

any one made a good bargain nothing more was heard of it.

Resolutions and New Business.

Mr. West called up the following ordinance, and moved that it be read by title and printed, and laid over, which was carried:

An ordinance changing the name of the upper part of St. Charles street to St. Charles avenue, and establishing lines for the same.

1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That St. Charles street above Tivoli Circle shall hereafter be known as St. Charles avenue.

2. Be it further ordained, etc., That in that portion of St. Charles avenue between Tivoli Circle and Toledo street, the following dimensions of sidewalks, roadway, and gutters, hereby established, and to be laid out, to-wit: (1) a central gutter, eighteen (18) feet in width, two (2) sidewalks, eighteen (18) feet in width, and six (6) inches in width; one (1) central gutter, eighteen (18) feet in width. That the sidewalks of St. Charles avenue, from Tivoli Circle to St. Mary street, shall be paved or flagged, the entire width of the street, and from St. Mary street to Toledo street, shall be paved or flagged, and the sidewalks shall be paved or flagged, until the Council shall direct that the whole space be paved or flagged.

3. Be it further ordained, that all ordinances and resolutions of the Council, conflicting with this ordinance, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Mr. West called up the following ordinance:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenses of the City Surveyors for the month of May, 1870.

SECTION I. Be it ordained by the Council of the City of New Orleans, That the following sums of money are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Surveyors' Department for the month of May, 1870:

Expenditures for the Department proper—pay roll of salaries—nine hundred and eighty-three dollars and thirty cents. \$983 33
Pay roll of Mechanics—one thousand and seven hundred dollars. 1,700 00

Total amount. \$2,683 33

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That the Administrator of Public Accounts shall draw his warrant upon the Administrator of Finance for the aggregate amount thereof, and the Administrator of Finance shall take the individual receipts of the parties upon the salary and pay rolls, which shall be furnished to him by the City Surveyor.

Read a first and second time, and laid over under the rule.

The annexed ordinance, introduced by Mr. West, was also read a first and second time, and laid over till the next regular meeting:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Improvements, for the month of May, 1870.

SECTION I. Be it ordained by the Council of the City of New Orleans, That the following sums of money, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Improvements for the month of May, 1870.

Expenditures of the Department proper (5500) dollars.

Expenditures of the Bureau of Streets, twenty-nine thousand and twenty-four (29,024) dollars.

Expenditures of the Bureau of Wharves and Landings, seven thousand two hundred (7,200) dollars.

Expenditures of the Bureau of City Streets, eight thousand two hundred and six (\$8,256) dollars.

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That payment of expenditures as above, either in whole or in part, shall be made upon vouchers approved by the Administrator of Improvements, and the Administrator of Public Accounts shall draw his warrants upon the Administrator of Finance for the aggregate amount thereof, and the Administrator of Finance shall take the individual receipts of the parties upon the salary and pay rolls, which shall be furnished to him by the Administrator of Improvements.

Mr. West presented a resolution and report, as under:

DEPARTMENT OF IMPROVEMENTS,
City of New Orleans, May 24, 1870.

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

A communication from the St. Vincent's Infant Asylum, for professional services in accordance with resolution No. 1614, new series, \$2500.

J. McCaffrey & Co., for hay and oats for Workhouse, \$28 17.

Resolution for subscription of three copies of paper for twelve months, as per account approved by Finance Committee, \$12.

D. Brumondy, for clerk's costs in four suits in the Seventh District Court, approved by City Attorney, \$201 45.

Thomas J. Flynn, for painting, etc., in Department of Public Accounts, \$80.

John H. Conway, for contingent expenses as Mayor, \$2359.

John P. Cazear, for salary and fees as Constable, parish of Orleans, right bank, as per account approved by W. H. Seymour, \$100 00.

C. Lauer, P. Irwin and G. W. Boyer for seven months rent of house known as First District Lockup, corner Lafayette and St. Charles streets, to fourteenth May, 1870, \$12.

Breen & Carroll, for painting in City Attorney's office, approved by City Attorney, \$12.

Clerk of Supreme Court, for costs in nineteen suits, as per accounts approved by City Attorney, \$417 55.

Catherine Lynch, for work in Department of Administration of Police, \$8.

E. B. Deveraux, for services as clerk in adjusting the affairs of the late City of Jefferson, under an appointment of the late Comptroller of that corporation, \$199 88.

John Board, for services rendered as Secretary of Board of Assistant Aldermen, etc., \$69 67.

L. W. Sewell, for translating notarial act from French, account approved by City Attorney, \$20 70.

Gamewell & Co., for articles for Fire Alarm Telegraph, approved by Administrator of Commerce, \$197 75.

