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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Regular Session.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, March 17, 1868.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President. The roll was called, and the following Aldermen answered to their names:

President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Stapleton, Dumas and Woolley.

Dr. George Kellogg appeared and took his seat as Alderman, in the place of C. Schneider resigned.

The minutes were read and adopted.

The following communications from Headquarters Fifth Military District, were received and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans La., March 13, 1868.

Special Orders No. 77.

(Extract.)

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2. George Kellogg is hereby appointed a member of the Board of Aldermen of the city of New Orleans, vice C. Schneider, resigned.

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Upon accepting these appointments the above named persons will forward to these headquarters a copy of the oath prescribed by law.

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By command of Major-General Hancock:
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II. It is further ordered that all state notes now in the treasury, or received for taxes or dues after this date, shall be immediately destroyed by the treasurer, in presence of the governor and auditor of the state.

III. Whenever, under special orders No. 40, a sufficient sum shall have been collected to satisfy the purposes expressed in said order, and for the period specified therein, any further receipts into the treasury may be applied to the liquidation of other obligations imposed by said order, as if the same had not been issued.

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE.

The following message from the Mayor was received and so much thereof as refers to the complaints of shippers was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, 12th Day of March, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—It becomes my duty to inform you that numerous complaints have been made by the owners of ships lying in the first and second districts of damage done to them by steamboats in coming near to them while passing up the river. I therefore recommend to you the passage of an ordinance imposing a penalty of one hundred dollars upon the master of any steamboat who runs his steamer within one hundred yards of the shipping.

I have called the attention of your honorable Board to this matter before, but in consequence of the changes that have taken place in the Council recently it has not received that immediate attention to which the urgency of the case is entitled.

I have communicated to the lower Board a proposition to sell the use of the stalls in all the markets in the city for a period of fifteen years to the highest bidders, as a means of relieving the city from its financial embarrassments, a subject which I deemed of so much importance as to justify my calling a special meeting of your Board to-night.

Very respectfully,
E. HEATH, Mayor.

The following message from the Mayor was received, and made the special order of the day for next regular session:

MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, 11th day of March, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith without my signature a resolution amendatory of a resolution reported by the Finance Committee on the fourteenth day of January, 1868, in compliance with section one hundred and twenty-four of the city charter, estimating the probable receipts and expenditures of New Orleans for the year ending December 31, 1868. I respectfully call your attention to the nineteenth section of the city charter, which provides that "No ordinance levying a tax, making an appropriation exceeding $500, shall be passed except by a majority of the members elected in each Board."

This ordinance received but four affirmative votes, and is therefore illegal.

For this reason, and because of the increase, I feel it my duty to withhold my signature. Very respectfully,
E. HEATH, Mayor.

The following message from the Mayor, with the inclosed report of the Commissioners of the Second Draining District, was received:

MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, February 26, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of the commissioners of the second draining district in respect to their operations for the year 1867, for your information.

Very respectfully,
E. HEATH, Mayor.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS SECOND DRAINING DIST., New Orleans, February 1, 1868.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council of New Orleans:

In accordance with the requirements of the sixth section of an act of the Legislature, No. 74, approved February 24, 1861, the Commissioners of the Second Draining District have the honor to report the following statement of their operations for 1867, to wit:

