

1888
January
25th

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council room on Wednesday, the 25th day of January A.D. 1888 Mayor Foster presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Ekstrom, Frei, Hennessey, Palmer & Zerbe.

The regular order of business was on motion, suspended, in order to proceed with the business for which the meeting was called, to wit: To appoint a day for registration, and to name the places where such registration and voting for a Representative for the Eleventh Congressional district of the State of Michigan is to be held.

It was, on motion,

Resolved, that Saturday the 11th day of February A.D. 1888 be and hereby is appointed as the day of Registration for the special election to be held on the 14th day of February A.D. 1888 for representation of the Eleventh Congressional district of the State of Michigan, and that said registration and election be held at the following places, and that the Recorder be instructed to have notices printed to that effect:

First Ward, at the Freight Depot of the Detroit & Mackinac Island and Atlantic Railway on Lake St.

Second Ward, at the New House on Spring Street.

Third Ward, at F.B. Spears Brick Barn on Ridge Street.

Fourth Ward, in the East Store of the Foster Block, Washington St.

Fifth Ward, at Mrs. Emil Buick House on Ohio Street, between Third & Fourth Streets.

On motion of Alderman Palmer, Seconded by Alderman Hennessey, it was

Resolved, that the time for collection, by the City Treasurer of taxes for the year 1887 be, and the same hereby is extended until the 1st day of March A.D. 1888.

The Chairman of the Committee on Police, claims, and grievances, to which was referred the resolution for the Council to appoint a purchasing committee of three, reported back and recommended that the Mayor be authorized to appoint the said committee; which recommendation was on motion sustained, and that the Mayor thereupon appointed as such committee Aldermen Hennessey, Palmer & Ekstrom.

The Committee of Police, claims, and grievances,

to which was referred sundry insurance bill of Peter White, reported back and recommended that the store house, instead of being insured for \$4,000, be insured for \$1,000; and that the Marshal's house be insured for \$750; instead of \$1,500; and that the Library Insurance be paid out of the Library Fund; and on Motion of Alderman Ekstrom, seconded by Alderman Gerber, the same was sustained.

On motion of Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Kennessey, it was

Resolved; That the City Treasurer be authorized upon the payment of the sewer tax for the building of sewer on Washington Street, assessed on lot no 9. Harlow's addition to S. of the City of Marquette, to give such a receipt that will exempt said lot from any further assessment for continuing said sewer west on Washington Street.

It was moved and carried that the opening of the bids for the Superior Street sewer be reserved till the regular meeting on February Fourth next.

The Council, then upon Motion adjourned.

Approved _____

Thomas Meads
Recorder

Samuel H. Nester,
Mayor

1888
February
4th

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Saturday the 4th day of February A. D. 1888. Alderman E. A. Whitmore in the chair.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Common
Frie, Hennessey, Steffernan, Palmer & Whitmore.

Alderman Estotrom arrived a few minutes later.

On motion of Alderman Palmer, the regular order was suspended to listen to the Hon Peter White, who rose to speak of the Matter of Insurance, stating that as the New house cost over \$6,000, and its Marshals house in proportion, he did not think \$4,000, on the former and \$1,500 on the latter, too much to carry, and if the said buildings were to burn and they had no more insurance than they proposed they would regret it, but of course he could not force the Council to insure for that amount if they did not wish to, but as regards the library, when he presented the City with the White Library, the Recorder building and the lot it stands on, it was especially stipulated that the City should keep the library insured and an ordinance was passed to that effect.

He had been requested to continue the insurance on the City buildings by two or three Mayors without notifying the authorities that the time had expired. He also stated that eleven years since, the City was paying \$400. per year rent for Council Rooms for several years when he gave the City the building and lot on which it stands, and two hundred dollars in Cash to fix the building in shape for City offices, thereby saving the City \$4,400, besides lately adding to the library \$2,000 and furnishing a room rent free for the Librarian.

He said he ^{or the same} had also loaned the City in the neighborhood of \$20,000 within a year and charged but 7. per cent, when he could readily have gotten 10. per cent, and he thought they might let the insurance stand as it is and the City would not be the loser.

Alderman Hennessey rose and stated that the City had been charged ten per cent for some of the money borrowed. Mr White stated that it was not so; that if, that if it was proved to be the case he would readily refund the difference. Alderman Hennessey said he had been so informed by one of Finance Committee; Whereupon Alderman Palmer

Chairman of said Committee stated that in looking over the City Treasurer's books it so appeared that 10. per cent had been charged for same. Whereupon Mr White said if it could be so proved the money would be refunded.

The Minutes of the Council meeting held January 7th and January 25th A. D. 1888. were then read and approved.

The petition of William Smith, asking to be allowed \$2. per day for the fifty one and $3\frac{1}{4}$ days he has worked for the City in blasting Rock for the prisoners to excavate, stating that he did the Blacksmith work and that it was dangerous work thawing out dynamite in winter, was read, and Alderman Hennessey moved, and Alderman ~~Cornors~~^{Frie} seconded that it be referred to the Street Committee, whereupon Alderman Heffernan, seconded by Alderman Cornors moved an amendment, that owing to the nature of the work, said Smith be allowed two dollars per day for the time he had worked, which amendment was carried, and the original motion lost.