J. Grosjean, for statutes at Louisiana for Department of Public Accounts, \$8.

Chapsky & Feetzl, for ribbon stamp for Department of Public Accounts, \$15.

Stetson & Armstrong, for forty-six books for Metropolitan Police, \$129 50.

Stetson & Armstrong, for stationery for Mayor's office, \$18 75.

M. Carvin, for work done and materials furnished for certain wharves, approved by Administrator of Improvements and City Surveyor, \$13,588.

Louis Rich, for various supplies for House of Refuge and Insane Asylum, \$932 76.

D. C. McNeill, for services rendered for drainage machines, approved by Surveyor, \$14.

D. C. McNeill, for articles for canal bridges, approved by Surveyor, \$125.

Fredrick Keene, for laying sidewalk, and furnishing materials corner Conti and Johnson streets, \$59 40.

Oehmichen & Pothier, for articles for Draining Machine, \$35 54.

Oehmichen & Pothier, for nails and spikes for Surveyor's Department, \$184 35.

Oehmichen & Pothier, for nails to repair wharves, \$36.

John W. W. Pothier, for nails for general use in Surveyor's Department, \$29.

John Clark, for repairs to Magnolia bridge, \$40.

John Peller, lumber for repairs of wharves, \$36.

Denis Cronan, for materials for bridge, approved by Surveyor, \$96 80.

McRobert & Dick, soap for Insane Asylum, \$12.

Wardens of the Church of St. Louis, for twelve months rent of house in St. Ann street, adjoining the Courthouse, \$780; and repairs to the Cathedral clock in order one year, \$150—\$930.

J. Burkett & Son, supplies for City Hall, approved by Finance Committee, \$41 70.

J. A. Delemont, for repairs, etc., etc., in the Department of Public Accounts, \$200.

Ursuline Convent, approved by Finance Committee, \$900.

Mary Atwood, half month's salary as Chief Clerk of the City of New Orleans, right bank, approved by W. H. Seymour, late President Police Jury, \$5.

R. G. Barton, for services rendered Fire Alarm Telegraph, approved by J. K. Mingle, Secretary of Police Jury, \$160.

Clerk of the United States Circuit Court, copy bill in chancery approved by City Attorney, \$22.

John W. Madden, paper for Administrator of Public Accounts, \$1.

Victor Prados, for salary as Chairman of Finance Committee, four days, \$26 65.

William H. Hart, for work in the office of Public Accounts, \$5 25.

Clerk of Sixth District Court, for costs in eight suits, approved by City Attorney, \$24 40.

Board of Assessors for pay roll for April, 1870, approved by the Mayor, \$716 36.

Register of Conveyances, for certificates furnished Board of Assessors, \$269 50.

Registration of the Mayor of the City of New Orleans, April 3, 1870, warrant No. 187, issued April 3, 1870, \$47 27.

McCloskey, Bigley & Co., for coal furnished Insane Asylum, \$29 00.

McCloskey, Bigley & Co., coal for wharves, \$20 00.

McCloskey, Bigley & Co., coal Mealmepne Draining Machine, \$57 50.

McCloskey, Bigley & Co., coal Bienville Draining Machine, \$57 50.

McCloskey, Bigley & Co., coal for Court House and City Hall, \$36 77.

Henry Kager, for painting and painting wagon for Boy's House of Refuge, \$31.

Henry Bircher, for repairs to railing of Annunciation square, \$300.

W. H. Seymour, late President of Police Jury, for services in closing up business of parish of Orleans, right bank, \$50.

Sloomb, Baldwin & Co., for wheelbarrows for Surveyor's Department, \$24.

Sloomb, Baldwin & Co., for wheelbarrows for Surveyor's Department, \$125.

Sloomb, Baldwin & Co., for spikes for Street Commissioner, \$100.

Sloomb, Baldwin & Co., for rope for nuisance boats, \$90.

New Orleans Republican Printing Company, for printing for City Attorney, \$108.

Pickles & Albers, articles furnished by order of and approved by the Board of Health, \$215 50.

Salary of the Mayor and Administrators for April, 1870, \$3712 50.

Protestant Orphans' Home Asylum, for allowance for the maintenance of 126 orphans for quarter ending thirtieth June, 1869, \$441.

Protestant Orphans' Home Asylum, for allowance for the maintenance of 126 orphans for quarter ending thirtieth September, 1869, \$441.

Mr. Shaw offered the following ordinance, which was also read a first and second time under the rules and laid over:

An ordinance to appropriate money to pay the salaries of the City Surveyors for the month of May, 1870.

