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REGULAR MEETING.

CITY HALL, NEW ORLEANS, June 8, 1871.

Mayor Flanders called the Council to order at noon to-day. Present: Administrators F. C Remick (Commerce) and John S. Walton (Finance).

A recess was taken until two o'clock, when, there still being no quorum present, a further recess was taken till six o'clock, soon after which hour the Council was called to order.

Present: Hon. Benj. F. Flanders, Mayor (in the chair), and Administrators Alfred Shaw (Accounts), L. T. Delassize (Waterworks and Public Buildings), F. C. Remick (Commerce), James Lewis (Police), and John S. Walton (Finance).

The Mayor explained that Administrators Cockrem (Improvements) and Bonzano (Assessments) were so much fatigued by their labors at the overflow as not to be able to be present.

Financial Business.

At the suggestion of the Mayor precedence was given to Mr. Shaw to introduce financial business.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance to provide for the settlement of accounts therein named.

Be it ordained, That the Administrator of Public Accounts be and he is hereby authorized to settle with the holders of the following claims, at the option of said holders, by the issue of certificates under ordinance No. 197, Administration series.

M. B. Garry, for sand supplied to the late City of Jefferson, examined and approved by the Administrator of Improvements, $57.

Read twice and laid over.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance providing for the payment of the several accounts therein named.

Be it ordained, That the following appropriations be and are hereby made, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts warrant on the Administrator of Finance in payment of the same:

Weed & Kelly, stationery, etc., approved by the City Attorney, $90 10.

Stetson & Armstrong, stationery for the Department of Public Accounts, $5.

Christian & Hyatt, printing briefs, approved by the City Attorney, $54.

Thomas McCormack, Recorder of Mortgages for the parish of Jefferson, on account of work done under act of the Legislature, $5000.

German Gazette, advertising floating debt certificates, examined and approved, $6.

John W. Madden, stationery for the Department of Public Accounts, $36 25.

Weed & Kelly, stationery for the Department of Public Accounts, $146 20.

Commercial Advertiser Association, for advertising city bonds in September, 1870, $24.

Commercial Advertiser Association, for advertising city bonds in February, 1871, $27 60.

Norbert Trepagnier, clerk of the First District Court, for fees and costs in sundry cases in May, 1871, approved by the judge of said court, $1494 25.

J. A. Masicot, Criminal Sheriff of the parish of Orleans, maintenance of prisoners, turnkeys' fees, etc., for May, 1871, as per bill approved by the Judge of the First District Court, $6183 45.

J. A. Masicot, Criminal Sheriff of the parish of Orleans, for costs and fees in sundry cases in the month of May, 1871, as per bill approved by the Judge of the First District Court, $1669 50.

C. H. Luzenberg, District Attorney, for fifty-two convictions in the month of May, 1871, as per bill approved by the Judge of the First District Court, $780.

Pelican Printing Office, for printing circulars, approved by the Mayor, $5.

John W. Madden, stationery for the Department of Finance, approved, $5 50.

Chapsky & Teetzel, six card stamps for the Department of Finance, approved, $15.

Antz & Bohne, fifty license plates, approved by Administrator of Finance, $12 50.

P. H. Quinlan, labor on gas fixtures, approved by the Administrator of Finance, $2 25.

Uniacke & Conrad, six hundred and fifty numbers at twenty-five cents each, approved by the Administrator of Finance, $162 50.

German Gazette, advertising to taxpayers, approved by the Administrator of Finance, $12.

Charles Pullman, for the use of horse and buggy, approved by the Administrator of Assessments, $15.

A. W. Dearie, repairs to locks and keys, approved by the Administrator of Assessments, $4 50.

John Hasselwender, making new wire screens, and repairing old ones, approved by the Administrator of Assessments, $18 50.

Stetson & Armstrong, 300 envelops, approved by the Administrator of Assessments, $2 25.

Register of Conveyances, for 299 certificates of transfer of property for the month of April, 1871, $149 50.

Vandegriff & Clark, sundries for the use of the City Hall, approved by the Mayor, $44.

Bureau of Streets, for cart hire, labor, etc., for the fifteen days ending May 31, approved by the Administrator of Improvements, $6780 80.

