CITY COUNCIL--OFFICIAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Regular Session.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, Tuesday, May 26, 1868.

The Board met at 7 P. M. and was called to order by the President.

Present: President Graham; and Messrs. Burbank, Dewees, Kellogg, Tucker, Zacharie, and Woolfey.

The minutes were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

The following, received for concurrence, was concurred in upon its first reading:

Resolved, That the City Surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to construct bridges across the Bread Street canal at Gravier and Perdido streets.

The following, which had originated in the Board of Aldermen, and been amended in the Board of Assistant Aldermen by striking out the words "city currency," was concurred in upon its first reading as amended:

Resolved, That the Controller be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer, in favor of Mr. Bernard Soulié, for nine hundred dollars, in full settlement of his claims.

The following lies over one week:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and is hereby invited to meet this Board in joint session for the purpose of electing a Collector of Levee Dues for the second and third districts, now vacant.

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

WHEREAS, Grave doubts exist as to the power of the city of New Orleans to enforce the payment of the unpaid taxes due this city for the years 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, and 1865 until the first of January, 1870, in consequence of the various acts of the Legislature postponing the collection of State and parochial taxes due until that period, which acts of the Legislature are construed by many persons to include the city taxes for those years; and

Whereas, One of the great sources of embarrassment of the city corporation arises from the non-collection of the taxes due the city for those years, amounting as they do to over three millions of dollars, therefore

Resolved, That a joint committee consisting of three members of this Board and two members of the Board of Aldermen be appointed to memorialize Brevet Major General R. C. Buchanan, commanding this military district, to order the collection of the taxes in arrears to this city for said years immediately.

Yeas: President Graham, and Messrs. Burbank, Dewees, Kellogg, Tucker, Zacharie, and Woolfey.

Nays: None.

The President appointed as members of the committee on the part of the Board of Aldermen Messrs. Burbank and Woolfey.

PETITIONS.

1. Of H. Walter for permission to erect a cooper shop corner of Thalia and White streets.

2. Of G. Surgi, praying for extension of contract for paving certain streets, was referred to Committee on Streets and Landings.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following report from the Finance Committee was received:

FINANCE COMMITTEE ROOM, No. 23 City Hall, May 26, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—The Finance Committee have the honor to report upon the following subjects referred to them, viz:

1. Upon the petition of Felix Robin favorably, so far as to allow him four hundred and eighty dollars for the furniture now in the Fifth District Court, which he proposes to sell to the city, the same having been assessed by the Surveyor as its full value; and provided a good and satisfactory title be assured to the city.

2. Touching the matter of P. S. Nugent, charging Jotham Potter with theft, etc., your committee perceive in the communication much personality and acrimony, and after an interview with Mr. Potter, have deemed it best to refer the case to the City Attorney.

3. We concur with the lower Board of Aldermen respecting the allowance to Mrs. Nelson Foucher of one thousand dollars for her property nearly absorbed by the city through the opening of London avenue, the same having been examined by the Surveyor and favorably reported upon, deducting the taxes, or whatever claims the city may have against said property.

4. Your committee in the case of the letter of Hon. George Kellogg, referred to them, have to report that in their opinion, even after the letter of the Finance Committee to the Controller and Treasurer, parties were by favor allowed to obtain their tax bills through brokers and others. The fact is proven; the reasons given are not by us deemed sufficient, and we are compelled to report that we believe that the allegations made are true, and that the fault lies in the Controller's department; and they recommend that the Controller be notified by letter from the committee that although he himself may not have had personally anything to do with the affair, yet that more careful steps should have been taken to prevent this wrong upon the taxpayers of the city.

E. W. BURBANK, Chairman pro tem.
JAMES T. TUCKER.

The following resolutions reported favorably by the committee were adopted on their first reading:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars be allowed M'me Nelson Foucher for the property expropriated by the city in running through it for the purpose of opening London avenue, with the reservation of her all claims the city may have against said property for taxes or otherwise.

Resolved, That the Controller be authorized to advertise for the binding of the material records in the official journal. Sealed proposals will be directed to D. Mandell, Esq., and adjudicated after five days advertisement. The number of volumes not to exceed sixty. All bids to be in conformity with specifications to be obtained at the Controller's office.

