872.

Report of the Committee on Sidewalks
Bond Street

Sidewalks
Bond Street
Assessment list
report & order

Undersigned, to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Sterling and others, praying for the laying down of a sidewalk in the city of Kennebunk, on Bond Street in said city and on the westerly side thereof, and extending from Sandy River to Winslow Street, so called, have met, heard and considered the petition, and report as follows:

Owners or reputed owners	Number of square feet in sidewalk	Assessment
John Spiller	141 16	70 58
Jesse L. Young	124 85	57 42
Noah Littlefield	120 50	60 15
Benjamin Clark	105 46	52 73
Edmund Burnham	120 35	65 17
Edward Hearne	131 76	65 88
John Lord	111 52	55 76
Heirs of John W. Bond	92 27	46 13
Joseph Lemont	141 15	70 57
Simon A. Watson	65 90	32 95
Mrs. de Jennings	52 87	26 43
H. S. Woodcock	117 73	58 86
	1348 23	671 62

The foregoing assessment list filed in the Treasurer's office

City of Kennebunk

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen, December 30, 1872.

Voted, that the foregoing report be accepted and the sidewalk within named be constructed, and the sum specified in the within order be assessed upon the owners of the premises adjoining said sidewalk, being about one rod and a half in length, and the same be collected and paid to the City Treasurer, and assessed with the same interest as other assessments, and that the same be collected and paid to the City Treasurer, and the same be collected and paid to the parties aforesaid, their heirs and assigns, and that the same be collected and paid to the parties aforesaid, their heirs and assigns, and that the same be collected and paid to the parties aforesaid, their heirs and assigns, and that

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Report of Committee on Highways

Sidewalks
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Sidewalk Assessment Roll No 1

To the City in part the cost of completing grading and constructing sidewalks in the City of Somerville in Ward Three in said City and on the streets and ways hereinafter mentioned to be laid out in the manner and specifications hereinafter set and erected with brick

Owners on said Sidewalks	Cost of sidewalks on abutting	Proportionate assessment
John Cole	64 16	32 08
Mrs Richard Mann	77 50	38 75
John Ellis	54 72	27 36
James Ross	62 50	31 25
W Evans	50 83	25 41
Moses Graves	101 25	50 62
Edward B Wilson	117 64	58 82
Henry Cudlipp	63 91	31 95
Dr. H. C. Emmons	53 26	26 63
Noah B. Burns	43 26	21 63
Mrs. M. E. Davis	43 26	21 63
Theodore Savage	33 30	16 65
A. H. Fox	32 50	16 25
Charles Metcalf	98 78	49 39
	896 87	448 42

The foregoing assessment list filed in the Treasurer's office.

City of Somerville

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen December 30, 1872.

Ordered, that the cost of grading and constructing the sidewalks within petitioned for on the following properties in the manner expressed in the within petition and order deducting the proportion thereof from the amount to be paid by the City, the remaining the same specified in the within petition, one half of said cost to be assessed upon the abutters named in the within petition, being petitioners on said sidewalks as aforesaid, be and the same is hereby changed and passed with the same to be laid out in the manner hereinafter set forth, and the proportion thereof of the cost of said sidewalks and the same is hereby assessed upon the abutters stated and within described

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[illegible] given to the parties aforesaid their proportional [illegible] and it is ordered that the remainder [illegible] be [illegible] and [illegible].

The report was accepted and order adopted.

Report of the Committee on Highways

Presented at Summer Street

(To determine and the cost of completing and improving the sidewalk in the City of Worcester on Summer Street on said City and on the southerly side thereof and extending from Mount Pleasant Street to Lake Avenue and the following [illegible] was ordered and concurred with [illegible]

Sidewalks Summer street Assessment list report & order

Names of abutters		Cost of sidewalk	Proportion assessed on abutters
Marion C. Hill		458 20	229 12
George O. Wesselhoeft		727 70	363 85
Lottie Morris		251 99	125 99
C. E. Simmons		555 65	277 82
E. R. Needham, Administrator		306 72	153 36
John G. Heald		372 78	186 39
F. P. Weidman		226 40	113 20
Richard Bolan		155 87	77 93
Charles F. Clapp		160 03	80 01
Benjamin Dike		166 30	83 15
		3380 67	1690 32

The assessment is filed in the Treasurer's office.

City of Worcester

[illegible] Mayor and Aldermen: December 30, 1872.