Ayes, Aldermen Cornors, Frie, Heffernan, and Wetmore, Nays, Ekstrom, Hennessey and Palmer.

The seven different bids for the Construction of the Superior Street Sewer were then opened and read by the Chairman of the Street Committee. That of John Swanson was sixty four cents - twenty two cents lower than the next lowest bid. When Alderman Hennessey stated it was discovered that to properly drain the dwellings on the north side of Superior street it would be necessary for said sewer to be ten feet deep. Whereupon Alderman Palmer, who had promised to become Bondsmen for the said John Swanson stated that, such being the case, he could not become bondsmen, as the bid - 64 cents he considered too low for that depth of sewer.

Then it was moved by Alderman Hennessey and seconded by Alderman Ekstrom, and carried that none of the said bids be accepted.

Moved by Alderman Hennessey, and seconded by Alderman Heffernan and carried, that the Recorder be and hereby is instructed to advertise for new bids for the said Superior Street Sewer, specifying that it must be ten feet from the point connecting with the sewer already built up to Third Street; from there up to Fourth Street up to

depth specified in the plans of Chester B. Davis.

Alderman Palmer Chairman of the Finance Committee, said that according to the statement of the City Treasurer, the City is indebted to the County, School and Water Board; he thereupon offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Alderman Frie, and carried:

Resolved: By the Common Council ^{of the City of} Marquette, that the City Recorder and Mayor be, and they are hereby, authorized to issue orders to the City Treasurer not to exceed the sum of Fifteen Thousand dollars, bearing interest at seven per cent per annum, and to fall due three months from this date, to be negotiated by the said Treasurer at not less than their face value, and the proceeds to be used as follows: Twelve Thousand two hundred and fifty three and 9/100 dollars, to be paid to the County Treasurer as state and County taxes; Two thousand one hundred and forty and 35/100 dollars to be paid to the water board as water fund; and five hundred dollars to be paid to the Board of School inspectors on account of the Library Fund, and the balance placed to the credit of the general fund.

After the bills presented for payment were read off by the Recorder it was discovered that \$15,000. would not be sufficient, where Alderman Wetmore suggested that the resolution granting the above amount should be reconsidered, which was therefore on motion, reconsidered, and on motion of Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Heffernan, it was moved and carried, that the said amount be and is hereby changed to \$16,000 instead of \$15,000.

Ayes Alderman Connor, Ekstrom, Frie, Heffernan, Palmer and Wetmore; nays, none.

Alderman Ekstrom, Chairman of the Committee on Police Claims and Grievances, reported back and recommended that the bills of Hon F. D. Clark, H. J. Hopkins, and Byron & Blackland referred said Committee, be paid, and the same were on motion allowed.

The report of L. P. Craig, stating that since his last report he had collected in City cases the sum of one dollar and paid same to the City Treasurer was, on motion accepted.

The report of T. Meade J. P. stating that since his last report he had collected in City cases, twelve dollars and paid the same to the City Treasurer was on

on motion accepted.

John Flynn presented his bill for the balance due on his Rock Street Snow Contract, amounting to \$877⁵⁰/₁₀₀, and on motion of Alderman Connors seconded by Alderman Hennessey, he was allowed the sum of Seven hundred ^{and Seventy Five} dollars and 50¹⁰⁰/₁₀₀ dollars (\$777⁵⁰/₁₀₀) the balance, one hundred dollars (\$100⁰⁰/₁₀₀) to be retained until he shall have left the said Street in good condition in the Spring.

Alderman Hennessey then read the following: "Whereas, it appears by records and files in the Office of the Recorder of the City of Marquette, that the City Council notified the Superintendant of the Duluth South Shore and Atlantic Railway, that there should be a Flagman at the Railroad Crossings on Jackson and Hennessey Streets; and nothing having been done by the Company in the matter.

Resolved, that the Street Committee be empowered to take such action as shall be necessary to compel said Company to place Flagmen on the aforesaid Streets, and also on the Crossings of Fourth and Fifth Streets of this City." Which said Resolution was, on motion carried.

On motion of ^{alderman} Ekstrom, seconded by Alderman Palmer the following was offered:

Resolved: That the Marshal be and is hereby directed to suspend working city prisoners upon the streets until the further order of the Council.

Thereupon Alderman Hennessey, seconded by Alderman Connors, moved an amendment that the matter be referred to the Street Committee, which which was carried and the original motion lost. Ayes, Alderman Connors, Frie Hennessey, and Heffernan, Nays, Alderman Ekstrom Palmer and Wetmore.

On Motion of Alderman Hennessey, seconded by Alderman Frie, The special assessment roll for the Construction of a Snow on Rock Street, from Front Street to Fifth Street was confirmed and approved, and The Recorder was instructed to hand said assessment roll over to the city Treasurer for collection.