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated to pay the salaries of the City Surveyors for the month of May, 1870, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts warrant on the Administrator of Finance accordingly.

The Administrator of Finance, fifteen hundred and ninety-one dollars and sixty cents (\$1591 66).

For the Department of Assessments, thirty-three hundred dollars (\$3300).

For the Department of Public Buildings and Waterworks, three thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars and thirty-three cents (\$3823 33).

For the Department of Police, six thousand and seven hundred dollars (\$6700).

For the Department of Commerce, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty-two cents (\$1913 52).

For the Department of Public Accounts, including the compensation of an extra force employed in making out the Metropolitan Police tax bills, and the Park tax bills, the examination of the affairs of the parish of Orleans, right bank, making the tax bills for the latter, five thousand eight hundred and seventy-three dollars (\$5873 33).

For the office of the City Attorney, one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars (\$1550).

For the office of the Mayor, two thousand dollars (\$2000).

Mr. Emley offered the following ordinance, which was adopted:

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of New Orleans, That the Administrator of Public Accounts be authorized to warrant on the Department of Finance, in favor of John Amelin, for Drayades market-house, as per contract, four hundred and twenty-two dollars.

Mr. Shaw presented the following, which was read twice and laid over:

An ordinance to provide for the payments due St. Vincent's Infant Orphan Asylum, and the Camp Street Female Orphan Asylum.

Resolved, by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the Administrator of Finance warrant against account of charity, in favor of St. Vincent's Infant Orphan Asylum, in conformity with ordinance No. 1614, new series, for two hundred dollars per month for the months of January, February and April, 1870, six hundred dollars (\$600); and in favor of the Camp Street Female Orphan Asylum, per ordinance 716, revised city laws and ordinances, for quarterly allowance to thirty-first of December, 1869, for two hundred orphans, seven hundred dollars (\$700).

Mr. Bronzani laid before the Council the following ordinance, which was read twice and laid over:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Assessments for the month of May, 1870.

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the following sums of money are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Assessments for the month of May, 1870:

To the Register of Conveyances for the conveyance of returns for the months of March and April, \$294.

Messrs. Stetson & Armstrong stationery, \$139 53.

John Madden, blank book, \$36.

State & Co., stationery and blanks, \$142 75.

Pay-roll of employees.

W. Korston, soap, towels, etc., \$5.

A. W. Denaris, furnishing and repairing locks to drawers, \$15.

Petitions.

Administrator West presented a petition from property holders for an alteration in the material of banquettes on Royal street, from Canal to Philip. He stated that the petition was laid before the Council in accordance with law, so that the Council might authorize the Administrator of Improvements to make the necessary publication.

Authorization given.

Administrator West offered a petition asking permission to erect buildings on the levee for the protection of steamboat clerks. He explained that this action was rendered necessary by the late ordinance forbidding the erection of any shed or shanty on the levee. He moved that the matter be referred to the Department of Improvements to afford the relief prayed for.

Agreed to.

A petition asking permission to retain the building on levee, at Liverpool steamship landing, was referred in the same manner to the Administrator of Improvements.

A petition of citizens of the Second District, to fence up St. Peters street, was referred to the Administrator of Improvements.

A petition of property holders of Liberty street, for a banquettes, was referred to the Administrator of Improvements.

A petition from property holders, to have the banquettes on the east side of Independence street paved with brick and stone curbing, was referred to the Department of Improvements.

A petition of property holders of Franklin street, for the opening of the street, was referred to the Department of Improvements.

A petition of property holders of Josephine street was referred to the Department of Improvements.

A petition of Charles G. Johnson for permission to erect steam engine, was referred to the Department of Commerce.

A petition of Christian Clenebecker to keep a cake stand at the foot of Canal street, was referred to the Department of Improvements.

A communication from Dr. S. C. Russell, referring to petition of neighbors near water works for abatement of nuisance, was referred to the Department of Police.

A petition of Rudolph Friedman for permission to erect forge, was referred to the Department of Commerce.

A claim of D. W. C. Campbell, was read as follows:

NEW ORLEANS, May 20, 1870.

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

On the twenty-third December last, while pursuing my way to my domicile, at No. 582 Dryades street, and when on Dryades street, near Jackson, I was precipitated down upon my left arm by a cart, in which I was confined to my house, with medical attention, for some two months. These injuries were caused by the defective plank used for a sidewalk, the same being decayed.

The amount of damage suffered equals twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500), which the City of New Orleans is bound to repair and reimburse.

My object in writing is to demand payment.

Yours respectfully,
D. W. C. CAMPBELL.