[illegible] report of the committee on highways and order relating thereto, [illegible] improved sidewalk on Summer Street, [illegible] and after deducting the proportion thereof assessed on the City, [illegible] the remainder should be assessed upon the abutters, [illegible] and [illegible] the same [illegible] and assessed the same [illegible] in their respective names as their just proportional part of the expense of said sidewalk, and the same is certified as within

December 30, 1872.

Stated and [illegible] [illegible] to be given to the parties aforesaid their heirs or assigns, and it is ordered that the same be within stated be adopted and issued

[illegible] was [illegible] and be [illegible] adopted

Report of Committee on Highways

Sidewalks

Sidewalk Assessment on Lemon Street

Mr. Lemon Street

Assessment lists in favor of completing grading and contract

report & order

[illegible]

Owners names	Cost of sidewalks	Proportionate assessments
[illegible]	205.25	101.67
[illegible]	71.50	35.80
[illegible]	71.60	35.80
[illegible]	271.86	135.93
[illegible]	83.20	41.60
[illegible]	98.06	48.48
[illegible]	297.02	148.51
[illegible]	237.02	118.01
[illegible]	483.54	241.77
[illegible]	337.43	168.71
[illegible]	81.11	40.55
[illegible]	223.19	111.59
[illegible]	182.66	91.33
[illegible]	189.10	94.55
[illegible]	176.02	88.01
[illegible]	41.82	20.91
[illegible]	57.65	28.82
[illegible]	89.90	44.95
[illegible]	89.40	44.20
[illegible]	70.66	35.33
[illegible]	143.75	71.87
	3,475.84	1,737.89

[illegible] recommend that [illegible] be [illegible] as [illegible]

December 30, 1872.

City of Vineyard

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen December 30, 1872.

Ordered that the work of grading and constructing the walks within mentioned, commencing respectively at the terms specified in the within petitions, and at the date of the petition hereof, namely, one half to be finished by the 1st day, three remaining thirds specified in the within petitions, being one half of such costs to be assessed upon the owners of the premises named in the within petitions, being adjacent to such sidewalks respectively, be and the same are changed and assessed with the terms therein set forth in their respective names, as their last petitions have part of the expense of the said sidewalks, and the same is certified as within stated, and notice thereof is ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, their heirs or assigns, and it is ordered that the assessment, as within stated, be adopted and issued.

The report was accepted and the order adopted.

Report of Committee on Highways

Sidewalks
Prebster street
Assessments
report & order

Sidewalk Assessment Worcester Street

In pursuance of the order passed by the City Council, we have laid out, constructed, and completed a sidewalk in the City of Vineyard in Worcester Street in said City, and on both sides thereof and extending from Franklin Street to Glen Street with exceptions, and over said mill brook.

Petitions, on which assessments		Gross assessments on abutters		Deduction one-third	
Vance Perkins		199	22	99	61
John Leach		109	02	54	51
Charles H. Hutte		50	30	25	15
John Hood		50	30	25	15
Matthew Clemens		50	30	25	15
Edwin Gay		52	54	26	27
Charles H. Marsh		68	96	34	48
Heirs		68	96	34	48
Charles H. Crane		68	96	34	48
Noah Lewis		129	03	64	51
Joseph Stewart		101	80	50	90
Lewis H. Gill		106	25	53	12

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[illegible]	137 98	68 99
[illegible]	119 13	59 56
[illegible]	135 76	67 88
[illegible]	140 16	70 08
[illegible]	76 65	38 32
[illegible]	45 61	22 80
[illegible]	83 90	41 95
[illegible]	84 25	42 12
[illegible]	50 26	25 13
[illegible]	36 56	18 28
	1966 90	982 92

The amount per assessment roll filed in the treasurer's office.

City of Milwaukee

In Board of Aldermen December 30, 1872.

Ordered, that the act of grading and constructing the sidewalks within referred to and enumerated in the annexed schedule in the within sensedate and often declaring the portion thereof to be paid by the city, thereon, providing the same shall be in the within schedule being directly as aforesaid, be and the same hereby confirmed and approved with the modifications set forth in the respective names, as the portion thereof of the owner of the said sidewalks, and the same be certified as within stated, and notice thereof ordered to be given to the parties aforesaid, therein mentioned, and it is ordered that the warrants within stated be adopted and issued.

The whole was accepted and thereupon adopted.

Alderman Barrett offered the following order:

Votes of thanks to Mayor. In Board of Mayor and Aldermen December 30, 1872.

Ordered

That the thanks of this board be tendered to the Mayor for the able impartial and unbiased manner in which he has filled the duties of his office and presided over the deliberations of this assembly.

(In Board of Aldermen. Order unanimously adopted.)