The following bills were, on motion, ordered paid:

B. F. Mullally (St. Edmund) pay roll for January, 1905. 88.
J. C. Mc Guire, Repairing snow plow, harness &c 8.25
Herring Journal Co, pub proceedings 3 meetings

Registration & Election & other notices, Order Book &c	45	70
Marquette Gas Light Co, Lighting City Jail	6	50
John Flynn, on a/c of his Rock St Sweets Contract	777	50
L. P. Crary, Trial of Prisoners	3	00
L. P. Crary Registration and other notices	21	00
Der Handen an Lake Superior Registration Notices	8	00
J. Meade Trial of Prisoners in January	17	00
Michael Ryan Board of Prisoners in January	160	69
Gooding & Ormsbee, 8. paid Hoolen Motts	1	75
James Pickando & Co, Coal Recorder's Office, Jail & Blacksmithing	61	88
Lake Superior Powder Co, 50 ^{lbs} Excelsior & other powders	20	00
C. H. Caldwell 350 feet fence	3	50
F. O. Clark, Legal advice on Board of Prisoners	75	00
H. J. Hopkins, Sundries at the City Jail	19	78
William Smith Extra allowance for 57 3/4 days work (Hasting Ave)	12	92
Ayes Alderman Cornrows, Ekstrom, Frie, Hennessy, Heffernan, Palmer and Wetmore, Nays none.		

Moved by Alderman Heffernan, and seconded by Alderman Cornrows that the insurance on the City buildings be the same as last year, whereupon considerable discussion ensued, and Alderman Hennessy stated that seeing the hose house is equipped with all the apparatus necessary for extinguishing fires, the Committee to which was referred the said insurance bill, thought \$1000. on said hose house and \$750. on the Marshal's house sufficient insurance to carry; thereupon a vote was taken and the above motion lost.

Ayes Alderman Heffernan, Nays, Aldermen Cornrows, Ekstrom, Frie Hennessy and Palmer, Alderman Wetmore not voting, stating he was absent when the matter was voted on at last meeting.

The Recorder stated that he had referred the septimia bills to the superintendent of the Poor - M. H. Maynard - as per resolution at last Regular Council meeting - who said he could not pay them as he had not ordered said bills. Then it was, Moved by Alderman Cornrows seconded by Alderman Ekstrom and carried that the aforesaid septimia bills be sent in to the County for payment.

The Council then upon motion adjourned
Approved March 3^d 1888.

Thomas Meade
Recorder

Samuel Vester,
Mayor

156
1888
February
16th

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Thursday, the 16th day of February A.D. 1888. Mayor Foster presiding.

At Roll call there were present Aldermen Connors, Ekstrom, Hennessey, Heffernan, Palmer, Pohl and Gabel, Aldermen Rice and Wetmore arrived shortly after.

On motion of Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Connors, the regular order was dispensed with.

Respecting the Superior Street Sewer, Alderman Palmer suggested that seeing that the large wooden sewer on the lower portion of Superior Street cannot last intact very much longer, an earthen sewer be laid in said wooden sewer to connect with the new sewer to be built on that street, which was, on motion sustained, and it was,

Resolved by Alderman Heffernan, seconded by Alderman Connors and carried, that the City Attorney and Alderman Hennessey, retire to draw up a resolution for the Superior Street Sewer.

On motion of Alderman ^{Palmer}, seconded by Alderman Connors the following Ordinance was passed:

An ordinance to establish harbor limits and to repeal all ordinances inconsistent herewith.

It is hereby ordained by the Common Council of the City of Marquette.

Section 1. That the following shall be and is hereby established as the boundary line, along the harbor of this city, beyond which no structure shall be erected in said harbor, to wit:

Beginning at a point in the west side of the government breakwater, seven hundred and ninety feet from the shore end thereof and running thence south eighty seven degrees west one thousand forty feet to a point six hundred and sixty three feet south along the east edge of the Isaac Furnace pier from a Brass Pash (one and one half in diameter) in the center of Lake Street - Thence south eighty seven degrees west three hundred and eighty five feet - Thence south twenty four degrees west, three thousand two hundred and thirty five feet to a point nine hundred feet from the outer end of A. R. Harbor's pier - Thence south seventeen degrees east to the east and West subdivision quarter line produced of Section twenty six Township forty eight, North of Range twenty five west.

Section 2. No person, company or corporation shall erect

or maintain any dock, wharf or other structure beyond said limits in said harbor, as defined in section one of this ordinance.

Section 3. Any person, Company or Corporation violating the provisions of section two of this ordinance by erecting or attempting to erect or maintain any dock, wharf or other structure in said harbor beyond said harbor limits, as defined in section one of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof before a Court of competent jurisdiction, pay a penalty of Five hundred dollars, and every forty eight hours continuance of said structure shall be deemed a new violation of this ordinance.