Surveyor's Department, for labor, etc., for the fifteen days ending May 31, approved by the Administrator of Improvements, $626 50.

E. Smith, for painting and whitewashing vault in the Department of Public Accounts, $25.

H. F. Bonzano, Administrator of Assessments, for contingent expenses, $150.

Vandegriff & Clark, for sundries for the Department of Public Accounts, $6 20.

Peter Hand, for services in the month of April, 1871, in serving notices to non-payers of city license tax for 1871, $100; for same in the month of May, 1871, $100.

Patrick Creagh, Coroner First, Fourth and Fifth Districts, for inquests, views, etc., for the month of May, examined and approved, $646.

James T. Jackson, Coroner Second and Third Districts, for inquests, views, etc., for the month of May, examined and approved, $672.

Republican Printing Company, for advertising proceedings of the City Council, printing calendars, etc., $373 60.

Republican Printing Company, for advertising the opening of Magnolia street, $25.

Republican Printing Company, for advertising for proposals for brick banquettes, etc., $24 25.

Republican Printing Company, for advertising notice to holders of floating debt, $4.

Republican Printing Company, for advertising sale of market revenues, etc., $15.

Republican Printing Company, for advertising ordinances for the month of May, examined and approved, $202.

Weed & Kelly, for printing 400 copies pamphlets amended charter and ordinances, from April 4, 1870, to April 4, 1871, $520.

New Orleans Times, for advertising notice of the floating debt, etc., examined and approved, $6.

Read twice and laid over.

By Mr. Shaw:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, June 6, 1871.

To the City Council of New Orleans:

It will be necessary for the Council to take some definite action relative to the public schools and the communications of the school board. The first communication was an official demand for the levy of a tax of one-quarter of one per cent, for the purpose of raising $350,000. This was followed by an alternative mandamus, which the city contested on the ground that it had in its levies already exhausted its power, and the school tax could not now be levied unless with the approval of a majority of voters, according to section seven of the revenue law (No. 41 of 1871). On appeal this position was sustained by the Supreme Court.

The School Board then appointed a committee to wait upon the Council to demand an election. The State Superintendent writes us a communication reminding the Council that the city owes, under a previous appropriation, a certain sum of money.

We have have had a plenty of legal opinions volunteered, to the effect on the one hand that we can and must, if demanded, call an election; on the other hand, that we can not, and if we do, it will be nugatory and disputed by the taxpayers.

Those who advocate an election are divided as to whether it must be held under the general registration law for election of public officers, or can be held in a simpler form by the citizens in the respective wards under commissioners appointed by the Council.

The State revenue law in which the provision occurs is silent on the subject, and we are without any direction. The lawyers differ. Certain it is the tax can not be imposed without an election.

The communication of the State Superintendent suggests that by paying the balance of a former appropriation the schools can get along till next year.

In December, 1869, the then City Council adopted a budget of receipts and expenditures for 1870, among the latter, for public schools $360,000. This, according to law, was a regular appropriation to that object. The whole budget of receipts for that year was raised either by the ordinary city revenues or the three million or floating debt loan; but the appropriation of $360,000 for public schools was only paid out to the extent of $224,882 31, leaving a balance unpaid of $135,117 69. The schools managed to get through the year by the apportionment in advance of State funds, which, in strictness, belonged to the future (1871). Apportionments are quarterly and are intended for the expenses of the ensuing not the past quarter. By consent in the suit of the Ward Boards vs. the City Board, the schools obtained a distribution of the money, but it only postponed their trouble to 1871 instead of 1870, by using the resources in advance of a part of this year.

The question is, was there a liability on the part of the city to the public schools, and can it now be recognized and settled? There was such a liability, for the amount was levied for and raised, and if otherwise appropriated would have been an unjustifiable diversion of the school fund to other purposes. True, the city had lost control of its public schools, but the State had provided otherwise for their administration, and this would not make right the misappropriation of moneys belonging to them. The obligation, therefore, still exists, and we have the power to provide for it under act No. 100, May 1, 1871, called the $2,000,000 bond act, which includes in the preamble, declaring the objects for which the bonds are to be issued, claims which the Council may deem it equitable and expedient to adjust. The distresses of the teachers and other employes of the public schools make it urgent that the Council shall act speedily.