By cash on hand per last report	$6,829 15
Amount received from property holders for assessments per sup. Rect	72,222 84
Amount received for interest on loans	1,562 30
Cash on hand January 1, 1868	2,915 67
	$83,529 95
Paid on draining machine account	17,102 50
Paid on Fourteenth Street Canal account	17,402 35
Paid on upper free street	1,603 60
Paid for two squares ground for draining machine location	637 50
Paid on ditching account	93 00
Paid commissions to collector of drainage bills	755 28
Paid on plans and tableaux account	452 50
Paid for advertising	16 00
Paid for office expenses, rent, etc	604 37
Paid for stationery	79 20
Paid for law charges	400 00
Paid for salaries of secretary, commissioners	4,369 66
	$43,615 15
To work done to date in the Melpomene canal, 5270 feet in length, costing	$7,497 22
Claiborne canal, 17,054 feet in length, costing	47,153 34
Dublin canal, 5688 feet in length, costing	20,054 86
Peters Avenue canal, 2700 feet in length, costing	10,825 40
Toledano canal, 10,500 feet in length, costing	5,574 90
Nashville Avenue canal, 4000 feet in length, costing	1,822 78
Fourteenth Street canal, 5019 feet in length, costing	17,482 20
Upper Line canal, 350 feet in length, costing	1,050 40
Cost of 31,213 lineal feet, nearly ten miles	111,398 50
Cost of the draining machine on	
Cost of the draining machine on Carrollton avenue to date	26,100 24
	$137,498 74

Respectfully submitted,
MOSES CASTMAN, President.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

The following communications from the Board of Directors of Public Schools were received:

OFFICE OF BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS, No. 30 Burgundy Street, New Orleans, March 6, 1868.

To the Hon. Board of Aldermen of the Common Council of New Orleans:

GENTLEMEN—I am instructed to furnish your honorable body with the inclosed copy of resolutions, adopted by the "Board of Directors of Public Schools of New Orleans" at a meeting held on the fourth instant.

Very respectfully,
EUG. DESDUNES, Secretary,
Board of Public Schools, New Orleans.

RESOLUTIONS:

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Public Schools of New Orleans, held on the 4th instant, the following resolutions were adopted, to wit:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board, as representing the interests of the Public Schools of the city of New Orleans, are due to his honor Mayor Heath, and to the Common Council of the city for their action in restoring the appropriation for the support of the Public Schools during the current year to an amount which will enable the Board, in the exercise of the strictest economy, to continue the system which has hitherto proved successful.

Resolved, That this Board pledges itself to a judicious and economical disbursement of the funds so appropriated, and to continued efforts to promote the efficiency and usefulness of our noble system of public education.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to his honor the Mayor, and the two branches of the Common Council.

A true copy:
EUG. DESDUNES,
Secretary Board of Public Schools of New Orleans.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

The following resolutions were received for concurrence, and the following, under a suspension of the rules, passed their first and second readings, and were concurred in by the following votes:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to D. F. Bardon to build a baker's oven on the premises No. 41 St. Mary street, fourth district, provided the same be built in accordance with city laws and ordinances.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Clay, Dewees, Dumas, Carriere, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to Alfred W. J. Mason to erect a steam engine, boiler, etc., on the premises No. 109 New Levee street; provided the same be erected in accordance with the city laws and ordinances.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Clay, Carriere, Dewees, Dumas, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

Be it ordained, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby requested to take proper measures forthwith to get possession of all the plates on which any of the city bills have been printed, for the purpose of having the same destroyed in presence of the city officers whose duty it is to witness the destruction of city bills.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Dumas, Kellogg, and Woolley.

Nay: Mr. Stapleton.

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized, after ten days notice in the official journal, to adjudicate to the highest bidder the lease of the iron building at the head of Canal street for the term of two years.

The purchaser of the lease to furnish his eight several promissory notes for the price of the adjudication, payable at three, six, nine, twelve, fifteen, eighteen, twenty-one, and twenty-four months, dating from the execution of the contract, and indorsed to the satisfaction of the Finance Committee of the Common Council.

The said purchaser of the lease shall have the right to use said iron building for all lawful purposes, and he shall keep the building in a decent condition; the interior of the building to be arranged and improved by the lessee at his own expense.

The flagging of the banquette around the iron building to be made by the city of New Orleans.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dumas, Kellogg, and Woolley.

Nay: Mr. Stapleton.

The following were laid on the table subject to call:

Resolved, That the City Surveyor be, and he is hereby authorized to employ a sufficient force of men, not to exceed three hundred, to clean the draining canals of the city, the same to be hired upon the most economical terms.