The following report from the Committee on Streets and Landings was received:

COMMITTEE OF STREETS AND LANDINGS, Board of Aldermen, City Hall, May 26, 1868.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—Your committee have the honor to report upon the following subjects referred to them, viz:

1. Upon the petition of E. W. Huntington, asking that the city of New Orleans purchase from him a certain strip or portion of ground in the square bounded by Broadway, Apollo, Josephine, and St. Andrew streets, your committee would report favorably, as the City Surveyor reports that a portion of ground proposed to be sold is necessary for a public banquette. We therefore offer the necessary resolution for adoption.

Upon the resolution sent from the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence, that permission be granted to Trower & Co. to erect a portable steam engine in the building corner of Orange and Religious streets, your committee would report unfavorably, as the purpose for which the engine is intended to be erected is not stated in the resolution.

Upon the resolution sent from the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence, that permission be granted to Joseph A. Vega to erect a portable steam engine in the premises in square bounded by Bienville, Peters, Clay, and Customhouse streets, your committee would report unfavorably, as the purpose for which the engine is intended to be erected is not stated in the resolution.

Upon the resolution sent from the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence, that permission be granted to Joseph A. Vega to erect a portable steam engine in the premises in square bounded by Bienville, Peters, Clay, and Customhouse streets, your committee would report unfavorably, as the purpose for which the engine is intended to be erected is not stated in the resolution.

D. S. DEWEES, Chairman.
GEO. KELLOGG.

The following, recommended therein, was read on its first reading:

Resolved, That the strip or portion of ground in the square bounded by Brainard, Josephine, and St. Andrew streets, which measures 130 feet 5 inches and 4 lines front on St. Andrew street, 130 feet 5 inches and 9 lines on the rear line, and 150 feet in width and front on Brainard and Apollo streets (now Carondelet street), designated by the letter B on a plan drawn by J. N. De Pouilly, dated March 5, 1860, deposited in the office of J. W. Breedlove, notary public, which is necessary for a public banquette, and the same is offered for sale to the city of New Orleans by E. W. Huntington, who proposes to convey it at a price to be fixed by two experts, one to be selected by E. W. Huntington and the other by the city of New Orleans, to determine the value of said ground, and in case they disagree an umpire to be chosen whose decision shall be final.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The following resolutions came up in their regular order upon their second reading, and the following was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings:

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized, after ten days notice in the official journal, to sell to the lowest bidder the contract for burying the indigent dead and conveying the indigent sick to hospital for one year.

The following was postponed one week, pending the report of the Committee of Streets and Landings upon a resolution of similar purport:

Resolved, That the Crescent City Railroad company be and is hereby authorized to build a single track from the present terminus of its road in the neutral ground intersection of Magazine and Old Levee and Canal streets, through the south side of the paved street of Canal street to Chartres street, thence to the north side of Canal street, for the use of the Tchoupitoulas street cars, and to build a single track from intersection of Chartres and Canal streets to Royal street, thence to cross to the north side of Canal street, for the use of the Annunciation street cars, thence a single track through the paved street of the north side of Canal street to the terminus of the Crescent City Railroad, in the neutral ground intersection of Magazine and Old Levee streets, the work to be done in accordance with specifications to be given by the City Surveyor, the city reserving the track so laid as a trunk for any other railroads which the city may from time to time authorize to be built, by reimbursing to the Crescent City Railroad company a fair and reasonable compensation for the portion of their road used—the running of the Crescent City Railroad cars not to be interfered with.

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, May 26, 1868.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Mr. E. H. Chadwick, President; and Messrs. Sterry, Scott, Kearny, Shields, Perkins, Mary, Flood, Thezan, Dunn, Sullivan, Sauvinet, and Joubert.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following message of the Mayor and documents accompanying were ordered spread upon the minutes:

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

To the Honorable the Members of the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor herewith to include special orders No. 115, appointing John Breen, Esq., a member of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, vice John L. Davies, resigned.

Very respectfully,
E. HEATH, Mayor.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans, La., May 26, 1868.