Referred to the Department of Improvements.

Communications from the Bank of New Orleans, containing extract from minutes relative to the appointment of Albert Voorhies, Esq., to receive bonds from the city, were received and ordered to be printed and filed.

They were as follows:

BANK OF NEW ORLEANS,
New Orleans, May 21, 1870.

To his honor the Mayor of New Orleans:

Sir—The undersigned, the Administrator of the Floating Debt of the City of New Orleans, does hereby constitute Albert Voorhies, Esq., of New Orleans, as his attorney at law, and specially to receive the bonds for the payment of interest of city bonds, for the purpose of taking up its floating debt, or so much of said bonds as may be left, in order in person to transmit and carry the said bonds to the undersigned in Europe, where the same are to be negotiated, and said attorney's receipt for the bonds so delivered to him by the city of New Orleans shall be a voucher of delivery to the undersigned.

Respectfully,
C. CAVAROC.

BANK OF NEW ORLEANS,
New Orleans, May 20, 1870.

To his Honor the Mayor of the City of New Orleans:

Sir—Have the honor to transmit to you the following copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of this bank held yesterday, the tenth instant.

Extract from the minutes:

"On motion of C. De Reuyter, seconded by E. F. Bernard,

"Resolved, That Albert Voorhies, Esq., is authorized to receive the bonds issued by the city of New Orleans for the purpose of taking up its floating debt, or so much of said bonds as may be left, in order in person to transmit and carry the said bonds to Mr. C. Cavaroc, President, in Europe."

A true copy:

N. AUGUSTIN, Cashier.

The following communication from Sheriff Maxwell, was ordered to be printed and filed:

SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
Parish of Orleans,
New Orleans, May 19, 1870.

Hon. R. F. Flanders, Mayor of the city of New Orleans.

DEAR SIR—The provisions of ordinance No. 77, Administration series, adopted May 17, 1870, are hereby accepted.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
THOS. L. MAXWELL,
Sheriff Parish of Orleans.

A communication from Messrs. Roselius and Alfred Phillips respecting the proposed compromise of the Livadais heirs, in relation to the Dryades Market, was received,

and referred to the Mayor and City Attorney.

The following communication was received, and referred to the City Surveyor.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., May 21, 1870.

To the Honorable City Council:

GENTLEMEN—I beg leave to call your attention to the condition of the True Meridian Line, which was established some twenty years ago on Basin street, by the United States Coast Survey. It consisted of two stone blocks on Basin street, still in place, but exposed to injury, and a stone block on Canal street, and a large spike in the wall of the house on the north side of Canal street, at the corner of Franklin street. These marks have been mostly destroyed; the spike having been taken out lately—the hole remaining. An official meridian line like this is very valuable and very important, and I would respectfully suggest that steps be taken to renew it.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
ALBERT G. LANCHEARD,
Civil Engineer.

A petition of James Caglian for reimbursement of fine imposed by Justice Sadler for seizing a horse and cab without driver, was referred to the Department of Police.

Communications from Recorder of Mortgages Southworth, relative to recording tax judgments were received and referred to the City Attorney for his opinion and advice.

A petition of James H. Hummel for release from tax seizure was referred to the Department of Assessments.

A communication from the Surgeons of the Metropolitan Police Board asking an appropriation to pay vehicles on the ground of insufficient salary was referred to the Department of Police.

A communication from Charles Dorhaner, calling attention to a mistake in his assessment, was referred to the Department of Assessments, as was also a petition from William Jockem, for release from seizure.

Sundry accounts for damages occasioned by the fire alarm and police telegraph, were referred to the Department of Police.

A communication from Captain Badger, with reference to a so-called museum of Charles T. Ames at the foot of Canal street, was referred to the Department of Police.

A petition from Chief Justice Ludeling and judges and members of the bar, for water tank at the Court Building, was presented by Mr. Shaw, and referred to the Department of Public Buildings.

A petition from St. Anne's Asylum was received, and referred to the Mayor.

A claim of the Firefly printing office was received, and referred to the Administrator of Finance.

A petition of Apps & Korndorfer was received, and referred to the Department of Assessments.

A protest against the amended wood ordinance was received, and referred to the Administrator of Commerce.

Administrator Shaw presented the following bill of ex-Mayor Conway, with accompanying agreement of members of the late Council, and moved that it be printed and referred to the Administrator of Finance, which was agreed to:

NEW ORLEANS, September 24, 1869.