I therefore offer an ordinance for the purpose.

ALFRED SHAW, Administrator.

An ordinance providing for a settlement of an indebtedness of the city to the public schools.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the sum of $135,117 69 be set apart in bonds, under act No. 100, session of 1871, for the settlement of the indebtedness of the city for the balance unpaid of the $360,000 appropriated in December, 1869, for the support of public schools.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That the Mayor, Administrator of Finance and Administrator of Public Accounts be charged with the distribution *pro rata* of certificates redeemable in bonds under said act No. 100 among the teachers and porters of the public schools holding untransferred accounts, such distribution to be in part settlement and reduction of any claims they may have against the public schools.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance to provide for the issue of certificates of indebtedness, and repealing ordinances 197 and 747, Administration series.

WHEREAS, Owing to the operation of the statutes requiring the receipt of Metropolitan Police warrants in payment of taxes, licenses and debts, and also to various other causes, the city can not realize its full computed budget of revenue in cash for the present year; while, on the other hand, expenses and debts by causes beyond the control of the city have become necessary to be provided for, and there exist past and maturing claims over and above what the city can provide for under previous funding bills.

And whereas, It is necessary to the credit of the city that all creditors having matured obligations and claims, against which the city has no just defense, should, if desired by them, receive a transferable acknowledgment of the obligation and equitable interest thereon;

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That holders of claims and accounts which the Council of the city shall approve under this ordinance, shall be entitled to a certificate under its provisions.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, That such claims and accounts shall bear interest from the issue of the certificate at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent per annum; and said rate of interest shall continue until payment or funding under an act of the Legislature; and it shall be understood between the holders of all certificates hereunder and the city, that the city shall not be sued thereon until after the adjournment of the regular session of the Legislature of 1872, and in case of its failure to pass a satisfactory funding bill.

SEC. 3. Be it further ordained, etc., That the first payment of interest under this ordinance shall be due on the first of January, 1872, and thereafter semi-annually until the extinction or liquidation of the debt.

SEC. 4. Be it further ordained, etc., That the certificate, shall name the principal due, and shall refer and be subject to the terms of the present ordinance. They shall be signed by the Mayor and Administrator of Finance, and attested and registered by the Administrator of Public Accounts. They shall be payable to the original holder or bearer, and shall be transferable by delivery.

SEC. 5. Be it further ordained, etc., That ordinances 197 and 747, Administration series, be and the same are hereby repealed, and all certificates under the same be at once called in and settled.

Adopted on a call of the roll.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance to provide for the issue of certificates of appropriation.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That any creditor of the city to whom an appropriation has been made, but in whose favor the Administrator of Public Accounts can not draw a warrant until there be moneys in the treasury, shall be entitled to demand and receive a transferable certificate entitling said creditor or bearer to receive a cash warrant for the amount due in the order of the adoption of the ordinance authorizing the same.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That said creditor shall sign a receipt therefor, stipulating that the warrant shall be claimed only on the production and surrender of this certificate and accepting the provisions of this ordinance.

SEC. 3. Be it further ordained, etc., That warrants shall be issued strictly in the order of the adoption of the ordinance authorizing them; those for interest, charity, judgments, judicial costs, weekly pay of laborers, and upon special order of the Council excepted.

SEC. 4. Be it further ordained, etc., That certificates issued under this ordinance shall bear no interest; but persons holding or entitled to receive them can receive seven-thirty interest bearing certificates under ordinance No. 882, Administration series, instead, interest commencing from the date of issue of the latter.

Mr. Shaw said for a long time it had been a great drawback, that the city could put into the hands of persons to whom they were indebted no representation of that indebtedness until the time for issuing the warrants came. This had created the necessity for an extensive system of transfers, which would be obviated by the passage of this ordinance.

The ordinance was unanimously passed.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance for the settlement of the claims of persons who have overpaid their taxes for the year 1870, collectable in 1871.

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the Administrator of Public Accounts be authorized to settle with all taxpayers who have overpaid their taxes for the year 1870, collectable in 1871, by the issue of seven-thirty certificates, under ordinance 882, Administration series, for the excess paid of five-eighths of one per cent upon their assessments.