Special Orders No. 115.

(Extract.)

1. John Breen, eleventh ward, city of New Orleans, is hereby appointed a member of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, vice John L. Davies, resigned.

The appointee will transmit a copy of the required oath to these headquarters upon acceptance of the appointment.

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By command of Brevet Major General R. C. Buchanan.

THOMAS H. NEILL, Major Twentieth Infantry, Brevet Brigadier General U. S. A., Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

Mr. John Breen was introduced by Mr. Shields, and took his seat as a member of this Board.

The Treasurer's report for the week ending May 23, 1868, showing: Receipts $122,702 90; expenditures $3218 13; balance on hand (composed entirely of city notes) $517,131 68, was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Controller's statement of checks drawn by the Treasurer for one week, ending May 23, 1868, amounting to $270, was referred to the same committee.

A communication of the Treasurer relative to the alleged difference between his accounts and those of the Controller was, on motion of Mr. Sullivan, laid on the table subject to call.

The following communications from the Controller were referred to the Finance Committee:

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, May 26, 1868.

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with ordinance No. 883, new series, "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," was offered for sale on Saturday, twenty-third of May.

The right is unsold, there being no bid.

Very respectfully,
D. E. MANDELL, Controller.

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, City Hall, May 26, 1868.

Honorable Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—In conformity with ordinance No. 878, new series, I send you a certified copy of a transfer to the city of New Orleans, of the real estate, movable property, and moneys belonging to the Touro Almshouse, as per act passed by the City Notary on the thirtieth day of April, 1868, the moneys, amounting to three thousand eight hundred and ninety-one dollars and ninety-five cents ($3891 95).

Of the above amount in
United States cur. rency $3,541 20
Of the above amount in
city currency..... 344 75 $3,891 95

This amount placed into the Treasury by the City Notary on special deposit.

I desire to be instructed where this money shall be placed and how disposed of.

Respectfully submitted,
D. E. MANDELL, Controller.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following report of the Finance Committee was received:

NEW ORLEANS, May 26, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

The Committee on Finance have the honor to report upon the several matters referred to them by you, as follows, viz:

1. Upon the matter of the discrepancy existing between the books and receipts of the City Controller and Treasurer, that they as a body examined the receipts now held by the Controller against the Treasurer; they find that these receipts are fifteen in number, and cover an amount of forty-two thousand two hundred dollars ($42,200), signed by the usual employes of the Treasurer.

Of these the Treasurer acknowledges $1200, leaving $41,000 as yet unaccounted for by him, and for which he refuses to receipt now, although admitting that the receipts are in the form and manner usually given. Unable, therefore, to gain from the Treasurer or his books any satisfactory explanation of this deficiency, we recommend that they be at once authorized to employ two experts in accounts to be under the control of this Committee, who shall make a thorough examination into the books of the Treasurer and Controller, and would respectfully suggest prompt action on the subject.

2. Upon the communication of the Controller reporting the adjudication of a contract with Louis Ruch to supply the city institutions with beef during the year 1868, at three and a half cents per pound, and considering the faithful manner this person has heretofore filled his contracts with the city and the extremely low price bid, we have no hesitation in recommending to the Council an approval of the adjudication.

3. E. Pearson, Jr., asks that he be permitted to exercise the vocation of auctioneer, without paying the license fee, upon the ground that he has little or no business and is a minor. If the Council attempt to legislate to relieve the special troubles of each of its citizens, its business would never end; and we report against granting his request.

4. Thomas Bayne and other policemen of the city ask to be reimbursed the cost of their uniforms.

The present condition of our finance does not permit any expenditure except that which is absolutely necessary, and as the clothing paid for by them is as serviceable as any other which they might purchase for ordinary wear your committee recommend that no action be taken thereon.

5. Mr. Louis Abadie desires to be relieved from his contract with the city as farmer of the Breton market, upon the ground that the stalls are vacant—complaining that there are private stalls in the vicinity of the one leased by him.

This contract seems to have been made in the usual manner, and became a matter of bargain and sale between the city and Mr. Abadie. If rendered unprofitable to the farmer it is the fault of the city, and we do not see that the city can properly afford the relief asked for. We therefore report against the allowance of the petition.