To the Finance Committee, Controller and City Treasurer:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned members of the City Council respectfully represent that there are many objects of real charity in this city that should be relieved—that the calls upon his Honor the Mayor are frequent, and that he should be provided with an agency to help those who are worthy and in real distress; and as an ordinance covering the case, and making an appropriation of money for charitable distribution, would be a relief to the poor, and to the many unworthy applicants for charity around the City Hall, we propose, in order to obviate an entire violation of existing laws, that two hundred dollars per month be allowed to the Mayor for the purposes above recited, and that we sign these presents in token of our willingness to pass an ordinance, if necessary, to protect the Finance Committee against any charge of improper action, and to protect the Controller and Treasurer against any claim that might be made against themselves or their bondsmen.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Thomas H. Shields, L. S. Posson,
City Chairman, J. M. Mackay,
John W. Madden, O. Poynot,
W. H. Pemberton, W. W. Walker,
J. C. Rose, John Breen,
G. Pandely, Alfred Kearny.

NEW ORLEANS, April 1, 1870.

City of New Orleans to John R. Conway, Mayor.

Dr.

For monthly appropriation Contingent Fund, as per ordinance No. 5563, Levy's Digest, article 100, for the month of February, 1870, and March, 1870, \$1074 41

J. W. Madden, for books and stationery for Mayor's office. 52 25

Republican Printing Company, for books for Mayor's office. 27 00

The Republican Printing Company for publication of sundry resolutions and ordinances, as per bill rendered. 732 00

The same, for printing slip of minutes of the proceedings of the Council, as per bill rendered. 1,248 00

The same, for printing slip of minutes of the proceedings of the Council, as per bill rendered. 35 00

Administrator Shaw called up the following resolution:

A resolution approving certain accounts and pay rolls of the month of March, 1870, and the quarter ending March 31, 1870, and allowing interest thereon.

Resolved, That the following accounts and pay rolls for the month of March, 1870, and the quarter ending March 31, 1870, be approved, and that the same shall bear interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum until payment, from the first April, 1870, to the first day of June for the month of March, 1870, \$20,535 50.

Street Commissioner for month of March, 1870, \$17,910 25.

Salaries of teachers, porters, rents and expenses upon public school pay roll for March, 1870, with salaries of officers of the board to sixteenth March, 1870, inclusive, \$28,916 30.

Pay roll of Surveyor's department, March, 1870, \$15,005.

Pay roll of Criminal Sheriff, expenses of Parish Prison, month of March, 1870, \$840 10.

Expense of criminal prosecutions, fees of First District Court for quarter ending March 31, 1870, \$5131 20.

Pay roll of special officers to Mayor, March, 1870, \$1200 00.

Pay roll Commissioners of Markets, \$1280 00.

Pay roll City Workhouse, \$573 20.

Pay roll salaries Boys' House of Refuge, \$420 00.

Pay roll salaries Girls' House of Refuge, \$195 33.

Pay roll Wharfmen's laborers, Second and Third Districts, \$180 00.

Pay roll Wharfmen's laborers, First and Fourth Districts, \$180 00.

Pay roll employees Insane Asylum, \$220 00.

In urging the passage of the resolution, and in reply to remarks of Mr. West, Mr. Shaw said it was very desirable that these people should be able to point to some resolution of the Council acknowledging the equitableness of their claim and allowing them interest thereon. The Council could not give them the money, because they had not got it, but a resolution of this character would be of much service.

Roll called; resolution unanimously adopted.

Administrator West called up the following ordinance, which was unanimously adopted on a call of the yeas and nays:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the City Surveyors' Department for the month of April, 1870.

SECTION I. Be it ordained by the Council of the City of New Orleans, That the following sums of money are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Surveyor's Department for the month of April, 1870:

Expenditures for the Department proper, \$983 33, as follows:

William H. Bell, City Surveyor. 150 00

John W. Madden, Assistant Surveyor. 150 00

William Fitzner, draughtsman. 150 00

J. R. Commy, chief clerk. 150 00

N. C. Westfield, assistant clerk. 100 00

Nelson Randall, chain carrier. 50 00

George Ellsey, chain carrier. 50 00

Total. \$983 33

2. Pay roll of Department for draughtsmen, carpenters, etc., \$1,991 85

Total amount. \$2,975 18

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That the Administrator of Public Accounts shall draw his warrant upon the Administrator of Finance for the aggregate amount thereof, and the Administrator of Finance shall take the individual receipts of the parties upon the salary and pay rolls, which shall be furnished to him by the City Surveyor.

