NEW ORLEANS:
MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1852.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE DAILY CRESCENT.

Official Report.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

SITTING OF DECEMBER 14 1852.

The Board met this day, pursuant to adjournment.

Members present—Hon. W. C. C. Claiborne, President; and Messrs. Burke, Clark, Converse, Gasquet, Harris, Labatut, Lugenbuhl and Sewell.

The reading of the journal was, on motion, dispensed with.

The following message from the Mayor was read, and on motion the first part was referred to the Committee on the Fisk Library, and the Mayor was requested to return the thanks of the Council to the donors, and the second part referred to the Judiciary Committee.

MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, December 14, 1852.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Assistant Aldermen of the City of New Orleans:

Gentlemen—I have the honor to transmit to you herewith, a copy of a letter from Mr. B. F. French, of New York, accompanied by a list of books donated to the Fisk Free Library, through the agency of this gentleman, and comprising contributions from Messrs. J. S. Redfield, C. B. Norton, Fowler & Wells, B. F. French, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the American Bible Society, and the Mayor of the city of New York.

Enclosed I beg to hand you a letter from Mr. H. Planchard, abandoning his property on Pauline street for the opening and widening of said street, and also a certified copy of said abandonment from the Second District Court.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

A message was received from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, enclosing the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be requested to meet this Board on Tuesday evening next, the 14th instant, for the purpose of electing a keeper of the Court-house, a Director of the Water-works in place of J. Lamats, resigned, and for the election of a Director of the Public Schools of the First District, in place of Daniel Byrne, resigned.

Mr. Clark proposed to amend by making it that Tuesday, 21st instant, at 8 o'clock, P. M., when the amended resolution was returned to the Board of Assistant Aldermen.

A communication from the Surveyor was read, relative to the Wharves of the Fourth District, and the following resolution, offered by Mr. Burke, was adopted, after having been read twice, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell, after ten days' notice in the official journal, for account of Henry Hadley, the contract for repairing and rebuilding the wharves of the Fourth District, said contract having expired on the 30th Nov. 1852.

Two reports from Captain Saml. Caldwell, giving the names of persons arrested in the Fifth District, during the month of November, were referred to the Police Committee.

A bill due Edward Planchard, amounting to $27, was referred to the Committee on Workhouse and Prisons.

A communication from J. B. Lamotte, complaining that the terms of his lease had not been complied with by the city, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A petition of Joseph Scholl was referred to the Committee on Claims.

A communication was read from Mr. Blanc, complaining of the negligence of the contractor for draining the lands in the rear of the Third District, and was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

A letter from Mr. C. B. D. Carpentier was read, sending his resignation as Director of the Public Schools of the Third District.

On motion the resignation was accepted.

A petition from Joseph Fernandez, policeman, asking for the payment of his salary during the time that he was confined to his bed from injuries received in the discharge of his duty, was referred to the Police Committee.

A letter from Mrs. Aimée Peyson was read, asking to be indemnified for the loss sustained by her by the opening of various streets in the Second District, and referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

A communication from property-holders in the Third District, complaining of the neglect of the contractor for the draining machine, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings, with power to act.

A letter was read from Robert Hamilton, resigning his contract to build Engine-house No. 8, as his security is unwilling to sign the contract, and the following resolution, offered by Mr. Clark, was read twice and adopted, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That the Comptroller sell at auction to the lowest bidder, after ten days' notice, and for account of Robert Hamilton, the former purchaser, the contract for the erection of an Engine-house for Fire Company No. 8, according to plans and specifications on file in the Surveyor's office.

A letter from Mr. Cyrot Gentes was laid on the table.

A petition of the Louisiana Hose Company, praying for an appropriation for the purpose of aiding them in their necessary expenses, was referred to the Committee on Fire.