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized to sell, after ten days notice in the official journal, to the lowest bidder, a contract for furnishing the city of New Orleans with 100,000 barrels lake shells; 10,000 barrels to be delivered per month, at such places upon the river bank as the City Surveyor may direct.

The following were concurred in upon their first reading:

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized, after five days notice in the official journal, to receive sealed proposals for furnishing fresh beef to the different institutions of the city from the date of the award and approval of the contract by the Common Council to the thirty-first day of December, 1868, in accordance with specifications by the City Surveyor, and subject to the approval of the Council.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby requested to state in his future reports the items, separately, composing his weekly balance.

The following was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings:

Be it resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby authorized to order the contractor for lighting the city with oil to erect lamps and light the same at the following designated places, viz: One on Jackson street, one on First street, one on Second street, one on Third street, one on Fourth street, one on Washington square, one on Lafayette square, and one on Josephine street, all at the intersection of these streets with the north side of Claiborne street.

PETITIONS.

1. Of Charles Laegre, Lewis Meig, and Meer and Louis Meig, complaining of house No. 226 Gallatin street, at Moreauly, of filthy and a nuisance, was referred to the Mayor.

2. Of Thomas Brosley, policeman, asking for pay during his illness, was referred to the Finance Committee.

3. Of Bernard Bussie, and fourteen others, asking for the suppression of the lessees of fags attached to certain market stalls, and

4. Of S. D. Maxwell, asking permission to keep billiards on the levee, were referred to the Committee of Streets and Landings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The following resolutions came up in regular order upon their second reading, and were adopted by the following votes:

Resolved, That the City Surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to level the protection levee, put the ditch in order in the vicinity of Harmony and St. Denis streets, and properly grade and ditch the roads where this levee has been built.

Yeas: President Graham; Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

Resolved, That section five of ordinance No. 815, new series, "to establish a uniform rate of taxes and licenses on professions, callings, and other business, etc.," for the year 1868, approved December 27, 1867, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows, viz: Every theatre, amphitheatre, opera house, or place used for public theatrical amusement, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Resolved, That Judge Henry D. Ogden be appointed and employed to represent the city of New Orleans in the suits now pending on appeal in the Supreme Court, and entitled, "The city praying for the opening of Cascalewa and Morena, otherwise called Royal and Chartres streets," and second "The city praying for the making of a new levee at the tobacco warehouse, in the third district."

Be it further resolved, That the Mayor of the city of New Orleans be and is hereby authorized and solicited to contract with Judge H. D. Ogden for his services in the above suits, provided that the fees do not exceed $500 for the first named suit, and $250 for the second named suit.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to the Canal and Claiborne streets railroad company, to repair and strengthen the bridge across Canal Carondelet at Claiborne street, under the direction of the City Surveyor, and to use the same for its railroad during the pleasure of the Common Council, the city reserving the right to require at any time the Common Council may direct the building of a new bridge at this point at the expense of the Canal and Claiborne streets railroad company, as required by the terms of the contract made between the city of New Orleans and said railroad company.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

The following being the order of the day was read twice under a suspension of the rules, and was concurred in by the following vote:

An Ordinance providing for the sale of the right of way to establish railroads on Canal and Rampart streets, St. Philip, Marais, Morales, and other streets, for passengers only.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized to sell to the highest bidder after five days notice in the official journal, the contract for the right of way for twenty years for the construction and working of the following railroads on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth; said adjudication to be subject to the approval or rejection of the Common Council.

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SEC. 3. The roads, cars, etc., to be constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications to be furnished by the City Surveyor agreeable to the lines, levels, and grades to be established by said officer, and to his entire satisfaction.