Adopted.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance to authorize the issue of certificates to holders of claims covered by the ten per cent loan act, pending the preparation and signing of the bonds.

WHEREAS, Due notice has been given to the owners of New Orleans city seven-thirty certificates and the certificates of the Bank of New Orleans, administrator of the floating debt, to make to the Administrator of Public Accounts their opposition, if any they have or can, on the ground of theft, loss or mislaying, to the exchange of said certificates for bonds; and

Whereas, It will greatly facilitate the said exchange;

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the Administrator of Public Accounts is hereby authorized and instructed to receive on deposit, and certify said deposit to the depositors of the claims referred to, which said certificate shall include the interest accrued on such claims to the date of deposit, and be exchangeable for the sum of its face and accrued interest at par with the ten per cent bonds of the old loan, the interest on said bonds to begin to run from the date of deposit as aforesaid.

Adopted.

Mr. Shaw asked the unanimous consent of the Council to issue cash warrants for the necessary expenses connected with the overflow. It would be necessary to draw five thousand dollars for provisions, and also to draw immediately for wood for pumping.

Mr. Remick moved that unanimous consent be granted, and on call of the roll unanimous consent was given.

Monthly Reports.

Mr. Walton presented his monthly report, as follows:

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF FINANCE, MAY, 1871.