Section 4. All ordinances of this City inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Ayes, Aldermen Connors, Ekstrom, Hennessy, Hoffman, Palmer, Rohl and Wetmore: Nays, Aldermen Frie and Gerber.

The following Resolution was offered by Alderman Wetmore and seconded by Alderman Ekstrom, and lost:

Resolved: That the Street Committee be and is hereby ^{authorized} to enter into a contract with N. D. Hodgkins for removing two hundred or more cords of rock from Michigan Street between Pine and Spruce Streets at one and half dollar per cord. Said Hodgkins to securely cover or weigh down his blasts with logs chained together and to give a bond with one or more good and sufficient sureties in the sum of dollars, conditional for the payment of all damages done by reason of any blasting in the course of removing said rock.

Ayes, Aldermen Ekstrom, Frie, Palmer and Wetmore. Nays, Aldermen Connors, Hennessy, Hoffman, Rohl and Gerber. Several amendments were offered to the above resolution but were not carried.

Moved by Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Frie, and carried, that the Street Committee be authorized to find the center of Adams Street in front of Daniel Brittle's property, and to employ an engineer for that purpose.

Alderman Palmer inquired of the Chairman of the Street Committee to know if the said Committee were ready to report on the matter in reference to the City measures

who said it was not, Thereupon on motion of Alder-
Palmer seconded by Alderman Fie, the following
resolution was carried;

Resolved; That the Recorder be instructed to sentence
known City premises to work on the streets.

On motion of Alderman Hinnessey, seconded by
Alderman Rohl, the following resolution was unanimously
carried;

Resolved;

That an 8. inch (eight inch) sewer be con-
structed from the bay to Fourth Street, as follows:
commencing at a point in the Bay, south of the Cleveland
dock, where the top of the sewer will be three feet under
water, thence on a true grade to a point under the
center of Lake Street, thence along the bottom of said
wooden where the wooden sewer now constructed in
superior street crosses said center of Lake Street, thence
along the bottom of said ^{wooden} sewer to the western terminus
thereof, thence on a ^{true} grade to a point ten feet below
the surface at the intersection of the centers of Superior
and Third Streets, thence to the intersection of the cen-
ters of Superior and Fourth Streets in accordance with
the Davis storage system, said sewer to be given proper
bearing and firmly secured on bottom of wooden sewer,
the wooden sewer to be left as near as practicable
in its present condition.

On motion, the recorder was instructed to advertise
for bids for the construction of said sewer.

An error having been made in the special as-
sessment roll for the for the Rock Street sewer, which the
Recorder satisfactorily explained, the City assessor sub-
mitted to the Council a corrected assessment roll for the
construction of a sewer on Rock Street between Front
Street and Fifth Street, which on being examined was
approved and accepted by the Council and the Recorder
was instructed to give notice, as required by the City
Charter, that the Common Council would meet on the
third day of March A. D. 1888. to consider the final
confirmation of said roll.

The Council then, upon motion, adjourned
Approved March 3rd 1888.

Thomas Maas
Recorder

Timothy Norton
Mayor

1888
March
3rd

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Rooms on Saturday, the Third day of March A. D. 1888. Mayor Foster presiding.

At Roll Call there were present Aldermen Connor, Ekstrom, Frie, Hennessey, Heffernan, Palmer and ^{20th} Gerbel.

Moved and Carried that the Regular order of business be suspended, when Mr. A. Watson, of the D. S. S. & A. Railway Company, presented the following Communication:

To the honorable the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette, Mich.

Gentlemen: - I respectfully call your attention, on behalf of the Duluth South Shore and Atlantic Railway Company, to the recent ordinance establishing and defining the harbor limits of the City of Marquette.

The Company wants to extend the dock known as the Marquette and Western, eight hundred feet, and the old M. N. & O. dock two hundred and twenty five feet. The ordinance allows two hundred feet for the M. N. & O. dock and only six hundred and fifty feet for the Marquette and Western dock.

The Company cannot build a new dock from the shore for the reason that it would bring the docks too close together, which would create extra expense in towing and handling vessels, and would also extend discrimination against the port of Marquette.

As each year passes, competition between the different shipping ports becomes sharper, and I am confident that it is not the intention of the Common Council to do anything that would discriminate against the City.

It is hardly necessary to point out that in order to increase the shipments of iron ore, it is necessary to increase the size of the present docks. I therefore respectfully ask that the ordinance be so amended that the M. N. & O. dock can be extended two hundred and twenty five feet, and the Marquette and Western dock eight hundred feet.

Yours Respectfully,
A. Watson.

General Superintendent
D. S. S. & A. Railway Co.

At the Request of the Council Messrs A. Watson, W. P. Kaley and John Murphy addressed the meeting on the same matter.

On motion of Alderman Zerbe, seconded by Alderman Hennessy the following, the following ordinance was then adopted:

An ordinance to establish harbor limits and repeal all ordinances inconsistent herewith.