A letter from Mr. Adam Gaisser, relative to the removal of his tallow factory, situated on Fourth street, between St. Patrick and St. Denis, was referred to the Police Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following report and resolution, offered by Mr. Converse, on behalf of the Finance Committee, were adopted, the rules being suspended:

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Thos. Hynes, asking payment of one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and fifty cents for the filling up of a certain lot of ground in the Third District, under a resolution of the Council of the Third Municipality; your committee has made the necessary inquiries concerning the same, and find that the charge made is too high by nearly one half, and recommend the payment of ninety-three dollars and fifty cents, and offer the necessary resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. CONVERSE,
E. W. SEWELL.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay on the warrant of the Comptroller, to Thomas Hynes, the sum of ninety-three dollars and fifty cents, for filling up a certain lot on Love street, between Elysian Fields and Marigny streets, under a resolution of the Council of the Third Municipality, passed March 11, 1851.

The following ordinance, presented by Mr. Clark, was read and made the order of the day for the next meeting:

An Ordinance to regulate the Levee dues and wharfage on ships and vessels arriving from sea, and on steamboats, flatboats, etc., arriving at the port of New Orleans:

Article 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of New Orleans, That from and after the 1st of January, 1853, the Levee or Wharfage dues on ships, and other decked vessels, and steamships, arriving from sea, shall be fixed as follows: On all vessels of 1000 tons and under, twenty cents per ton; and excess of tonnage over 1000 tons, fifteen cents per ton. On all steamships navigating the Gulf of Mexico or the ocean, fifteen cents per ton.

Art. 2. Be it further ordained, That from and after the 1st of January, 1853, the Levee dues on all steamboats which shall moor or land in any part of the port of New Orleans, shall be fixed as follows: Ten cents per ton, if in port not over five days; and five dollars per day after said five days shall have expired. Provided that boats arriving and departing more than once in each week shall pay only seven cents per ton each trip.

Art. 3. Be it further ordained, That from and after the 1st of January, 1853, the Levee dues on flatboats, barges, etc., fully or in part laden with produce, materials, or merchandise of any kind, shall be as follows: Flatboats, not measuring more than eighty feet, eight dollars; eighty to one hundred feet, ten dollars; one hundred feet and over, thirteen dollars. On each barge, measuring less than seventy feet, and not over twenty tons, eight do lars. On each steamboat hull, used as a barge, twenty-five dollars. On each scow, or coasting pirogue, two dollars.

Art. 4. Be it further ordained, That so much of all existing ordinances as are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, be and are hereby repealed.

Mr. Clark presented the following resolution, which was read twice and adopted, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That the adjudication of the contract for wooden bridges in the Second District, to Thos. Tourmey, as principal, and Richard Barry as security, be and the same is hereby approved of.

Mr. Clark presented the following resolution, which was read twice and adopted, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That E. A. Michel, sergeant-at-arms of this Board, be and is hereby requested to prepare an index of the ordinances and resolutions passed and adopted by the Common Council of the city of New Orleans, from the 29th March last to the present time, and to continue the same for the use of the Board of Aldermen.

A petition was read from certain citizens asking the privilege of constructing a railroad from the northern to the southern limits of the city.

Mr. Converse offered the following resolution, which was adopted, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That the petition of citizens for a railroad in the city, for horse cars only, be referred to a Joint Committee of Conference of four members of the Board of Aldermen, to meet a like committee from the Board of Assistant Aldermen.

Messrs. Converse, Labatut, Burke and Claiborne were appointed on said committee.

Mr. Converse offered the following resolution, which was read twice and adopted, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner shall not, after the passage of this resolution, employ for the use of his department, in any one District of this city, more than five men, horses and carts, unless by order of the Committees of Streets and Landings of the Common Council, except when required to do the work of some delinquent contractor, and then for such specific work and no other: that his monthly pay rolls shall state the amount required for his regular pay roll, as also the amount paid or required for work done or performed on the contract for each delinquent.

On motion of Mr. Burke the Committee on Streets and Landings was directed to inquire into the expediency of purchasing the wharf, etc., built by Paradise, Lawrason & Co., in the Fourth District.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Clark, was adopted, the rules being suspended:

Resolved, That the following persons are appointed Inspectors and Clerks of the Election for Governor and other State officers, etc., to be held on the fourth Monday in December, at the places hereinafter designated:

First Precinct—At Kramer's, corner of Annunciation and Race streets. M. Martin, Inspector; H. J. Leovy, Clerk.