6. On the second of October last the Controller adjudicated to F. Wintz the right of way for a railroad on Esplanade and other streets, and the names of Jackson & Manson and Biscoe & Simmes are offered as securities. The matter was referred to us by you at the last sitting upon an application of the Controller to pass upon the sufficiency of the securities. We are satisfied they are good and solvent, and recommend their acceptance.

7. The contract for cleaning the sinks of the public buildings which was adjudicated to A. Conrad by the Controller on the 23d of March last, for the sum of $4500 per year is sent to us for report. We see no reason why the same should not be affirmed, and therefore recommend its approval.

8. In the matter of the right of way of railroad on Villere, Dumaine, Marais, and other streets, and which was adjudicated on the 15th May to Orleans Railroad Company, the names of the securities are sent to us to be reported upon. The company offer D. B. McCarty, George W. Hynson, B. Saloy, and L. E. Lemarie. In our opinion they are sufficient, and we recommend the approval of the adjudication.

9. Mrs. Caroline Murphy, President of the Union Benevolent Association, applies for $60 per month to aid the said institution. Charity is a noble thing and available much, and while we fully appreciate the wants of the poor and sick among us, still we can not recommend any increase of our charity fund until some provisions are made to pay the pressing debts due school-teachers and other employes of the city, as well as to merchants and contractors for supplies furnished. We should be just before we are generous.

10. An ordinance to provide for the administration of the affairs of the City Waterworks of New Orleans is sent to us for a full report upon the plan. Your committee have carefully examined the plan proposed, and find in it many valuable points, and think that a plan embracing many of its features may at the proper time be perfected. The arbitrators on the part of the Waterworks and the city are now with energy performing their duties, and it is thought by us that before any definite plan shall be adopted their labors should be finished; their report should be made and the city come in possession of the works. We, therefore, recommend that all action be deferred until said report shall come in.

11. The petition of A. J. McCulloch, asking to be paid for setting lamp-posts, was referred to the Street Commissioner, who reports that the contract will soon be finished, at which time the proper certificates will be issued. As the certificates will be sufficient foundation for the finance Committee to approve of his bill if correctly stated under the contract, we see no reason for action by the Council.

12. D. F. Simpson, collector of Dryades market, complains that during the sickness of his family in September last he was robbed of the proceeds of Sept. 9, $36 40, money belonging to the city. It appears that he was in the habit of keeping his collections at his house without any protection whatever against fire and robbery. Your Committee have the highest opinion of the integrity of Mr. Simpson, but think there was not due care taken of the money belonging to the city, and further, that they know of no law authorizing the Council to assist him in his misfortunes; they, therefore, report upon his petition adversely.

13. The matter of J. M. Keller, asking to be relieved of his contract with the city touching "Keller" market, we have to report that there were some legal questions arising in and about the same, and have therefore sent the papers to the City Attorney asking his opinion.

14. The plan of Mr. Bernard Avegno to retire the city currency has been under consideration for the past two weeks, and as there appears to be a difference of opinion as to its adaptation and efficiency, we desire to report progress and ask for further time.

J. P. SULLIVAN, Chairman pro tem. Finance Committee:
B. F. JOUBERT,
ARISTIDE MARY.

The following resolutions accompanying the above report were read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be and hereby are empowered to employ two experts accountants, they judge necessary, who shall, under the direction of said committee, on behalf of the city, examine the accounts of the Treasurer and Controller of the city of New Orleans, a full report of which shall be made to said committee, who shall report the same to the Board of Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen.

Resolved, That the sale of the right of way for a railroad on Villere, Dumaine, Marais, and other streets, which was adjudicated on the fifteenth May, 1868, to the Orleans Railroad Company, with D. B. McCarty, George W. Hynson, B. Saloy, and L. E. Lemarie as securities, be and the same are hereby approved.

Resolved further, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to enter into contract before the city notary in behalf of the city of New Orleans with the Orleans Railroad Company as principals, and D. B. Macarty, George W. Hynson, B. Saloy, and L. E. Lemarie as securities, for the right of way of a railroad on Villere, Dumaine, Marais, and other streets, for twenty years, at the rate of 22 32 of one cent per passenger carried on the cars, agreeably to specifications by the City Surveyor.