It is hereby ordained by the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

Section 1. That the following shall be and is hereby established as the boundary line, along the harbor of this city, beyond which no structure shall be erected in said harbor to wit: Beginning at a point in the West side of the government Breakwater seven hundred and seventy feet from the shore end thereof and running thence south, eighty seven degrees West, one thousand and forty feet to a point six hundred and sixty three feet south along the East end of the Grace Furnace pier from a brass post (one and one half inches in diameter) in the centre of Lake Street; thence south, eighty seven degrees West three hundred and eighty five feet; thence south twenty and one half degrees West three thousand one hundred and ninety feet to a point Eleven hundred and twenty five feet from the outer end of A. R. Harlow's Pier; thence south twelve and three quarters degrees East to the East and West sub-division quarter line, produced, of section twenty six in township forty eight north of Range twenty five West.

Section 2. No person Company, or Corporation shall erect or maintain any dock, wharf or other structure beyond said limits in said harbor as defined in section one of this ordinance.

Section 3. Any person Company or Corporation violating the provisions ^{of section two} of this ordinance by erecting or attempting to erect or maintain any dock, wharf or other structure in said harbor beyond said harbor limits as defined in section one of this ordinance, shall upon conviction thereof before a Court of competent jurisdiction pay a fine of five hundred dollars, and every forty eight hours continuance of said structure shall be deemed a new violation of this ordinance.

Section 4. All ordinances of this city inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby Repealed.

The ordinance adopted February 16th 1888, entitled "An ordinance to establish harbor limits and repeal all ordinances inconsistent herewith" is hereby

Ordinance extending Harbor Limits.
Repealed March 3rd 1894

Repealed. Ayes Aldermen Cornors, Ekstrom, Fri, Hennessey, Jeffernow, Rohl and Zerbe. Nays, none. Alderman Palmer not voting.

The regular order of business was, on motion, resumed. The minutes of the Council meetings held February 4th and February 16th a. d. 1888. were read and approved.

The petition of Frank Pencil and twelve ^{others} asking that an 18. inch sewer be laid on Superior ^{street} instead of 8. inch, as advertised, was on motion, referred to the Street Committee.

The bids for the construction of aforesaid 8. inch sewer were, on motion of Alderman Cornors rejected.

The petition of Dennis Parrott asking to be allowed to erect a frame house on Rock Street was, on motion allowed.

The petition of residents and property owners on Washington Street asking that an 18. inch sewer be constructed between Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Street on said Washington Street, was, on motion, referred to the Street Committee.

The petition of Martin M. Foley and nineteen others asking that "Spring Street be kept clear of snow in front of vacant lot 4. Block 4. in front of Mr Harlow's Lot; also lots 1. and 3. block 4." was referred to the Street Committee.

The special assessment roll for the construction of a sewer on Rock Street, from Front to Fifth Street, was, on motion confirmed approved and accepted, and the recorder instructed to hand said assessment roll over to the City-Treasurer for collection.

On motion, the following Resolution was passed:
Resolved, That Saturday, the 31st day of March a. d. 1888. be and hereby is appointed as the day of registration for the annual election to be held on Monday, the second day of April a. d. 1888, and that said registration and election be held at the following places, and that the Recorder be instructed to have notices printed to that effect.

First Ward, at the D. M. & M. Depot Lake Street.

Second Ward, at the House House, on Spring St.

Third Ward at Nelson Hodgkins Livery Office on Pine Street, between Ark and Michigan Streets.

Fourth Ward, at the cash store in the Hotel Block, ^{Washington St.}

Fifth Ward, at Mrs Emil Biersch's house, on Ohio Street, between Third & Fourth Streets.

The Street Committee, to which was referred the

Matter of Railroad Crossings, reported back, and Alderman Hennessey stated that he had seen Mr Watson, who promised to place flagmen at Third and Fourth Streets, and said that as they were doing very little business in the Rolling Mill district this winter, they would place flagmen there in the spring; whereupon Alderman Connors said there should be flagmen placed at the crossings on Lake Street by the Edwards' House, and at the end on Genessee Street, without delay, as it is ^{very dangerous} and on motion, the Chairman of the Street Committee was instructed to see Mr Watson about the matter.

Alderman Palmer offered the following, which was on motion carried,

It is deemed expedient by the Electric Light Committee and the Mayor, to keep open the Electric Light bids to night from information they have received. Therefore, we move that the bids be laid over till our next annual meeting on the 7th day of April A. D. 1888.

The annual report of the Board of Fire and Water Commissioners was read and on motion approved and accepted and ordered placed on File; which is as follows

To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette.

