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FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 24, 1868.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

CHAS. T. NASH, broker, at 11 o'clock A. M., at salesroom corner N. Charles and Perdido, furniture.

MONTGOMERY BROS. & CO., at 11 A. M., at Paul Laver's stable, Gravelier street, horses, mules, etc.

(OFFICIAL)

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

REGULAR SESSION.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, July 21, 1868.

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Walker, Pemberton, Fisher, Pandoly, Wynne, Farrell and Breen.

On motion of Mr. Farrell, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

Mr. Farrell moved for a suspension of the rules to introduce the subject resolution, which was read and adopted, and on motion transmitted to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be requested to meet this board in joint session at 9 o'clock to-night, for the purpose of electing a clerk of the City Workhouse.

The foregoing resolution was returned by the upper board so amended as to fix the hour of meeting in joint session at 9 o'clock, instead of 10. The amendment was concurred in and the upper board so notified.

Mr. Sturcken here entered and took his seat. The treasurer's report for the 13th, 14th and 15th July, 1868, showing: receipts \$60,252 22, expenditures \$13,267 67, balance on hand \$131,529 14, bills receivable on hand in vault \$306,662 51, notes passed due \$39,674 24—was referred to the finance committee.

The treasurer's report for the 16th, 17th and 18th July, 1868, showing balance from late treasurer's report \$131,529 14; receipts \$19,571 53; expenditures none; balance on hand \$131,407 17, was referred to the finance committee.

The controller's statement for the week ending July 21, 1868, showing checks drawn by the treasurer on Mechanics and Traders' Bank \$69,105 58, was referred to the committee on finance.

The following communication from the city surveyor was read and referred to the streets and landings committee:

Surveyor's Office, Room No. 19 City Hall, City of New Orleans, July 21, 1868.

Gentlemen—Having been requested to report upon the petition of property holders on Peters and Clay streets, asking for the construction of new banquette, I find, by some oversight, their petition was only been published in the English language, instead of French and English, as section 120 of the city charter requires.

Consequently a new publication of said petition must be ordered by the controller. The commissary of the Magazine Market has informed me that the gutter valleys said market are leaking badly; that also, the flagging of the sidewalk is in bad order, and also, the fire-plugs within said market.

The sewerage market house is also reported as being in a very leaky condition and otherwise out of order. I remain, respectfully, your obedient servant, L. SCURT, City Surveyor.

The subjoined resolution from the upper board was read and adopted in its several readings, with the following vote: Yeas—Messrs. Kearny, Rose, Aitkens, Walker, Pemberton, Sturcken, Fisher, Pandoly, Wynne, Farrell and Breen. Nays—None.

Resolved, That the controller warrant on the treasurer for the sum of nineteen hundred and fifty three dollars twelve cents (\$1953 12) in favor of A. D. Greff, agent, for extra and cattle purchased through J. F. Belknap, under ordinance No. 608, in 1862, to supply the suffering people of New Orleans.

The following resolution from the upper board was read and referred to the finance committee:

FINANCE COMMITTEE ROOM, No. 23 City Hall, New Orleans, July 21, 1868.

Gentlemen—Your committee beg leave to report as follows on the different subjects referred to them:

1. On the resolution providing that all city money or coupons hereafter received into the city treasury be canceled by clipping, as done by banks in the case of checks. Favorably.

2. On the petition of Gabriel Favagny offering to pay \$50 per month for the lease of the Claiborne market. Unfavorably.

The committee are of opinion this market should be leased in the usual way, by an adjudication of the controller to the highest bidder. The necessary resolution is offered.

3. On the communication of the city attorney in reference to the suits of the Carondelet Canal and Navigation Company vs. the City of New Orleans, with copies of judgment attached. The committee would report that they have carefully examined the matter, had frequent interviews with the lessee, Mr. Louis Gagnet, and have, with the advice of the city attorney, entered into an arrangement which is fully explained by two reports heretofore submitted and submitted to your approval. Their adoption by the council would satisfactorily settle the whole matter at issue. The completion of this arrangement would do away with the necessity of that part of the proposed bill race between the Beauville craning machine and Orleans street, and in such a case the committee would recommend that the contract of John P. Hunt, when reported for approval, be so modified as to cause the contemplated work to begin at the Bayou St. John Orleans street, and to extend to the Metairie bridge or beyond.