Mr. Pierce called up the subjoined ordinance, which was unanimously adopted in like manner:

An ordinance authorizing the Administrator of Public Accounts to warrant on the Administrator of Finance for April salaries of Sanitary Inspectors, as follows:

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the Administrator of Public Accounts be and he is hereby authorized to warrant upon the Administrator of Finance for the April salaries of the Sanitary Inspectors, as follows:

Dr. Jules A. Mathieu, Inspector for First District. \$125 00

Dr. James F. Jackson, Inspector for Second District. 125 00

Dr. J. M. Perry, Inspector for Fourth District. 125 00

Dr. Charles P. Ames, Inspector for Fifth District. 83 33

Dr. H. B. Smith, Inspector for Sixth District. 125 00

Total. \$708 33

Mr. Walton reported on a claim of Marie Bourdette, referred to him, that the Council had no money to pay it, but that if they allowed interest on the claim, the claimant would be satisfied.

Agreed to.

The subjoined report from Mr. Bonzano was ordered to be printed and laid over:

Report on the petition of T. F. Callen, Esq.,

DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS,
City of New Orleans, May 24, 1870.

The petition of T. F. Callen requesting that he collect rents and transact business for, and in behalf of, the minors of J. J. Kernick; that in the years 1862 and 1863 their property was taken possession of by the military Mayor of the city, without paying any rent, and petitioner was prevented from interfering or demanding rent; that the taxes of 1861, 1862 and 1863 due on the property are unpaid, and that the Sheriff has attached the property in order to enforce payment.

He claims that in view of these facts, and contrary to the provisions of the law, possession of by orders of the city chief magistrate, it would be but just and equitable that the taxes should be remitted.

The City Attorney thinks that the property should be released on this order from this office to the Sheriff of the parish of Orleans, which order he will issue, if instructed to do so by the City Council.

Very respectfully,
H. BONZANO,
Administrator of Assessments.

Mr. Emley presented the following report:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
City of New Orleans, May 24, 1870.

To the Council of the City of New Orleans:

I have examined the petition of Protector Fire Company No. 2, of the Sixth District, together with papers therewith, referred to this department, and find from the papers thus referred, and from other sources of information, that this company is a legitimate and lawful organization, that they have on many occasions done valuable service at fires in the upper part of the Fourth District, as well as in the Sixth District; that they are located at St. Charles street and Napoleon avenue, the former being a paved street through the Sixth District; that they are over a mile and a half long, and have a steam engine in the Fourth District; that there is no steam fire engine in the Sixth District; that there are but two other hand engines in the Sixth District besides the one in use by this company, which is nearly worn out. I find also that this company have an engine house and two horses, and that they have contracted for a steam engine for the sum of \$700, and as they propose to have it used to put them in good working condition on other horse, a horse-carriage and one thousand feet of hose, estimated to cost eighteen hundred dollars. The various insurance companies for this city have agreed to indemnify them sixteen hundred dollars, and they now ask this Council to give them thirty-five hundred dollars to assist them in paying for the same.

The Recorder of the Department of Public Accounts, in view of the articles above mentioned, the Sixth District being so large and important a part of our city, I think it proper and wise that there should be a steam fire engine in the Sixth District, and therefore respectfully recommend the appropriation of the sum asked for by the petitioners.

Very respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator of Commerce.

On this report he offered the following resolution, which was read a first and second time, and laid over under the rules:

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to the payment for a steam fire engine, copy righted by Protector Fire Company No. 2, of the Sixth District, and that the Administrator of the Department of Public Accounts is hereby authorized to issue his warrant on the Department of Finance for that amount and for that purpose.

The following report was received, and the authority asked for was granted:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
City of New Orleans, May 24, 1870.

To the Council of the City of New Orleans:

The proposition of James Mohan to lease the Claiborne Market for the remainder of the year 1870, referred to this department, I consider a fair offer, in view of the conditions at said market for the last forty-four days, and I respectfully ask authority of this Council to advertise for the term of five days for proposals to lease said market from the first day of June to the thirty-first day of December, inclusive, of the present year.

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator of Commerce.

The same course was taken with the annexed report, the Council approving the proposition:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
City of New Orleans, May 24, 1870.

To the Council of the City of New Orleans:

In the matter of a proposition from Louis Barthelemy to lease the St. Mary's Market for the remainder of the year 1870, I have the honor to refer to my report just submitted, in the case of the Claiborne Market, as expressive of my views in this case, asking for similar authority.

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. EMLEY,
Administrator of Commerce.

Mr. Bonzano presented a letter from the City Attorney, which he asked should be printed and accepted as his report on the subject herein referred to.

OFFICE CITY ATTORNEY,
New Orleans, May 24, 1870.