In pursuance of the provisions of the City Charter the board of fire and Water Commissioners submit herewith their official Report for the year ending December 31st 1887. being their annual Report;

The total amount received from all sources during the year is as follows:

Water Rates	\$12,946.58
Permits	1,101.92
Pipe Laying	6.39
	<u>\$14,054.89.</u>
City of Marquette Tax Levy 1886.	4,600.00
" " " " 1887.	19,450.30
	<u>24,050.30</u>
	38,105.19
Cash on hand Jan 1 st 1887.	2,264.75
	<u>\$40,369.94.</u>
Total disbursements during year as follows:	
Pumpings	\$6,166.22
Machinery Repair	612.37
Repairs, Engine house, Pipes, Hydrants &c	195.53
House, house repairs	97.94

service pipe	\$	768	60
General Expenses		1281	63
Fire department		2772	73
Rebate of Water Rates		35	79
\$ 11,930.81			

For permanent improvements

New Water Mains laid	\$	17586	86
New Fire Hydrants		1503	29
Swelling repairs, tests & Fire department Equipment		175	79
New water pipe on hand not laid			3821 46
Interest and exchange on bonds			4716 52
\$ 39,734.73			
Cash on hand January 1 st 1888.			635 21
40,369.90			

The liabilities of the board are in the form of bonds outstanding and mature as follows:

July 1 st 1888	\$	15	000	00
January 1 st 1890		14	000	00
" 1 st 1891		35	000	00
" 1 st 1896		11	000	00
\$ 75,000.00				

New bonds will be issued to take up the bonds maturing in July next.

New mains were laid during the year as follows:

8. inch pipe		2,070	feet
6. " "		9150	"
4. " "		9080	"
1. " "		215	" 20 575 feet

Pipe on hand of different sizes not laid about 7500.
Total length of water mains now laid in the city is 60,786 feet or about 11 1/2 miles. The total number of fire hydrants is 99.

There have been during the year twenty fires, causing an aggregate loss of \$10,440. only partially insured.

For a detailed statement of receipts and disbursements, fees, operation of fire department, etc, you are respectfully referred to the report of the secretary of the board.

A. M. Wilkinson

F. O. Blair

Oster White

C. E. Moore

Board of Fire and Water Commissioners February 27th 1888.

On motion of Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Connors, the following resolution was passed:

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Marquette that the time for the collection of the assessment for grading, curbing and macadamizing Fisher Street from Fourth to Fifth Streets be, and is hereby extended till April 7th A. D. 1888. and the return day of the warrant for said collection and said warrant be extended to, and including the said 7th day of April 1888.

The following bills were on motion ordered paid:

P. F. McCallally February pay roll	91.75+
Edward Fraser Lumber in Feb	2 06
Dr J. A. Desjardins ^{of presence city} for attendance at Jail	2 50
H. H. Stafford & Son, Stationery, Ink, Blotter & Book & C from Aug 6 th 1886 to Feb 1888	19 25
H. H. Stafford & Son, Medicine at Jail	6 20
Mayor Foster, Rent of House two days for Reg & Election	6 00
Mrs Emil Bieroch " of House " " " "	8 00
John Connors 2 days on Board of " " "	6 00
Thomas Hoffman " " " " " " "	6 00
Michael Hennessy " " " " " " "	6 00
Carl Rohd " " " " " " "	6 00
L. C. Palmer " " " " " " "	6 00
E. A. Wetmore " " " " " " "	6 00
Red Frii " " " " " " "	6 00
Patrick Reyes " " " " " " "	6 00
John A. Easton " " " " " " "	6 00
Julius F. Zabel " " " " " " "	6 00
Alfred E. Finney ^{claims of} Election	3 00
William Higgins " " " "	3 00
August Macchts " " " "	3 00
William C. Clary " " " "	3 00
A. H. Palmer " " " "	3 00
William A. Jellison " " " "	3 00
Carl J. Lamsen " " " "	3 00
John Finlayson " " " "	3 00
W. S. Glasier " " " "	3 00
Peter White Insurance on how how, Marshals ^{for meeting in} house & Recorder's Office	46 75
L. F. Beale, Rent of house for Blacksmith shop	5 00
Mary Maney, Cleaning Council Rooms & Recorder's Office	5 00
White Packard Co, Nails, Shovelings & Saw Shovel	12 70
L. C. Palmer, Cash paid for Lamp for Mayor Election Light Commission	2 00

J. Meads trial of prisoners	6	165
Michael Ryan, board of prisoners in Feb	106	25
Mining Journal, Election, Registration & other statistics		76
publishing proceedings & meeting	52	30
John J. Mullally, hauling 3. load		75
George A. Burtis, surveyors monument & plates	10	00
M. R. Mankard, Fire shop harness		85

ages Aldermen Cornors, Ekstrom, Friis, Ammery,
 Steffernow, Palmer, Kohl and Byerly. Maps none.

Moved and carried that the street committee
 decide whether it should be an 18 inch, or a 12.
 inch sewer on Superior Street, and report on Tuesday
 next.

On motion, the Council adjourned till Tuesday
 the 6th day of March A.D. 1888, at 7.30. P.M.

Thomas Meads
 Recorder

Timothy Martin
 Mayor.

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March
6th

An adjourned regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council room on Tuesday, the 6th day of March A. D. 1888. Mayor Foster presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Conway, Ekstrom, Fee, Hennessey, Jeffers, Palmer, Roth, and Gerber.