Second Precinct—At Henderson's coffee-house, Horse Station. Jas. Dunlap, Inspector; J. J. Osborne, Clerk.

Third Precinct—At Fulton School House. W. Monaghan, Inspector; Thos. Diamond, Clerk.

Fourth Precinct—At Engine House No. 18. J. M. Cass, Inspector; David Caldwell, Clerk.

Fifth Precinct—At Engine House No. 2. W. B. Seymour, Inspector; L. C. Dillard, Clerk.

Sixth Precinct—At Louisiana Hose House. W. C. Auld, Inspector; W. A. Beecher, Clerk.

Seventh Precinct—At A. O'Donnell's, Poydras street. J. C. Stewart, Inspector; George Doane, Clerk.

Eighth Precinct.—Conti Street Hotel. N. Richards, Inspector; M. E. Canon, Clerk.

Ninth Precinct—At S. Prat's, corner of Rampart and Customhouse streets. L. J. Harris, Inspector; R. Abbott, Clerk.

Tenth Precinct—At Jefferson coffee-house, Chartres street. Wm. Andry, Inspector; Octave Andry, Clerk.

Eleventh Precinct—At Orleans coffee-house, Orleans street. C. Ogier, Inspector; A. Dejan, Clerk.

Twelfth Precinct—At Altman's coffee-house, Orleans street. P. Deverges, Inspector; L. Courcelle, Clerk.

Thirteenth Precinct—At Engine House No. 4. F. Correjolles, Inspector; J. Dufour, Clerk.

Fourteenth Precinct—At coffee-house corner Bayou Road and St. Claude streets. Henry Guyol, Inspector; John Baron, Clerk.

Fifteenth Precinct—Public School, Greatmen street. A. B. Farge, Inspector; A. Carraby, Clerk.

Sixteenth Precinct—School House, Breton Market. A. Viavant, Inspector; P. Casenave, Clerk.

Seventeenth Precinct—At Washington Hotel, Milneburg. A. O'Neil, Inspector; John Jacobs, Clerk.

Eighteenth Precinct—At Engine House No. 8. J. McLean, Inspector; J. B. Hernandez, Clerk.

Nineteenth Precinct—At Mexican Gulf Railroad Depot. Geo. Hooper, Inspector; Alfred Ducros, Clerk.

Twentieth Precinct—At M. Gare's, corner of Montegut and Royal streets. F. Daubert, Inspector; R. Winn, Clerk.

Twenty-first Precinct—At Chenneville House. J. Charbonet, Inspector; R. Bachemin, Clerk.

Twenty-second Precinct, (Tenth Ward.)—Court-house, Fourth District. W. C. Terrell, Inspector; Wm. Gilmore, Clerk.

Twenty-third Precinct, (Eleventh Ward)—Chalmette Fire Company, Fourth District. G. Auch, Inspector; Robt. Smith, Clerk.

The following resolutions passed by the Board of Assistant Aldermen were read twice and concurred in, the rules being suspended.

A resolution authorizing the payment of $70 to Dr. D. M. Dowler.

A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into contracts with Messrs. J. Ahern, James Walsh, Thos. Hennessy, Pat Flynn, B. S. Byrne, D. S. Dewees and E. D. White.

A resolution authorizing Cook, Young & Co., to erect a steam engine on their premises.

A resolution directing the withdrawal of the suit against P. J. Cockburn.

A resolution granting L. P. Catelin leave to erect a temporary pavilion on Canal street.

A resolution prohibiting the firing of crackers in the streets of the city.

The following resolution adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen was concured in with an amendment:

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and is hereby, requested to call on Mr. Hugh Grant to deliver up forthwith, the plan books of the late city of Lafayette, whether said books are finished or unfinished.

Mr. Burke offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

"And upon refusal, that the City Attorney proceed against said Grant's securities."

The following resolutions adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen were concurred in with an amendment, the rules being suspended:

Resolutions increasing the police force.

Authorizing the procuring and repairing of caps and rattles.

Providing for the erection of a new bell at the Robin street Station House.

Authorizing the repair of the Recorder's office, Third District.