Hon. H. Bonzano, Administrator of Assessments:

DEAR SIR—The Louisiana Mutual Insurance Company in applying for the release of certain property from the payment of taxes assessed against it, which were owned by Witt Edouard Esq., resists its claim upon the rule that the decree of forfeiture and sale acted upon the thing itself, and bound the interests of all the world, whether parties actually appeared to assert their rights or not. Such undoubtedly is the case, as to the point directly presented for judgment, but I am not prepared to say that the decree of the court directing a sale necessarily binds the parties, and that the company, liens, privilege, etc., at least my doubt upon that point is so great that I can not advise the release applied for. Let the matter be judicially determined.

I will be well for you to notify the company that it was the rule with Judge Durell, in confiscation cases, to provide for the payment of taxes, and it is possible that an

amount sufficient to cover those under consideration were set apart in the registry of the court.

I respectfully return herewith the petition of the Louisiana Mutual Insurance Company, signed by their counsel, Bace Foster and E. T. Morris, Esqs.

Respectfully yours,
GEORGE W. LACEY,
City Attorney.

I request that this be received as the report from the Administrator of Assessments, and that I may be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. BOZANO,
Administrator.

Agreed to.

Administrator Pierce called up the ordinance organizing the Department of Assessments, which he submitted in an amended form, under a suspension of the rules.

The first two sections, which were unchanged, were adopted.

The third section had been remodelled, and read as follows:

Sec. 3. Be it further ordained, etc., That it shall be the duty of the Administrator of Police to have prepared and offered to the Council, for their action and approval, and ordinance as he may from time to time, deem necessary and proper.

First—To regulate and preserve the peace and good order of the city, and the enforcement of sanitary laws. (See charter section 12, article 1.)

Second—To prevent gunpowder, potassium and all explosive materials from being stored within the limits of public entertainment, and to quantities as to endanger the public safety, and to regulate the manner and quantity of storage of the same. (See charter section 12, article 2.)

Third—To determine what animals shall not be permitted to rove in the limits of the city, or in what cases they may be killed or confined, and sold for the benefit of whom it may concern. (See charter section 12, article 3.)

Fourth—To regulate the police of theatres, public halls, taverns, places for shows and exhibitions, houses of public entertainment, and shops for retailing liquors, and houses of prostitution, and to impose such duties and regulations upon persons keeping such places as may be deemed necessary and proper. (See charter section 12, article 4.)

Fifth—To impose fines upon any person or persons who shall maliciously break or take off from the door or other part of the house within the limits of public entertainment, knob, bell handle, or other fixture, or maliciously remove, or destroy, or deface any sign or door plate put up by the owner or tenant or denote in their advertisement any business, or occupation. (Charter 12, article 5.)

Sixth—To cause visits to be made by the police officers at all inns, boarding-houses, taverns, vessels and other places, to ascertain if there be in such places any destitute or sick person, that they may be conveyed, if necessary, to the Charity Hospital, or such other place as the City Council may establish for their reception. (See charter, section 12, article 16.)

Seventh—To establish jails, houses of refuge and correction, and to make such regulations for the Department of Police and correction as may be deemed proper. (See charter, section 12, article 17.)

The section was adopted, as were also the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth sections, which remained unchanged.

Section eleven read as follows:

Sec. 11. Article I. Be it further ordained, etc., That the several Recorders shall receive each an annual salary of twenty-five hundred dollars, and no other compensation, and that it shall be the duty of the Recorder to make to the Administrator of Police, on the first day of each and every week, a written report of all moneys that may have been collected by the preceding week, and shall receive from said Administrator a certificate of the amount to the Administrator of Public Accounts, who, on presentation thereof, shall issue a warrant on the Department of Finance for the reception of the same, which shall be credited to the Department of Police.

Art. II. That the Recorder of the First District shall have one chief clerk, with an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and three assistant clerks, with annual salaries of twelve hundred dollars each.

That the Recorder of the Second District shall have one chief clerk, with an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and two assistant clerks, with salaries of twelve hundred dollars each.

That the Recorder of the Third District shall have one chief clerk, with an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and one assistant clerk, with an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars.

That the Recorder of the Fourth District shall have one chief clerk, with an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and one assistant clerk, with an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars.

That the Recorder of the Fifth District shall have one clerk, with an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars.

That the Recorder of the Sixth District shall have one clerk, with an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars.

That there shall be for each of the Recorder's courts one extra clerk, with an annual salary not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars.

Mr. West, referring to article 1, asked what the Department of Police wanted credit for?

Mr. Pierce supposed the object of the present city government was to fix responsibility somewhere and make each Department answerable for its acts.