SEC. 4. The right and privilege to be awarded to the party or parties offering to pay to the city the largest bonus per passenger carried in the cars, or per centage of the gross receipts for passenger traffic on the lines of railroads, payable monthly into the city treasury, on returns made under oath by the contractor to the City Controller.

SEC. 5. The city of New Orleans reserves the right to use the said railroads as a main trunk for other railroads which the city may from time to time order to be constructed by reimbursing to the contractor a fair and reasonable proportion of the value of the portion or portions of the road or roads thus used; said proportion to be ascertained by two disinterested persons, one to be appointed by the city, and the other by the contractor; and in the event of a disagreement between said persons an umpire shall be selected by one of the District Courts of New Orleans, the decision thereby had to be final.

SEC. 6. The said railroads, rolling stock, equipments, and fixtures to revert to the city at the expiration of said twenty years privilege, on a valuation to be ascertained by two disinterested persons, one to be appointed by the city, and the other by the contractor, and in the event of a disagreement as to said valuation between said persons thus appointed, a third person or umpire shall be appointed by one of the District Courts of New Orleans, the decision thereby had to be final.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Dumas, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

Mr. Clay called up from the table the following resolution, which, under a suspension of the rules, was read twice and concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Kellogg, and Stapleton.

Nays: None.

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized to employ one clerk, and if found necessary two clerks, for the purpose of signing licenses for the year 1868. Said clerk or clerks to receive a salary of one hundred dollars ($100) per month, and to be discharged as soon as their services shall be no further required.

An ordinance providing for the sale of the stalls, tables, and stands of the public markets for a term of ten years was received from the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence, and under a suspension of the rules was read twice and concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Dumas, Kellogg, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

(*For ordinance see proceedings Board of Assistant Aldermen.*)

The Board adjourned until Tuesday next at 7 P. M.

HUGH J. CAMPBELL,
Secretary.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

Regular Meeting.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, Tuesday, March 17, 1868.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Mr. W. T. Rogers, President; and Messrs. Sampson, Perkins, Mary, Thomas, Dunn, Straight, Sullivan and Sauvinet.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following documents from Headquarters were read, and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans, La., March 13, 1868.

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(Extract.)

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Mr. J. E. Scott entered and took his seat.

The following message from the Mayor, with accompanying documents, was received and referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings:

MAYORALTY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, 18th Day of March, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I transmit herewith a petition of citizens of New Orleans and property owners and residents near the city bridge at this point at the expense of the Canal and Claiborne streets railroad company, as required by the terms of the contract made between the city of New Orleans and said railroad company.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

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SEC. 4. The right and privilege to be awarded to the party or parties offering to pay to the city the largest bonus per passenger carried in the cars, or per centage of the gross receipts for passenger traffic on the lines of railroads, payable monthly into the city treasury, on returns made under oath by the contractor to the City Controller.

SEC. 5. The city of New Orleans reserves the right to use the said railroads as a main trunk for other railroads which the city may from time to time order to be constructed by reimbursing to the contractor a fair and reasonable proportion of the value of the portion or portions of the road or roads thus used; said proportion to be ascertained by two disinterested persons, one to be appointed by the city, and the other by the contractor; and in the event of a disagreement between said persons an umpire shall be selected by one of the District Courts of New Orleans, the decision thereby had to be final.

SEC. 6. The said railroads, rolling stock, equipments, and fixtures to revert to the city at the expiration of said twenty years privilege, on a valuation to be ascertained by two disinterested persons, one to be appointed by the city, and the other by the contractor, and in the event of a disagreement as to said valuation between said persons thus appointed, a third person or umpire shall be appointed by one of the District Courts of New Orleans, the decision thereby had to be final.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Dumas, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

Mr. Clay called up from the table the following resolution, which, under a suspension of the rules, was read twice and concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Kellogg, and Stapleton.

Nays: None.

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized to employ one clerk, and if found necessary two clerks, for the purpose of signing licenses for the year 1868. Said clerk or clerks to receive a salary of one hundred dollars ($100) per month, and to be discharged as soon as their services shall be no further required.