Resolved, That the adjudication of the contract to F. Wintz on the second October, 1867, of the right of way for a railroad on Esplanade and other streets, with the names of Jackson & Manson and Biscoe & Simms as securities, be and the same are hereby approved.

Resolved further, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to enter into contract before the City Notary in behalf of the city of New Orleans, with F. Wintz as principal, and Jackson & Manson and Biscoe & Simms as securities, for the right of way for a railroad on Esplanade and other streets, for twenty years, at the rate of one and one-third cent per passenger, and agreeably to specifications of the City Surveyor.

2. *Resolved*, That the adjudication of the contract of the city of New Orleans with Louis Ruch to supply the public institutions with beef during the year 1868 be and the same is hereby approved.

Resolved further, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to enter into contract, before the City Notary, in behalf of the city of New Orleans, with Louis Ruch as principal and H. Cuneby as security, for supplying the different public institutions of the city with beef during the year 1868 at the rate of three cents and a half per pound.

Resolved, That the contract for cleaning sinks of the public institutions, which was adjudicated on the 23d March last to A. Conrad at the rate of $4500 per year, be and the same is hereby approved.

Resolved further, That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to enter into contract before the City Notary, in behalf of the city, with A Conrad as principal, and G. Bonet as security, for the cleaning of the sinks of the different institutions of the city for and in consideration of the sum of forty-five hundred dollars. ($4500.)

The following report of the Committee on Streets and Landings was received:

COMMITTEE OF STREETS AND LANDINGS, Board of Assistant Aldermen, City Hall, May 26, 1868.

To the Honorable the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—Your committee have the honor to report upon the following subjects referred to them, viz:

Upon the communication of the City Surveyor suggesting that he be authorized to raise the curb and flagging of the intersections of the banquettes on Canal street from Magazine to Rampart street to a level with the top of the iron bridges, and recommending that long iron crossing plates be used instead of the present narrow stone crossings, your committee would report favorably, and offer the necessary resolution.

Upon the petition of the Board of Managers of the Poydras Asylum for the donation of a burial lot in the Washington Cemetery, of dimensions suitable for the requirements of the Asylum, your Committee would report favorably, and offer the necessary resolution for adoption.

F. W. PERKINS, Chairman;
C. S. SAUVINET,
J. L. STERRY.

The following from the same committee underwent its several readings under a suspension of the rules by a unanimous vote:

Resolved, That the City Surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to raise the curb and flagging of the intersections of the banquettes on Canal street, from Magazine to Rampart street, to a level with the top of the iron bridges, and replace the stone crossings with long iron crossing plates.

The following, also from the same committee, passed its first reading unanimously, and, the rules being suspended, was adopted on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Chadwick, Sterry, Scott, Kearny, Shields, Perkins, Mary, Breen, Flood, Thezan, Dunn, Sullivan, and Sauvinet.

Nay: Mr. Joubert.

Mr. Shields gave a notice of reconsideration of the above vote at the next meeting.

Resolved, That lots Nos. 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, measuring twenty feet by forty one feet in all, in section No. 4, in Washington Cemetery No. 1, be and the same are hereby donated to the Poydras Orphan Asylum.

The following report of the Committee on Improvements and Buildings was received, and the resolution accompanying read twice under a suspension of the rules and adopted by a unanimous vote:

To the Honorable Board of Assistant Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Improvements and Buildings, to whom was referred the petition of U. Winteler, praying for permission to erect a steam engine and boilers on his premises, No. 23 St. Ferdinand street, third district, beg leave to report favorably, and offer the necessary resolution.

JOHN L. STERRY, Chairman;
EDMOND FLOOD,
ARISTIDE MARY.

Resolved, That permission be and it is hereby granted to U. Winteler to erect a steam engine and boiler on his premises, No. 23 St. Ferdinand street, third district, provided the same be erected in accordance with city laws and ordinances, and remain during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The following report of the special committee on the resolution offered by Mr. Davies at the last meeting, was received, and the resolution accompanying referred to the Finance Committee:

Report of Special Committee appointed to carry out Ordinance No. 708, new series.