The first of the above resolutions, viz:

Resolved, That his honor the Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to increase the police force of this city thirty men, to be located in the First District, was amended on motion of Mr. Clark, by striking out the words "to be located in the First District"

A resolution adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, authorizing sale of contract for Banquette on Josephine street and Felicity Road, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

And a resolution compelling the removal of the Tallow Factory in Fourth street, Fourth District, was referred to the Committee on Police.

The yeas and nays being called on the concurrence in the following resolution adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, resulted as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Lugenbuhl and Clark—2.

Nays—Messrs. Burke, Converse, Gasquet, Harris, Labatut and Sewell—6.

The resolution was consequently not concurred in.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay on the warrant of the Comptroller to John McVittie the sum of $2257 30 for work done on the Bienville and Robertson streets School, the Claiborne street School and the St. Anne street School, in the Second District.

The following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, on motion, were not concurred in:

A resolution authorizing the payment of $948 to John McVittie.

A resolution authorizing the payment of $852 to John McVittie.

The following message was read:

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14, 1852.

To the Hon. President and Members of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New Orleans:

GENTLEMEN—Herewith I transmit to your honorable Board a resolution passed this day by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, relative to the selling of the revenue of the oyster boats, in which your concurrence is respectfully invited.

Very respectfully,
your obedient servant,
WALTER H. PETERS, Secretary.

The resolutions relative to the selling of the revenue on oyster boats were read twice and concurred in, the rules being suspended.

The following message was read:

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN, NEW ORLEANS, November 23, 1852.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I hereaith beg to hand you the following ordinance, in which you are respectfully invited to concur, viz:

On ordinance concerning the Fire Department of the City of New Orleans, and providing for its support," (being a substitute for the ordinance passed by your honorable body under the same title, on the 28th of May last.)

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
WALTER H. PETERS, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the ordinance from the Board of Assistant Aldermen concerning the Fire Department of the city of New Orleans and providing for its support, was made the order of the day for the next meeting.

The following message was read:

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN, NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14, 1852.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I beg to hand you the following resolutions, passed by your honorable body, and notify you of the concurrence therein by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, viz:

A resolution authorizing the Surveyor to prepare a plan and specifications of a brick building to be erected on the square where the new House of Refuge is located.

A resolution extending the time for the completion of the contract of Thomas Hynes.

A resolution to rescind the judgment against D. T. Donovan (with an amendment.)

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
WALTER H. PETERS, Secretary.

The Board, on motion, concurred in the amendment from the Board of Assistant Aldermen to the resolution "to rescind the judgment against D. T. Donovan."

The Board of Assistant Aldermen amended by striking out the word "rescind" and substituting "enter satisfaction of."

The following message was read:

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN, NEW ORLEANS, November 30, 1852.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—Herewith I beg to hand you the following resolutions passed by this Board, in which you are respectfully invited to concur, viz:

A resolution authorizing the payment of two hundred dollars to J. L. Turgeau and one hundred dollars to Thos. Hunton.

A resolution (No. 646) authorizing the payment of sundry claims.

A resolution authorizing the employment of a clerk by the Wharfinger of the First District.

A resolution granting permission to Homes & Bennett to erect a blacksmith shop and foundry on the corner of Benton and Euphrosyne streets.

A resolution authorizing the contract with Jno. Purcell, for sidewalks on Nunns street.

A resolution authorizing the sale of the contract for plank sidewalks on Josephine street; for brick sidewalks on Ellen street; for a plank road on Euphrosyne street, and brick sidewalks on Jersey street.

A resolution authorizing the contract with P. Fox, for square block paving on Annunciation street.

A resolution authorizing the Street Commissioner to place a lamp on the corner of Josephine and Howard streets.

A resolution to sell the contract for brick sidewalks around the public ground on Claiborne street.

A resolution relative to the deposit of salt on the Levee.

A resolution authorizing the payment of five hundred and forty-six dollars and sixty-three cents to G. B. Duncan, for taxed costs, etc., in case of Mrs. Myra Clarke Gaines vs. Relf, Chew and others, and authorizing the Attorney to proceed against the said M. C. Gaines to recover said amount.