The regular order of business was on motion resumed. The City Treasurer presented the following report, which was, on motion accepted, and adopted and ordered placed on file:

City Treasurer's Office.

Marquette Mich, Feb 28th 1888.

To the honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Marquette,

Gentlemen, In compliance with the requirements of your City Charter I herewith submit the following report showing the receipts and disbursements of your city for the year ending February 28th A. D. 1888.

Receipts.

Cash on hand February 23. 1887	\$	4	965	01
Balance of taxes collected to Feb 1. 1887		2	870	95
Received from Liquor License 1887		11	880	00
" " Taxes 1883	\$	9	76	
" " " 1884		242	72	
" " " 1885		1	235	90
" " " 1886		1	469	57
Taxes collected for 1887		2	957	95
Received interest on Taxes from Co Treasurer	\$	55	468	20
Primary School fund		2	58	04
Received for Fines " " "		2	193	08
" " " " Thomas Meads			293	45
" " " " L. P. Gray			248	30
" " License issued			26	00
" from Street Commissioner for side walk collector			616	00
" for Street improvement Roll			857	53
" from Sale of Library shelves		3	335	90
" " Board Master M. Stank			15	00
" " R. R. French for sewer pipe			10	50
" " City Order No 4025 discounted by bank			13	50
" " " " " 4026 " " "		10	000	00
" " " " " " " " " " "		6	000	00
	\$	102	009	41

Disbursements

Paid out standing loan	\$ 15 000 00
General fund orders	15 100 50
" Highway "	10 428 27
" School " "	16 346 85
" Water " "	24 740 85
" Library " "	844 95
" Interest on loans	525 66
" State and County Taxes	12 866 06
Cash on hand	6 156 27
	<u>\$ 102 009 41</u>

Ledger Balances

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Cash	\$ 6 156 27	
General Fund		\$ 32 345 20
Highway Fund	36 193 28	
School Fund		6 902 43
Water "		11 059 15
State and County		5 905 90
General Taxes	25 534 28	
Library Fund		1 088 00
Delinquent Taxes	242 70	
Loan account		16 000 00
Marquette County	3 908 46	
Sevent Street	38 85	
Front "	20 00	
Washington "	9 42	
Fourth "	21 00	
Cedar "	70 00	
Third "	223 55	
High "	41 00	
Market "	21 00	
Washington & Third St Sewer	123 60	
Ohio Street	74 34	
Superior "	47 50	
Third "	80 00	
Michigan "	66 38	
Washington St Sewer	245 65	
Fourth "	21 25	
Fisher	162 15	
	<u>\$ 73,300.68</u>	<u>\$ 73,300.68</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted

Peter F. Frie

City Treasurer

The Recorder presented his annual report, specifying the number of orders issued during the fiscal year ending February 28th. A.D. 1888. The amount for which each order was drawn and for what purpose applied, by which it is shown that the entire amount for which orders had been drawn was Twenty five thousand four hundred and forty one and 33/100 dollars (\$25,441.33.) and charged to the following accounts.

Board of Review	180	00
Gas	1,362	00
Insurance	36	75
Accidental	174	99
Justice	166	50
Jail	1,491	70
Police	2,305	00
Park & Cemetery	1,318	22
Printing	691	58
Registration & Election	204	00
Salaries	2,542	00
Surveying	1,188	25
Legal Expenses	75	00
General "	1,205	99
Library Fund	51	50
Rock Crusher	40	17
Snow Plow	189	60
Michigan St. Siver & Rock Cur	696	00
Street Improvements	1,236	35
Highway orders	10,285	76

which was on motion referred to the Finance Committee, said committee not having examined the report.

The report of Street Commissioner P. F. Mullally, was read and on motion accepted and ordered placed on file.

Alderman Hennessey offered the following resolution which was, on motion, adopted:

Be it hereby, Resolved, That a sewer be laid on Superior Street in the City of Marquette, from the Lake to Fourth Street, said sewer to be laid at the depth of Eighteen inches under water at the point of starting from the Lake, and to be a depth of eight ^{feet} where Lake Street intersects Superior Street; to be twelve feet deep where Fourth Street intersects with Superior Street, thence to a point two hundred feet west of the West line of Fourth Street

at a depth of twelve feet, thence on a true grade to the intersection of Third Street to a depth of ten feet; thence West to the centre of Fourth Street to a depth of ten feet. Size of sewer pipe to be eighteen inches in diameter from the Lake to Third Street, and twelve inches from Third to Fourth Street. Two Y's to be for every twenty-five feet of said sewer each alternate Y. to be laid in opposite directions.

The opening of said Y's to be not less than six inches in diameter, and said openings to be securely cemented. The Street Committee are authorized to make any alterations they may deem proper while said sewer is under construction, and be it further,

Resolved, that the Recorder be authorized to advertise for bids for the construction of said sewer, as the Charter provides.