	Dr.
To balance brought from April, 30, 1871	$63,656 38
Bills receivable, collections	1,475 00
Consolidated loan tax, 1870, collections	62,965 00
Cemeteries, collections	209 50
City railroads, collections	411 74
City tax on real estate, 1869, collections	4,728 95
City tax on personal property, 1869, collections	365 54
City taxes, Sixth District, 1869, collections	102 00
City taxes, Fifth District, 1869, collections	12 00
Consolidated loan tax, 1869, collections	10,414 75
City taxes, 1862, collections	5 53
City taxes, 1870, collections	94,249 81
Consolidated loan tax, 1862, collections	5 11
Fines and fees, collections	2,954 25
Ground rents, collections	557 36
Interest, collections	1,329 17
Interest on railroad bonds, 1869, collections	2,354 25
Interest on Jefferson City bonds, collections	63 00
Interest on railroad bonds, 1862, collections	1 36
Interest on railroad bonds, 1870, collections	21,123 09
Judgments, collections	819 68
Law charges, collections	359 00
Levee dues, collections	33 440 20
Licenses, 1870, collections	9,083 00
Markets, collections	24,945 50
Metropolitan Police warrants, 1870, collections	12,140 22
Metropolitan Police tax, 1869, collections	12,009 80
Metropolitan Police tax, Fifth District, 1869, collections	12 00
Metropolitan Police tax, Sixth District, 1869, collections	76 50
Metropolitan Police warrants, 1871, in suspense, collections	83,165 30
Metropolitan Police tax, 1870, collections	89,166 49
New Orleans Park tax, 1869, collections	1,993 46
New Orleans Park tax, 1870, collections	14,381 04
Public pounds, collections	337 43
Pontchartrain railroad tax, 1871, collections	181 11
Printing tax list, collections	1,065 50
Surveyor, collections	10 00
Sixth District taxes, 1868, collections	24 00
Sixth District taxes, 1867, collections	16 00
Tax redemption million loan, 1869, collections	8,002 98
Tax redemption million loan, 1870, collections	29,722 13
Workhouse, collections	6,934 32
Total	$602,400 70
Balance on hand May 31, 1870	50,827 15
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By Home of Aged and Infirm, disbursements for	$50 00
Bureau of City Attorney, office expenses, disbursements for	24 00
City Attorney and employes, disbursements for	3,491 60
Contingent, 1870, disbursements for	13 50
Consolidated loan tax, 1870, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	62,965 00
Cemeteries, disbursements for	26 25
Commissioners New Orleans Park, return of loan on account	10,000 00
Courthouses, 1871, disbursements for	100 00
Consolidated loan tax, 1869, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	10,414 75
Contingent, 1871, disbursements for	1,615 20
City notes in suspense, disbursements for	510 00
Consolidated loan tax, 1862, Bank of New Orleans Fiscal Agent	5 11
Department of Finance, office expenses, disbursements for	70 50
Department of Assessments, office expenses, disbursements for	271 00
Department of Improvements, office expenses, disbursements for	212 80
Department of Police, office expenses, disbursements for	137 50
Department of Public Accounts, office expenses, disbursements for	122 10
Drainage, disbursements for	3,975 48
Employes in Mayor's office, disbursements for	1,450 00
Employes in City Hall building, disbursements for	410 00
Employes of Council, disbursements for	150 00
Employes in Department of Police, disbursements for	764 00
Employes in Department of Finance, disbursements for	3,803 66
Employes in Department of Assessments, disbursements for	5,789 00
Employes in Department of Improvements, disbursements for	816 67
Employes in Bureau of Streets, disbursements for	5,814 98
Employes in Bureau of Wharves and Landings, disbursements for	3,499 96
Employes in Bureau of Drainage, disbursements for	250 00
Employes in cemeteries and City Park, disbursements for	343 00
Employes in public pounds, disbursements for	799 92
Employes in House of Refuge for Boys, disbursements for	890 00
Employes in House of Refuge for Girls, disbursements for	150 00
Employes in Workhouse, disbursements for	1,083 30
Employes in public squares, disbursements for	333 00
Employes in Department of Public Accounts, disbursements for	4,811 84
Employes in Department of Waterworks, disbursements for	1,750 10
Employes in Waterworks office, disbursements for	2,903 45
Employes in Waterworks proper, disbursements for	3,202 80
Employes in Insane Asylum, disbursements for	940 00
Fire Department, disbursements for	10,000 00
Fines and fees, disbursements for	32 50
Home for the Aged and Infirm, disbursements for	201 15
Houses of Refuge, 1870, disbursements for	81 75
House of Refuge for Boys, disbursements for	1,017 11
House of Refuge for Girls, disbursements for	173 44
Ice, disbursements for	52 00
Insane Asylum, disbursements for	872 75
Inquests, disbursements for	1,143 00
Interest on railroad bonds, 1869, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	2,354 25
Interest on Jefferson City bonds, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	563 00
Employes in Department of Commerce, disbursements for	358 37
Interest on seven per cent bonds, 1869, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	16,640 00
Interest on seven per cent bonds, 1870, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	17,500 00
Interest on Waterworks bonds, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	5,806 00
Interest on seven-thirty certificates, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	1,056 39
Interest on Administrator of Floating Debt certificates, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	560 00
Interest on wharf bonds, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	2,336 00
Interest on railroad bonds, 1862, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	1 36
Interest on railroad bonds, 1870, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	21,123 09
Jury service, disbursements for	2,322 00
Judgments, disbursements for	5,039 52
Library, disbursements for	7 65
Librarians, disbursements for	400 00
Lighting city, gas, disbursements for	1,134 49
Lighting city, oil, disbursements for	4,069 19
Law charges, disbursements for	7,610 94
Licenses, 1870, disbursements for	87 50
Mayor and seven Administrators, disbursements for	3,125 00
Mayor, disbursements for	173 00
Metropolitan Police warrants, 1870, warrants of 1870 received and charged out	335 64
Metropolitan Police tax, 1869, State Treasurer	12,052 55
Metropolitan Police tax, Fifth District, 1869, State Treasurer	12 00
Metropolitan Police tax, Sixth District, 1869, State Treasurer	76 50
Metropolitan Police warrants, 1871, in suspense, warrants of 1871 received and charged out	65,309 17
Metropolitan Police tax, 1870, State Treasurer	89,166 49
Morgan's wharf contract, disbursements for	4,838 05
New Orleans Park tax, 1869, Louisiana Savings Bank	11,916 49
New Orleans Park tax, 1870, Louisiana Savings Bank	15,950 13
Opening Royal street, disbursements for	450 00
Opening Chartres street, disbursements for	600 00
Printing proceedings of Council, disbursements for	773 20
Printing and promulgating ordinances, disbursements for	162 00
Printing advertisements, disbursements for	143 00
Public squares, 1871, disbursements for	7 75
Parish Prison, 1871, disbursements for	445 00
Public pounds, disbursements for	164 00
Public sinks, disbursements for	25 00
Pontchartrain railroad tax, 1871, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	131 11
Public schools, 1871, disbursements for	2,036 70
Rents, disbursements for	1,200 00
Repairs to schoolhouses, disbursements for	60 75
Repairs to courthouses, disbursements for	1,421 75
Repairs to stations, disbursements for	276 00
Recording births and deaths, disbursements for	113 15
Recorders' courts, 1870, disbursements for	5,176 05
Redemption of wharf bonds, disbursements for	3,333 33
Sanitary expenses, disbursements for	200 00
Sanitary inspectors, disbursements for	1,600 00
Surveyor and employes, disbursements for	3,244 91
Surveyor, disbursements for	32 80
Support of orphans, disbursements for	778 49
Street repairs, disbursements for	24,079 17
Tax redemption, million loan, 1869, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	8,002 98
Tax redemption, million loan, 1870, Bank of New Orleans, Fiscal Agent	29,722 13
Wages, streets, disbursements for	13,913 05
Wages, wharves and landings, disbursements for	1,877 30
Wages, drainage, disbursements for	2,076 98
Wharves and landings, repairs, disbursements for	5,794 42
Waterworks, fuel, etc., disbursements for	2,198 94
Workhouse, disbursements for	985 56
Total	$551,573 55
Balance	50 827 15
On hand May 31, 1871	$602,400 70