A resolution authorizing the repair of the roof of the Court-house.

A resolution authorizing repairs to the Hospitals of the Second District Prison.

A resolution to improve the Clerk's office of the Second District Court.

A resolution appropriating three thousand dollars to the House of Refuge.

A resolution fixing the commencement of the salaries of the employees of the Work-house.

A resolution fixing the salaries of the officers of the temporary asylum for the insane.

I am very respectfully, your ob't serv't,
WALTER H. PETERS, Secretary.

The following resolutions adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen were read twice and concurred in, the rules being suspended:

A resolution authorizing the payment of two hundred dollars to G. L. Turgeau and one hundred dollars to Thos. Hunton.

A resolution authorizing the employment of additional counsel by the Finance Committee.

A resolution granting permission to Homes & Bennett to erect a blacksmith shop and foundry on the corner of Benton and Euphrosyne streets.

A resolution authorizing contract with John Purcell, for sidewalks on Nunna street.

A resolution authorizing the contract with P. Fox, for square block paving in Annunciation street.

A resolution authorizing the Street Commissioner to place a lamp on the corner of Josephine and Howard streets.

A resolution relative to the deposit of salt on the Levee.

A resolution authorizing the payment of five hundred and forty-six dollars and sixty-three cents to G. B. Duncan, for taxed costs, etc., in the case of Mrs. M. C. Gaines vs. Relf, Chew and others, and authorizing the City Attorney to proceed against Mrs. M. C. Gaines to recover said amount.

A resolution authorizing the repair of the roof of the Court-house.

A resolution authorizing improvements to Clerk's office, Second District Court.

A resolution fixing the commencement of the salaries of the officers of the Work-house.

A resolution authorizing the payment of sundry claims (No. 646) adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, was concurred in by the following vote, the rules being suspended:

Yeas—Messrs. Burke, Clark, Converse, Harris, Labatut, Lugenbuhl and Sewell—7.

Nay—Mr. Gasquet—1.

A resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen authorizing the employment of a Clerk by the Wharfinger of the First District, was, on motion, laid on the table, and

A resolution to sell contract for plank sidewalks on Josephine street, brick sidewalks on Ellen street, plank road on Euphrosyne street, and brick sidewalks on Jersey street—was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

Mr. Lugenbuhl moved to refer to the Committee on Streets and Landings the resolution adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen to sell the contract for brick sidewalks around the public ground on Claiborne street.

Yeas—Messrs. Clark, Gasquet, Labatut and Lugenbuhl—4.

Nays—Messrs. Burke, Converse, Harris and Sewell—4.

The Chair having voted in the affirmative, the motion was carried, and the resolution was referred to the above committee.

The following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, were referred to the Committee on Work-house and Prisons:

A resolution authorizing repairs to the Hospitals of the Second District Prison.

A resolution appropriating three thousand dollars to the House of Refuge.

The following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, were read:

Resolved, That the salary of the Superintendent of the Temporary Asylum for the Insane be hereby established at the rate of seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum, to take effect from the first of September last.

Resolved, That the Mayor be hereby authorized to appoint one male assistant at a salary of thirty dollars per month, and one female assistant at a salary of twenty dollars per month, to aid in the superintendence of the Temporary Asylum for the Insane.

Mr. Sewell offered the following substitute, which, together with the above resolutions, were made the order of the day for the next meeting:

Resolved, That the office of Superintendent of the Temporary Asylum for the Insane, be abolished, and that W. H. Waters, the present Keeper of the Police Jail, be allowed thirty dollars per month for an Assistant, to take care of said insane, with the aid of such men and women from the Work-house as the Committee on Work-house and Prisons may find necessary.

The following message was read:

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN, NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14, 1852.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—Herewith I beg to hand you the following ordinances and resolutions, passed by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in which you are respectfully invited to concur, to-wit:

An ordinance against Keno or Loto.

An ordinance defining the fire limits.

An ordinance to establish a uniform rate of taxes and licenses on professions and callings, and on carriages, hacks, drays and other vehicles.

A resolution (No. 685) authorizing the payment of sundry accounts.