An ordinance providing for the sale of the stalls, tables, and stands of the public markets for a term of ten years was received from the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence, and under a suspension of the rules was read twice and concurred in by the following vote:

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Carriere, Clay, Dewees, Dumas, Kellogg, Stapleton, and Woolley.

Nays: None.

(*For ordinance see proceedings Board of Assistant Aldermen.*)

The Board adjourned until Tuesday next at 7 P. M.

HUGH J. CAMPBELL,
Secretary.

BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

Regular Meeting.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, Tuesday, March 17, 1868.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Mr. W. T. Rogers, President; and Messrs. Sampson, Perkins, Mary, Thomas, Dunn, Straight, Sullivan and Sauvinet.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following documents from Headquarters were read, and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans, La., March 13, 1868.

Special Orders No. 77.

(Extract.)

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2. George Kellogg is hereby appointed a member of the Board of Aldermen of the city of New Orleans, vice C. Schneider, resigned.

3. J. E. Scott is hereby appointed a member of the Board of Assistant Aldermen of the city of New Orleans, vice J. H. Oglesby, resigned.

Upon accepting these appointments, the above named persons will forward to these headquarters a copy of the oath prescribed by law.

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By command of Major General Hancock:
GEORGE L. HARTSUFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans, La., March 16, 1868.

(Extract.)

Special Orders No. 80.

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4.—1. Special orders No. 40, current series, from these headquarters, is not to be construed to apply to taxes or other public dues, previous to the year 1867, all of which taxes or other dues may be paid in state notes or warrants on the treasury of the state, issued under the laws of the state, including like warrants issued, or to be issued under said orders for this year.

II. It is further ordered, That all state notes now in the treasury, or received for taxes or dues after this date, shall be immediately destroyed by the Treasurer in presence of the Governor and Auditor of the state.

III. Whenever, under special orders No. 40, a sufficient sum shall have been collected to satisfy the purposes expressed in said order, and for the period specified therein, any further receipts into the treasury may be applied to the liquidation of other obligations imposed by said order, as if the same had not been issued.

IV. Paragraph four of special orders No. 40, current series, from these headquarters, is hereby revoked.

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By command of Major General Hancock:
GEORGE L. HARTSUFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans, La., March 17, 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 owners on Josephine street, between Apollo and Liberty streets, asking that the street be planked or shelled at the expense of the city, your committee would report that as the city took up and used the planks for repairs to wharves during the war, it is just that the loss sustained by the property owners who paid for this planking should be made good by the city. The use of this lumber by the city was a necessity at the time, and a great benefit. It would be right and just also for the property owners to pay some proportion of the cost of a new pavement, as the planks taken up by the city were partially worn out at the time they were so used. As the city finances are now in such an unsettled condition, were comment that action be deferred in the matter for the present. With the above modifications, we report favorably upon the petition, recommending that when the improvement is made the street be shelled instead of planked as before.

Upon the petition of property owners in the district between Claiborne and Melpomene streets, the new canal and Carrollton avenue, asking that the ditches of the streets in said district be opened, your committee would report at the present time unfavorably, for the reason that this district is at present wholly unimproved, and in the present condition of the city treasury expenditures must be confined to the most urgent necessities of those portions of the city that are improved and built up.

Upon the petition of property owners living in the vicinity of Galvez canal, between the New and Old basins, asking that the Galvez canal be filled up and the gutters made deeper to Broad street, your committee report unfavorably, for the following reasons, viz: The interests of the city require a great and radical change in the whole system of its drainage and draining canals, and these changes and improvements are likely to be made soon. It would be unwise to make temporary improvements, or to anticipate the great work which must soon be undertaken for the benefit of the whole city. The work proposed in this petition would necessitate a heavy expenditure at this time, when the city is not prepared for it, and would be only a temporary work.