Mr. West remarked that the Council might as well credit the Department of Assessments with every tax paid. There was only one way of doing these things, and that was by putting the money in the treasury.

Mr. Pierce said he was very willing to amend the section by striking out the words "which shall be credited to the Department of Police."

Amended accordingly.

Mr. Walton desired to amend further, by directing the Recorders to report directly to the Administrator of Finance. He indorsed the remarks of the Administrator of Improvements.

Mr. Shaw favored the section as it stood.

It only gave the Administrator of Police supervisory powers.

The section was adopted without further amendment.

Section twelve had been changed to read as follows:

Sec. 12. Be it further ordained, etc., That it shall be the duty of the Administrator of Police to nominate to the Council suitable and proper persons for each and every position created by this ordinance; to exact and require from said persons such bonds and security for the faithful performance of their duties as may have been established by the Council; to require evidence of the solvency and sufficiency of said sureties, and to see that the bonds are filed in the office of the Mayor and copies in the office of said Administrator.

This and the remaining two sections were agreed to, and the ordinance was adopted as a whole.

Mr. Emley called up the ordinance creating the offices of Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents of River Landings, and defining the duties thereof.

Sections one and two were read as follows:

SECTION I. Be it ordained by the Council of the City of New Orleans, That in the month of May, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy, and annually thereafter, there shall be recommended for appointment by the Administrator of the Department of Public Accounts, and shall be appointed by the Council, one Superintendent and six Assistant Superintendents of River Landings. The Superintendent shall have an annual salary of twenty-one hundred dollars, payable monthly, and two of the Assistant Superintendents shall each have an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and four of the Assistant Superintendents shall each have an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars, payable monthly.

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That the Superintendent shall keep his office at a central and convenient locality on the levee,

coming to him every day and asking him to receive the whole of their taxes in police warrants, which, under the advice of the City Attorney, he could not do.

The resolution was carried.

Mr. Shaw called up an ordinance providing for the payment of the several accounts and payrolls therein named, introduced by him at the last meeting. He selected from that ordinance the following items, payment of which was ordered by the Council as being urgent:

Henry Bircher, for fitting iron railing in Mayor's office. \$20 00

Henry Bircher, for furnishing iron railing and fitting same in the office of Administrator of Public Accounts. 57 00

Hasam & Pooley, for lumber used in fitting apartment in which to deposit city archives. 82 13

James F. Jackson, Inspector for First District Pound, in March, 1870. 40 00

Hon. B. F. Flanders, for sundry expenditures for account of the assessments of the month of March, 1870, for allowance for April, 1870, under ordinance 419, new series. 63 00

W. & A. Metcalf, for office furniture for Department Public Accounts. 150 00

A. C. Hearing, for furniture in rooms occupied by resident persons employed in making out Metropolitan Police tax bills and Park tax bills. 300 00

Catherine Lynch, for painting and varnishing work in Controller's office. 4 50

James Gleason, for breaking open doors, etc., of Mayor's office, April, 1870. 5 00

Ag. H. Barbour, for percentage retained in guarantee for one year in repairs done to house of Hook and Ladder Company. 40 00

John Fitzpatrick, for percentage retained in guarantee for repairs done to the house of Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, and to engine house of Mississippi Fire Company No. 2. 92 00

Pay rolls of Commissioners of the markets, April, 1870. 810 58

Pay roll of the officers of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, April, 1870. 250 50

The following items in the ordinance, as originally submitted, were left over for future action:

Pay roll of Public Schools of Fifth and Sixth Districts (late Agiers and Jefferson), certified by Nathaniel P. Kenan, Secretary, April, 1870. \$2,212 50

D. C. Byerly, Clerk Third District Court, for taxed costs in 5609 suits, Nos. 481 to 10,499, including the collection of city taxes, in conformity to act No. 85 of the acts of the Legislature, approved March 15, 1868. 9,302 55

D. C. Byerly, Clerk Third District Court, for taxed costs in 956 suits, Nos. 10,502 to 11,457, in conformity with the act of the Legislature already referred to. 1,191 75

D. C. Byerly, Clerk Third District Court, for taxed costs in 863 suits, Nos. 11,533 to 12,335, in conformity to the act of the Legislature already referred to. 1,017 75

Simon Seaton, Attorney General, for prosecution and conviction in twelve criminal cases. 190 00

Clerk of Eighth District Court, for sundry copy. 16 25

John W. Madden, for stationery for Department of Public Accounts. 185 20

Steel & Co., for books furnished the city on requisition, dated twenty-eighth December, 1869. 202 00

Steel & Co., for record book for City Attorney. 13 20

Steel & Co., for stationery furnished the city in March last. 22 45