JOHN S. WALTON, Administrator of Finance.

Appropriations.

Appropriations for Firemen's Charitable Association, $10,000; Thomas H. Williams, $175; John W. Madden, $8; Henry Bezou, $150, and W. & L. E. Gurley, $280 01, were passed.

An appropriation of $200 was finally passed, and referred to the Mayor with power, the question being out of what fund the amount should be paid.

The bill of Leeds & Co., $16,619 70, for drainage machinery supplied to replace the machine seized by Mrs. Gaines, was passed and made a special order.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Improvements, for the month of May, 1871.

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, 1871, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts draw his warrants on the Administrator of Finance in payment of the same:

EXPENDITURES OF THE DEPARTMENT PROPER.

John W. Madden, stationery	$28 95
Leonard & Maxwell, livery of horse	50 00— $78 95

EXPENDITURES OF THE BUREAU OF STREETS.

J. J. O'Hara, shelling Locust street	$180 86
John Moylan, intersections on St. Charles avenue	136 73
William R. McShean, banquettes corner Freret and Second streets	36 20
S. W. Scott, intersections corner Camp and Common streets	81 05
William Henry, lumber	71 84
C. F. Mowers, oyster shells	10 00
J. L. Gubernator & Terry, timber	46 02
J. L. Gubernator & Terry, hauling bridge plates for St. Charles avenue	20 00
J. L. Gubernator & Terry, timber	24 60
M. Condran, oyster and lake shells	404 00
Blake & Tower, brooms, buckets, etc	46 00
Samuels & Oliver, lumber	300 15
T. O'Conner, use of steam fire engines for cleaning gutters	30 00
L. Lambert, rammers and bridge bars	41 00
M. Drascovich, rent of Superintendent of Streets' office, Second District, for May, 1871	30 00
Francis Noel, rent of Superintendent of Streets' office, Third District, for May, 1871	20 00
Frank Von der Haar, rent of Superintendent of Streets' office, Fourth District, for May, 1871	30 00
A. De Monasterio, rent of depot for the Second and Third Districts for May, 1871	20 00
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	130 11
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	43 00
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	64 50
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	10 75
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	175 00
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	82 17
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	408 54
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	341 42
W. F. Perkins, one flat desk	45 00
Weed & Kelly, stationery	32 25
William Henry, oyster shells	326 25
William Henry, ballast	447 00
William Henry, ballast	171 00
William Henry, ballast	350 75
William Henry, bank shells	2332 35
Michael Condran, oyster shells	1200 00
John W. Madden, stationery	160 85
Folger & Co., hardware	43 85—7893 24

EXPENDITURES OF THE BUREAU OF WHARVES AND LANDINGS.