F. W. PERKINS,
Chairman;
C. S. SAUVINET,
S. STRAIGHT.

The following ordinance from a committee on the whole of both Boards of the Common Council was then taken up.

Mr. Dunn moved that the sales of stalls, stands, etc., terminate within thirty days.

Passed its first reading.

Mr. Straight offered the following amendment to section five:

Provided, That the Mayor and Finance Committee be authorized to terminate the sales within thirty days whenever, in their opinion, the interests of the city shall require it.

Adopted.

Mr. Sullivan moved to amend section eight by striking out that part relating to the fees of the City Notary, fixing the same at fifty cents for each act of sale.

Mr. Sauvinet opposing the amendment of Mr. Sullivan, offered a resolution substantially the same as the one contained in the ordinance which underwent its several readings.

The ordinance was then adopted on its first reading, and the rules being suspended, passed its second reading by a unanimous vote (as a whole as follows, and was sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence:

An ordinance for the sale, for a term of ten years, of the use and occupation of the tables, stands, etc., in the several markets of the city of New Orleans:

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of New Orleans, That the stalls, tables, stands, and their appurtenances of the several markets of the city shall be offered for sale at public auction by the City Controller, under the supervision of the Mayor and chairmen of the Finance Committees of the Common Council, after an advertisement of ten days by the City Controller in the official journal, and by posters in the French, English, and German languages, to be posted at the markets and throughout the city, for a term of ten years from the first day of January, A. D. 1869, until the thirty-first day of December, A. D. 1878.

The use and occupation of the stalls, tables, stands, and their appurtenances in the several markets of the city of New Orleans, for the vending thereon of all such articles as are permitted to be sold at the various markets, and of the present ordinances of the city of New Orleans, the purchaser having the right to sell any or all of such articles on the same stall, table, or stand, as follows, to wit:

IN THE FIRST DISTRICT.

1. The Poydras market.
2. The St. Mary's market.

IN THE SECOND DISTRICT.

3. The Meat market.
4. The Vegetable market.
5. The Fruit market.
6. The Treme market.

IN THE THIRD DISTRICT.

7. The Port market.
8. The Washington market.
9. The St. Bernard market.
10. The Le Breton market.

IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT.

11. The Magazine market.
12. The Sarapuru market.
13. The Ninth street market.

The said sales to be for the term aforesaid, and to be made at said markets respectively, said sales to commence with the beef market, second district, and to be continued from day to day until the whole of said stalls are sold. Each stall, stand, or table with its appurtenances to be sold separately according to a list of said stalls, stands, and tables to be made by the City Surveyor, with the dimensions thereof respectively, as now fixed by the city ordinances, and the City Surveyor in accordance therewith; the said sale to be made to the highest bidder on the following terms and conditions: One-half cash in city notes, and the other half in a note of the purchaser indorsed to the satisfaction of the Chairmen of the Finance Committees, payable eighteen months after date of adjudication, with interest at eight per cent per annum from date until paid, each purchaser to have the right to pay the whole price of his adjudication in cash in city notes: Provided, The Mayor and Finance Committee be authorized within thirty days to terminate the sale whenever in their opinion the interest of the city shall requireth.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, That the amount of cash in city notes to be paid by each purchaser under this ordinance shall be by him deposited with the City Notary within three days after the adjudication, who shall from day to day deposit the same specially with the City Treasurer, who shall keep the same separate and apart from all other money in his possession, under the care and inspection of the Chairmen of the Finance Committees, which the said City Treasurer is hereby directed to do, and shall after the remuneration of the sale and the signing of the material act, when it shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to count and compare the city notes so deposited, and immediately thereafter to cause the same to be burned and destroyed by burning the same in the presence of the Mayor, the President of each Board of the Common Council, the Finance Committees, the City Treasurer, and Controller; a full report of which shall be made to the Common Council at its next meeting under the certificate of said officials, which shall be filed, and remain