Respectfully submitted, T. F. FISHER, Chairman Finance Committee, R. WYNN, ALFRED KEARNEY, JOHN BREEN.

The following report from the committee on streets and landings was received:

COMMITTEE OF STREETS AND LANDINGS, BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN, City Hall, July 21, 1868.

To the Honorable Board of Assistant Aldermen: Gentlemen—Your committee have the honor to report upon the following subjects referred to them, viz:

Upon the petition of property holders and residents on Gravier street, between Baronne and Circus streets, complaining of the condition of their banquette whenever there is rain, rendering it impossible for the residents of that locality to reach their homes for hours, your committee find, upon examination of that portion of Gravier street, and in fact in all the portion of the city extending from Canal street to Julia street, and from Baronne to Claiborne street, nearly all too low and below the crown of the gutter built in front of their property, in conformity with section 120 of the city charter, and that said petition be presented in the month of October.

Resolved, That the board of assistants be authorized to sell, after five days notice in the official journal, to the lowest bidder or bidders, contracts for repairing and keeping in repairs of the paved streets of the different wards, to-wit: first, second, third, fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth and eleventh wards, for three years, bids to be so much per year, payable in United States treasury notes, as follows: for the first ward, \$100,000; for the second ward, \$100,000; for the third ward, \$100,000; for the fourth ward, \$100,000; for the fifth ward, \$100,000; for the seventh ward, \$100,000; for the eighth ward, \$100,000; for the ninth ward, \$100,000; for the tenth ward, \$100,000; for the eleventh ward, \$100,000.

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Resolved, That the bond of Joseph Murphy, as street commissioner, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, with Edward Rigby as security, be and the same is hereby accepted and approved. The following resolution from the upper board was read and unanimously adopted in its several readings:

Resolved, That the city surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to grade and macadamize Calipso street, between Rampart and Magnolia streets, using for the purpose the road stone to be broken up by the lumette of the City Workhouse.

Mr. Sturcken offered the following resolution, which was referred to the committee on streets and landings:

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legal representatives or assigns, of establishing floating baths in the river, opposite the Second District, in this city and said district only. Provided, That the cost of bathing shall not exceed ten cents for each person bathing; and provided, That the baths are adequately constructed and equipped with due deference to morals, decorum and the public safety; the whole subject to the approval of the city surveyor.

Be it further ordained, That in consideration of the general utility of such baths, the city surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to grant exemption from the usual wharfage dues while engaged in conducting said floating baths, which will be from the 15th of May to the 15th of September of each year, and then only.

The following resolutions, on motion of Mr. Camp, laid over subject to call:

Resolved, That all city money or coupons hereafter received into the treasury shall be canceled by clipping, as done by banks in the case of checks, and the canceled shall be done at the moment of receiving said bills or coupons, in the presence of the person paying the same in, and before giving him a receipt therefor.

The following petitions, read by title, were referred to the committee on streets and landings:

The petition of property holders on Julia street, between Galvez and Broad streets, asking that a ditch on Julia street be filled and graded.

The petition of Salvador D. Amico, praying for a lease of the neutral ground in front of Poydras Market.

The petition of Joseph Kerns, praying that the privilege to run a ferry from the Port Market to Algiers, granted to Randolph & Wood, be continued in his favor.

The petition of D. N. Greenleaf, agent of Mississippi Valley Transportation Company, praying for relief from extra wharfage tax on empty barges of \$5 per day, showing that the company pay 10 cents per ton on all barges arriving at the port for five days; the tug only arriving once in seven days, make it impossible to get the empty barges away in the space of five days.

The petition of property holders residing in the suburban portion of the First District, on Common, Perdido, Gravier and other streets, praying that bridges be constructed over the gutters in that vicinity.

The following petitions were read by title and referred to the finance committee:

The petition of police officer Wm. McCann, asking for pay claimed to be due him for the month ending July 31, 1868.

The petition of Louis Abadie, lessee of Le Breton Market, praying that his contract be annulled.