Your committee have the honor to report that they have duly considered the best means of carrying into effect the provisions of ordinance No. 708, and have arrived at the conclusion that the city will save more than ten thousand dollars costs in completing it therewith, as making the necessary disbursements for completion of books and registry of judgments, and to that end empower the City Treasurer to borrow, by pledge if necessary, an amount sufficient to that end.

It is also highly proper that the attorney in charge of the collection of the judgments mentioned in said ordinance be authorized to revive such of said judgments as in his opinion may be susceptible of collection.

And to that end they submit the accompanying resolutions.

JOHN L. DAVIES,
ALFRED KEARNY,
J. L. STERRY.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized to borrow an amount sufficient in legal currency to carry out the provisions of ordinance No. 708, new series, and if necessary pledge city obligations to that end.

Resolved further, That the attorney in charge of claims under said ordinance be empowered to revive such of the judgments therein mentioned as in his opinion may be susceptible of collection by the city.

ORIGINAL RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Joubert:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby invited to meet this Board in joint session for the purpose of electing a Collector of Levee Dues for the second and third districts.

Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Sullivan introduced a resolution making it incumbent on this Council to memorialize General Buchanan, asking him to use his power to order the collection of taxes in arrear due this city, which was adopted on its several readings and sent up for concurrence.

[Minutes of Board of Aldermen.]

The chair appointed on this committee Messrs. Sullivan, Scott, and Kearny.

Mr. Dunn offered a resolution authorizing the City Surveyor to build bridges across Broad Street canal and at Gravier and Perdido streets. Adopted on its several readings by a unanimous vote and sent up for concurrence.

[See proceedings Board of Aldermen.]

The following by Mr. Perkins was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings:

WHEREAS, The present banquettes bordering the neutral ground of Canal street, from Carondelet street to Claiborne street, are entirely useless in consequence of their narrow width; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized to sell after ten days' notice in the official journal a contract to the lowest bidder to widen and flag the banquettes on each side of the neutral ground from Carondelet street to Treme street, to take up and reset the iron posts and chains, and furnish and set iron benches between the posts, all to be done in accordance with plans and specifications to be furnished by the City Surveyor.

Mr. Sauvinet offered a resolution providing for the immediate election of a permanent Chairman of the Finance Committee, vice John Gauche, deceased.

Mr. Perkins amended the resolution, and the amendment was accepted and adopted, so as to provide for the election of two members for the Finance Committee to fill the vacancies now existing therein.

Messrs. Sullivan and Kearny were nominated and elected by acclamation.

Mr. Sauvinet moved that the Board proceed to elect a Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The President declared the motion to be out of order.

Mr. Dunn appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. Scott, Kearny, Shields, Perkins, and Sullivan—5.

Nays: Messrs. Sterry, Mary, Breen, Flood, Thezan, Dunn, Sauvinet, and Joubert—8.

The decision of the Chair was overruled.

On motion of Mr. Joubert the Finance Committee was empowered to elect their own Chairman.

PETITIONS.

The following petition was referred, with the accompanying resolution by Mr. Kearny, to the Committee on Police and Health:

NEW ORLEANS, March 5, 1868.

To the Common Council of the City of New Orleans:

The undersigned, owners of property or residents in the immediate neighborhood of the Half Way House, at the intersection of the New Canal and the Metairie road, pray your honorable body to place day and night policemen at that place.

GEO. L. BRIGHT,
J. McWILLIAMS,
Per G. L. Bright;
R. TAYLOR,
E. W. EASTMAN,
GEORGE GRUBER,
MARTIN GAYNES,
AUGUSTUS RICHARDT,
JAMES CRAGIN.

Resolved, That the Mayor be authorized and directed to establish a police station at or near the junction of the Metairie road and the New Canal, and to detail for duty there two day policemen and two night policemen, and that he be further authorized to rent a suitable place for a station at a rent not to exceed twenty-five dollars per month.