E. L. Cope, towage and removing of nuisance boats during May, 1871	407 91
Gubernator & Terry, timber	472 37
Samuels & Oliver, lumber	130 70
M. Caufman & Co., old iron	11 44
Blake & Tower, brooms, buckets, etc	5 25
William Kneale, blacksmithing	25 10
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	21 50
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	221 45
William Henry, ballast	485 00
William Henry, ballast	461 25
William Henry, oyster shells	205 87—2447 84

EXPENDITURES OF THE BUREAU OF CITY DRAINAGE.

Hasam & Pooley, lumber	439 07
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	456 07
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	465 00
Bridge & Son, brick	56 00
Field & Bell, coal	365 00
Field & Bell, coal	386 90
Field & Bell, coal	335 80
Field & Bell, coal	328 50
Folger & Co., hardware	237 80
Folger & Co., hardware	28 35
Judgment—	
Louis Gagnet, draining into Carondelet canal and Bayou St. John	500 00
Samuel Jamison, lime	202 50—3800 99

EXPENDITURES OF THE SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

A. Hero, two copies of contract	8 00
John Brugniens, extension of gas brackets	4 00
W. J. McCracken, walnut lumber	18 20— 30 20
Total	$14,251 22

Read twice and laid over.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Police for the month of May, 1871.

Be it ordained, That the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Police for the month of May, 1871, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts draw his warrants on the Administrator of Finance in payment of the same:

ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE.

John W. Madden, blanks, blank books and stationery	$32 50—	$32 50

CITY WORKHOUSE.

Barrett & Wiemann, hardware, etc	$10 68	
Michael Bowen, milk, vegetables, etc	39 25	
Vizard & Wilmuth, wood and charcoal	61 00	
St. Cyr Fonreade, medecines furnished in April 1871	92 70	
John D. Maclin, forage furnished in January, 1871	115 67	
John D. Maclin, forage furnished in May, 1871	142 18	
Louis Ruch, fresh beef	181 39	
Daniel Moriarty, groceries and provisions	264 99—	907 86

BOYS' HOUSE OF REFUGE.

Barre Jacques, milk	18 60	
Joseph Pauter, purchase of sewing machine and needles	32 00	
Barrett & Wiemann, lime, hardware, etc	33 80	
Mrs. C. Fleckinger, vegetables	46 50	
Vizard & Wilmuth, wood and charcoal for bakery	79 50	
Louis Ruch, fresh beef	195 75	
Victor Pesson, groceries and provisions	267 98	
Victor Pessou, flour for the bakery	321 75	
Victor Pesson, flour for the bakery	323 75	
L. H. Gardner, material for clothing	329 75—	1,649 38

GIRLS' HOUSE OF REFUGE.

Vizard & Wilmuth, wood and charcoal	16 50	
Louis Ruch, fresh beef	20 25	
J. Nitsche, vegetables	23 25	
Victor Pessou, groceries and provisions	80 58—	140 58

LIGHTING CITY.

C. P. Briel, lighting Fifth District with oil	137 31	
Jefferson City Gas Company, lighting Sixth District with gas	1,305 91	
W. J. Behan, lighting city with oil	3,931 88	
New Orleans Gaslight Company, lighting city with gas	13,925 33—	19,300 43

PARISH PRISON.

W. J. Kelly, medicines supplied	81 60—	81 60

BURYING INDIGENT DEAD AND CONVEYING SICK TO HOSPITAL.

L. Guilland, burying indigent dead in the Fifth District	10 00	
R. Lorio, medicines supplied in Fifth District	49 90—	59 90

RECORDERS' COURTS.

First District—		
Albert Pittman, ice furnished in May, 1871	6 50	
John W. Madden, blanks and blank books	35 25	
Second District—		
John W. Madden, blanks, blank books and stationery	50 50	
Third District—		
John W. Madden, blanks, blank books and stationery	123 00	
Fourth District—		
Barrett & Wiemann, repairs to locks and doors of courtroom	13 75	
John W. Madden, blanks and stationery	43 25	
Fifth District—		
John W. Madden, blanks	5 50	
Sixth District—		
John W. Madden, blanks	5 50	
B. Campbell, expense for taking prisoners to prison	10 35—	293 60

PUBLIC POUNDS.