A resolution authorizing the unconditional release from jail of Page Patterson, a f. m. c.

A resolution accepting the resignation of Assistant Alderman J. Lamats, and providing for filling the vacancy occasioned thereby.

A resolution to cancel the bonds of H. W. Westholtz.

A resolution to pay Recorder Seuzeneau two hundred dollars for the expense of correcting the assessment rolls of the Third District.

A resolution to pay L. Castera, Jr., two hundred and thirty-two dollars for correcting the assessment rolls of the Second District.

A resolution authorizing the sale of all the old wrought, cast and scrap iron belonging to the city, out of use.

A resolution for the erection of lamps in the Fourth District.

A resolution to sell the contract for running the draining machine in the Fourth District.

A resolution to sell the contract for laying the square block pavement on Tchoupitoulas street, from Race street to the upper limits of the First District.

A resolution approving the contract sold to John Paul, for repairs to the House of Neptune Fire Company No. 4.

A resolution allowing a monthly allowance of ten dollars, for six months, to Mrs. Mary Powell, Mary Ann Smith, Mrs. Vallmer and Barbary Keiser.

A resolution relative to the lunacy of Jno. F. Fussing.

A substitute for the resolution of your honorable body, authorizing the Surveyor to settle the accounts of Thos. Hynes, for paving done on the Bayou Road.

A substitute for the resolution authorizing the Surveyor to repair the old office of the Wharfinger of the Second District.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
WALTER H. PETERS, Secretary.

An ordinance against Keno or Loto, passed by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, was, on motion, referred to the Police Committee.

An ordinance from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, defining the fire limits, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

A resolution (No. 685) adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, authorizing the payment of sundry accounts, was unanimously concured in.

A memorial was read of various proprietors of theatres in the city of New Orleans, praying the Board of Aldermen to withhold their concurrence in an ordinance adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, fixing the sum to be paid for theatre licenses to two hundred dollars, and to restrain the sum to be paid for license to the amount heretofore existing of one hundred dollars.

An ordinance to establish an uniform rate of taxes and licenses on professions, callings, and other business, and on carriages, hacks, drays and other vehicles, adopted by the Board of Astant Aldermen, was then taken up.

Article one was concurred in.

The second article was read as follows:

"A tax of two hundred and fifty dollars shall be levied annually on the following, viz: Every agent of a bank not incorporated by the State of Louisiana, engaged in buying and selling exchange for account of said foreign bank; every private banker, or person buying and selling bills of exchange as their principal business; every proprietor or lessee of a theatre or amphitheatre; every owner and keeper of a distillery of spirituous liquors."

Mr. Harris moved to amend by striking out the words "every proprietor or lessee of a theatre or amphitheatre."

The second article was adopted in its amended form.

Article thee was read as follows:

"All grog-shops, taverns, cabarets, coffee-houses or bar-rooms, pleasure-gardens, cockpits, or other establishments whatever wherein spirituous liquors are sold in retail in less quantities than by the bottle or pint, shall be divided into three classes, to be designated "first class," "second class," and "third class;" to the first class shall be fixed an annual tax of five hundred dollars; to the second class an annual tax of three hundred dollars; and to the third class an annual tax of one hundred and fifty dollars. All persons pursuing any of the avocations specified in this section shall file their application for license with the Treasurer, to be submitted to the Finance Committee, and the said committee shall assign the several applications to that class to which they may properly belong, *and report to the Council for its approval*, and after such assignments *and approval by the Council*, the Treasurer shall issue the licenses in accordance therewith."

Mr. Clark moved to amend by striking out the words "and report to the Council for its approval," and the words "and approval by the Council."

The third section in its amended form was concurred in.

The fourth section was concurred in.

The fifth section was read as follows:

"A tax of one hundred dollars shall be levied annually upon the following, viz:

"Every rectifier of spirituous liquors.

"Every keeper of a cock-pit in which no spirituous liquors or wines are sold.

"Every keeper of a grocery, confectionery shop or store, in which spirituous liquors are sold by quantities not less than a bottle or pint.

"Every dealer in or vendor of patent medicines or nostrums.