A petition complaining that the grade of the street between Baronne and Circus streets has by order of the city authorities been raised eight or ten inches higher than the sidewalks, rendering the drainage of that part of the city almost impossible, and praying that the sidewalks be raised in proportion with the street, was referred to the Committee on Streets and Landings.

The Board, on motion, adjourned.

ALFRED BOURGES, Secretary.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

ESTATE OF LOVICK VENTRESS FELTUS

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, New Orleans, May 11, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twelfth day of May, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of LOVICK VENTRESS FELTUS, of Bayou Goula, in the parish of Iberville and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the Customhouse building, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, before Edwin A. Parker, Register, on the twelfth day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
No. 747—my12 jel2 A District of Louisiana.

ESTATE OF THOMAS ONG.

OFFICE UNITED STATES MARSHAL, District of Louisiana, New Orleans, May 20, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twelfth day of May, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of THOMAS ONG, of the parish of St. Bernard and State of Louisiana, who was adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the Customhouse building, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, before John F. Deane, Register, on the tenth day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, United States Marshal.
No. 762—my21 jel6 A District of Louisiana.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM HARVEY DONOHO.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, New Orleans, May 8, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twelfth day of May, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of WILLIAM HARVEY DONOHO, of the parish of Madison and State of Louisiana, who was adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the thirtieth day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 771—my16 je30

ESTATE OF WM. A. MADDOX.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, Monroe, La., May 7, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE seventh day of May, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of WM. A. MADDOX, in the parish of Claiborne and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the thirtieth day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 763—my16 je30

ESTATE OF WESLEY CONNER.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, New Orleans, May 11, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE eighth day of May, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of WESLEY CONNER, of the parish of Claiborne and State of Louisiana, who was adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the Customhouse building, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, before Edwin A. Parker, Register, on the eighth day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
No. 748—my12 jel6 A District of Louisiana.

ESTATE OF ALEXANDER H. CUNEY.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, Monroe, La., March 30, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twenty-seventh day of March, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of ALEXANDER H. CUNEY, in the parish of Catahoula and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the first day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 165—ap24 jel

ESTATE OF G. W. OATHEY.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, Monroe, La., March 30, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twenty-seventh day of March, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of G. W. OATHEY, in the parish of Franklin and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the second day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 66—ap18 jel

IN BANKRUPTCY.

ESTATE OF FRANCIS M. HAYS AND JOHN A. GUEST, Individually, and as Members of the Firm of Hays & Guest.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, New Orleans, May 1, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE first day of May, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estates of FRANCIS M. HAYES and JOHN A. GUEST, individually and as members of the firm of Hayes & Guest, of the parish of Carroll and State of Louisiana, who have been adjudged bankrupts on their own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupts, to them or for their use, and the transfer of any property by them, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupts, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of their estates, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the Customhouse building, in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, before J. R. G. Pitkin, Register, on the eleventh day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
No. 815—my30 jel1 District of Louisiana.

ESTATE OF N. C. PARSONS.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, Monroe, La., March 30, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twenty-second day of March, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of N. C. PARSONS, in the parish of Ouachita and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the first day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 659—ap4 jel

ESTATE OF A. J. DESHA.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, Monroe, La., March 30, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twenty-seventh day of March, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of A. J. DESHA, in the parish of Franklin and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the first day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 662—ap4 jel

ESTATE OF JOHN LOOKWOOD.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE, District of Louisiana, New Orleans, April 27, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT ON THE twenty-fourth day of April, A. D. 1868, a WARRANT IN BANKRUPTCY was issued against the estate of JOHN LOOKWOOD, of the city of Jefferson, in the parish of Jefferson and State of Louisiana, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of W. J. Q. Baker, in the town of Monroe, parish of Ouachita, before W. J. Q. Baker, Register, on the thirteenth day of June, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock A. M.

F. J. HERRON, U. S. Marshal.
Per M. M. GRADY, Deputy, as Messenger.
No. 673—ap28 jel2 A District of Louisiana.

ESTATE OF JOSEPH W. BOGGS.

OFFICE UNITED STATES MARSHAL, District of Louisiana, Monroe, La., May 7, 1868.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE THAT