First District—		
James Wright, rent	30 00	
Second District—		
John R. Clay, rent	60 00	
Third District—		
J. Simon, rent	12 00	
Fourth District—		
James Coyle, rent	30 00	
Fifth District—		
New Orleans Republican, advertising sale of animals	8 00	
Charles Pillman, rent	15 00	
Sixth District—		
New Orleans Republican, advertising sale of animals	18 00—	173 00

PUBLIC SQUARES.

John W. Madden, blanks	10 00—	10 00
Total		$22,648 85

Read twice and laid over.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Waterworks and Public Buildings, for the month of May, 1871.

Be it ordained, That the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Waterworks and Public Buildings for the month of May, 1871, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts draw his warrants on the Administrator of Finance in payment of the same:

ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE.

J. H. Peters, lock and keys,	$5.

WATERWORKS.

Folger & Co., hardware	$357 41.
Robert Carey, replacing pavement	$497 20.
Robert Carey, replacing pavement	$147 85.
L. Hart, hauling pipes	$50 60.
C. Mathurin, replacing brick pavement	$41 35.
Hasam & Pooley, lumber	$189 66.
German Gazette, advertising notice	$9.
New Orleans Picayune, advertising notice	$9.
New Orleans Republican, advertising notice	$6.
New Orleans Times, advertising notice	$6.
J. Van Wickle, office rent	$83 30.

INSANE ASYLUM.

Joseph Palmeson, vegetables	$16 50.
L. Ruch, beef (two months)	$439 20.
C. Dunn, wood	$45.
Stetson & Armstrong, stationery	$51.
F. Garcia, tobacco	$41.
V. Pessou, groceries	$187 20.
A. E. Dick & Co., soap	$7 50.
D. Mercier, ticking, etc	116 34.
P. Clavel, drugs	$13 50.

HOME OF AGED AND INFIRM.

C. L. Chapotel, bath tub	$9.
J. Rykoski, 100 pounds of moss	$13 50.
L. Ruch, beef	$34 50.
A. E. Dick & Co., soap	$5 50.
F. Clavel, drugs	$10 70.
V. Pessou, groceries	$41 70.
James Ready, rent	$125.

COURTHOUSES.

M. Sanchez, repairing gutters	$35.
W. & J. McCracken, furniture	$364 50.
A. Brousseau & Co., mattings	$123 78.
J. T. Hamlin, box for gasometer, etc.	$13 50.

MARKETHOUSES.

J. T. Hamlin, repairs to Fruit market	$78.

CITY HALL.

Crescent City Ice Company, ice, one month	$78 75.

PUBLIC SINKS.

Sanitary and Fertilizing Company, cleaning privies	$375.

SUPPORT OF ORPHANS.

J. J. Clark, wood for St. Vincent Orphan Asylum	$20.
P. Keenan, forage for St. Vincent Orphan Asylum	$55.

Read twice and laid over.

By Mr. Shaw:

An ordinance appropriating money to defray the expenditures of the Department of Commerce for the month of May, 1871.

Be it ordained by the Council of the city of New Orleans, That the following sums of money, or as much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated to defray the expenditures of the Department of Commerce for the month of May, 1871, and that the Administrator of Public Accounts draw his warrants on the Administrator of Finance in payment of the same:

Price Current office, fifteen months' subscription, $15.

W. T. Redwood, repairing market scales, etc., $5.

J. H. Peters, locks, bolts and repairing, $14 85.

Read twice and laid over.

Mr. Walton called up a resolution to refund $219 43 to Mr. Hy. Kloppenberg, laid over May 2, which was passed.

Petitions and Communications.

Mr. Shaw presented the following communication to be printed:

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Office State Superintendent of Public Education, New Orleans, June 5, 1871.

To the City Council of New Orleans:

I beg leave to respectfully invite your attention to the question of school revenue in this city.

On the seventh day of April, 1871, I advanced $27,915 30 for the payment of the February roll of pay due to the public school teachers, the same to be deducted from the appropriation to be made this month.

The report of the State Treasurer, now in my hands, and the statement of that officer as to the funds likely to accrue in the treasury during the coming six months, convince me that the State will not be able to pay the whole amount needed to carry on the public schools of New Orle