"Every pawn-broker, money-broker, dealer in uncurrent money or in gold or silver bullion or gold dust."

Mr. Harris moved to amend by adding "every proprietor or lessee of a theatre or amphitheatre," and the fifth section in its amended form, was concurred in.

The sixth section was concurred in.

The seventh section was concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs Burke, Clark, Converse, Gasquet, Harris, Labatut and Sewell.

Nay—Mr. Lugenbuhl.

The eighth section was concurred in.

The ninth section was concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs Burke, Clark, Converse, Gasquet, Harris, Labatut and Sewell.

Nays—Mr. Lugenbuhl.

The tenth section was concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Clark, Burke, Converse, Gasquet, Harris, Labatut and Sewell.

Nay—Mr. Lugenbuhl.

The eleventh section was concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Clark, Burke, Converse, Gasquet, Harris, Labatut and Sewell.

Nay—Mr. Lugenbuhl.

Sections twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen and seventeen, were successively concurred in.

Section 18 was read as follows:

"Each and every agency of a foreign insurance office doing business in the city of New Orleans, shall pay the annual tax in advance of one per cent. on the amount of their premiums; provided that the amount of premiums, as ascertained by their last annual statement, shall be the basis of payment."

Mr. Clark moved to amend by adding, "and provided that no office shall pay an annual tax of less than $200."

The eighteenth section, as amended, was concurred in.

Sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33 were successively adopted, and the ordinance as amended was concurred in.

On motion the Board adjourned, to meet on Tuesday, 21st December, 1852, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

CHS. CLAIBORNE, Secretary.

MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18, 1852.
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS.

No. 488.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the following sums on the warrant of the Comptroller, viz:

To G. Laroque Turgeau, for services rendered as Secretary of the late Third Municipality Council, two hundred dollars.

To Thomas Hunton, for professional services in the suit of H. Parish et al. vs. Municipality No. 2, one hundred dollars.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 489.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the following sums on the warrant of the Comptroller, to-wit:

To P. McCormick, for seven loads of white sand, seven dollars.

To steamboat Union, for towing dredge machine, fifteen dollars.

W. Hopkins, for sundry keys and repairs to locks of City Hall, seven dollars and twenty-five cents.

To L. A. St. Ceran, for contingent expenses for Mayor's office, five dollars and fifty-five cents.

To Washington Artillery, for firing minute guns in honor of the late Daniel Webster, eighty-six dollars and twenty cents.

To John Hayman & Co., for lime purchased by the Street Commissioner, thirty-four dollars and fifty cents.

To E. A. Michel, for contingent expenses of the Board of Aldermen, three dollars and twenty-five cents.

To Joseph Jacob, for repairing stove, Wharfinger's office, Third District, eight dollars.

To John Younce, for cab hire, etc., eight dollars and thirty cents.

To E. Braun, for coal furnished Mayor's and Recorder's offices, Second District, seven dollars and fifty cents.

To the Delta, for three months subscription by the Recorder's office, Second District, two dollars and fifty cents.

To the Orleanian, for advertising notices of election, one hundred and ten dollars.

To John Bartchy, for chairs for Recorder's office, Fourth District, seven dollars.

To Jas. Nimick, for thirty barrels coal for City Hall, etc., twenty-two dollars and fifty cents.

To Widow Schubert, for three months' rent of Watch-house, corner of Annunciation and Robin street, one hundred and twenty dollars.

To Magdalene Dulman, for one months' board of blind girl, Magdalene Eichant, ten dollars.

To Leon Lavigne, for property taken from him for the opening of St. Philip and Ursuline streets, as per judgment Second District Court, thirty-four hundred dollars.

To Antoine Piernas, for property taken from him for the opening of St. Philip and Ursuline streets, as per judgment Second District Court, five hundred and forty dollars.

To Louis U. and Catherine Laroche, for property taken from them for the opening of St. Philip and Ursuline streets, as per judgment Second District Court, twenty-eight hundred dollars.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 485.

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be, and they are hereby, empowered to employ additional counsel in investigating the claim of J. H. Maddox, for printing.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 486.

Resolved, That Messrs. Homes & Bennett be, and they are hereby, authorized to erect a blacksmith shop and foundry upon a lot of ground forming the corner of Benton and Euphrosyne streets, provided said shop and foundry be constructed so as not to conflict with existing ordinances, the chimneys to be at least forty feet high, and the works to be subject to the approval of the Surveyor.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 487.

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter into the necessary contract with John Purcell, principal, and S. H. Peck, security, for the construction of sidewalks on Nuns street, from Tchoupitoulas to Religious street, at one dollar and ten cents per running foot, work to be done in accordance with specifications under which the sale was made.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 488.

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter into the necessary contract with Patrick Fox, principal, and D. Falvey, security for laying down the square block pavement of Annunciation street. The work to be done and payments made as per specifications on file in the Surveyor's Department.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 489.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby authorized to have a lamp placed at the corner of Howard and Josephine streets.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 490.

Resolved, That under the direction of the Wharfingers, the article of salt may be, and the same is hereby, permitted to remain on the Levee in such places between the wharves as said Wharfingers may designate, for a period of not more than fifteen days, under a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, per day for every day thereafter it so remains, recoverable before any court of competent jurisdiction.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 491.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, to G. B. Duncan, Esq., in full payment of the taxed costs in the Supreme Court of the United States, in the case of Mrs. Gaines vs. Relf, Chew and others, advanced by the said G. B. Duncan, the sum of five hundred and forty-six dollars and sixty-three cents.

Resolved, That the City Attorney take the necessary steps to recover from Mrs. Gaines and her securities, the sum of five hundred and forty-six dollars and sixty-three cents, being amount of taxed costs advanced in the case of Mrs. Gaines vs. Chew, Relf and others, in the Supreme Court of the United States.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 492.

Resolved, That the Committee on Prisons and court houses be and is hereby, authorized to have such repairs made to the roof of the court-house as may be necessary, the cost of such repairs to be deducted from the rents due the Wardens of the church of St. Louis for said building.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 493.

Resolved, That the keeper of the court-house be, and is hereby, authorized to have the necessary improvements made to the clerk's office of the Second District Court, provided the cost of the same does not exceed seventy-five dollars.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 494.

Resolved, That the salaries of such officers of the city work-house as were employed prior to the passage of the ordinance for the government of that institution be, and are hereby, declared to commence from the twelfth day of April last.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 495.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay to Dr. M. Dowler, on the warrant of the Comptroller, the sum of seventy dollars for medical attendance on sundry watchmen who were wounded whilst in the discharge of their duties, as per bills rendered.

[Signed] FRANS. ALPUENTE, President Board of Assistant Aldermen.
[Signed] WM. C. C. CLAIBORNE, President Board of Aldermen.
Approved Dec. 18, 1852.
[Signed] A. D. CROSSMAN, Mayor.

No. 496.

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter into the following contracts, the work to be performed and payments made in accordance with the specifications by which the several contracts were sold:

1. With John Ahern, principal, and Messrs. J. H. Carter & Co. and Wm. O'Brien, securities, for lighting all the oil lamps in the First District for one year, at the rate of twenty-nine dollars per lamp.

2. With James Walsh, principal, and Messrs. John Moore and G. Brickman, securities, for lighting all the oil lamps in the Third District for one year, at the rate of twenty dollars per lamp.

3. With Thomas Hennessy, principal, and Messrs. J. G. Collins, R. L. Murphy, John Wolf, James Walsh and E. Agnaud, securities, for lighting all the oil lamps in the Fourth District for one year, at the rate of twenty-three dollars per lamp.

4. With Patrick Flynn, principal, and Patrick Irwin, security, for cleaning the paved and unpaved and repairing the unpaved streets of the Fourth District for one year, as follows: First contract, Tenth Ward of the city, for the sum of $2,900; second contract, Eleventh Ward of the city, for the sum of 2,400 per annum.

5. With P. L. Byrne, principal, and Patrick Irwin, security, for attending the four bridges across the Canal Carondelet for one year, for the sum of seven hundred and ninety-nine dollars.

6. With D. S. Dewees, principal, and H. Lamb, security, for supplying P