The bill of Charles C. Vanederstine of Four x 75⁰⁰ dollars for damage to the roof of his house in Blasting Rock by the City, was presented by Alderman Gerbel, who moved that it be allowed. Alderman Hennessy moved an amendment that it be referred to the Street Committee, who could examine the extent of the damage, which on a vote of Yeas and Nays was lost, and the original motion carried. Yeas, Aldermen Connors, Ekstrom, Palmer, Roth & Gerbel. Nays, Aldermen Fox, Hennessy and Keffernan.

The Council, then upon motion adjourned.

Thomas Meads
Recorder

Timothy Neiter
Mayor.

1888

March
17th

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Saturday, the 17th day of March A. D. 1888, Alderman Palmer, on motion presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Connors, Ekstrom, Rei, Hennessy, Hefferman, Palmer and Rohl.

On motion of Alderman Ekstrom, the regular order of business was suspended.

The bids for the Superior Street sewer were then opened, that of Edward Powell being \$12³/₄ per lineal foot from the Lake to Third Street, and from thence to Fourth Street at \$12⁵/₈. and that of John Berg and Peter Munson one dollar & 25⁰/₁₀₀ dollars (\$12⁵/₈ per lineal foot for the whole distance from the Lake to Fourth Street.

Moved by Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Ekstrom and Carriek, that the contract for constructing the sewer on Superior Street be awarded to John Berg and Peter Munson for one dollar and twenty five cents (\$12⁵/₈ per lineal foot.

Moved and Carriek, that the bonds of Berg and Munson be and are hereby accepted.

On motion of Alderman Hennessy seconded by Alderman Ekstrom, the following ordinance was adopted:

It is hereby ordained by the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

Section 1. That a sewer be laid on Superior Street in the City of Marquette, from the Lake to Fourth Street, said sewer to be laid at a depth of eighteen inches under water at a point of starting from the lake, and to be a depth of eight feet when Lake Street intersects Superior Street. To be twelve feet deep where Front Street intersects with Superior Street. Thence to a point two hundred feet west of the West line of Front Street at a depth of twelve feet; thence on a true grade to the intersection of Third Street to a depth of ten feet; Thence west to the center of Fourth Street to a depth of ten feet. Size of sewer pipe to be eighteen inches in diameter from the Lake to Third Street and twelve inches from Third to Fourth Streets. Two Y's to be laid for every twenty five feet of said sewer, each alternate Y. to be laid in opposite directions.

The opening of said Y's to be not less than six

inches in diameter; the said openings to be securely cemented.

Sec 2. That a contract be granted to Bay and Munson at one dollar and twenty five cents per lenial foot, whenever said Bay and Munson shall furnish a bond with sufficient sureties conditioned to pay all labor and material claims, and another bond conditioned for the faithful performance of said contract on or before the first day of June A. D. 1888.

Sec 3. That the cost of said sewer be assessed upon the property benefitted thereby.

Moved by Alderman Hoffman seconded by Alderman Ekstrom and Carried, that the City Attorney be authorized to prepare suitable blanks for voting lists.

Moved by Alderman Herrousey, seconded by Alderman Common and Carried, that the question of lighting the city by electricity be submitted to the voters at the Spring election for approval.

The Council then, upon motion adjourned.

Thomas Meads
Recorder

L. C. Palmer
Acting Mayor

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April
3rd
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A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council room on Thursday the 5th day of April A.D. 1888. Alderman L. C. Palmer, on motion, presiding.

At Roll Call there were present Aldermen Ekstrom, Frii, Keyes, Palmer, Rohl and Zerbe. Alderman Hennessy & Jefferson arrived soon after.

On motion of Alderman Keyes the regular of business was dispensed with, and it was moved and carried that a Recess of ten minutes be granted and a committee appointed to canvass the rates, whereupon the Chairman appointed a special Committee to canvass the rates polled at the Charter Election viz:

Aldermen Keyes, Zerbe and Rohl.

After ten minutes the aforesaid Committee returned with their report, and on motion said report was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Keyes, seconded by Alderman Hennessy and carried it was

Resolved, that the following persons having received the largest number of votes be and are hereby declared duly elected to fill the several offices as follows:

Mayor	Fredrick O. Claus
Treasurer	August Machts
Justice of the Peace, Full term,	Thomas Mads
School Inspector, two years,	Charles A. Toorn
Constables,	Timothy M. Donovan and Jacob Dolf
First Ward	
Supervisor	James Bice
Alderman	James F. Todd
Second Ward	
Supervisor	Joseph Fay
Alderman	Timothy Donovan
Third Ward	
Supervisor	Edward B. Palmer
Alderman	George H. Rule
Fourth Ward	
Supervisor	George Wagner
Alderman	John F. Macx
Fifth Ward	
Supervisor	Hampden Guzey
Alderman	Peter Dolf

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The aforesaid Committee also reported that the total number of votes cast on Election night was 986. Yeas 902. Nays 54, and they decided the above measure carried.

The Council then upon motion adjourned.

Thomas Meads
Recorder

L. C. Palmer
Acting Mayor.

MAYORS' MESSAGES.

Mayor Nester's Valedictory and Mayor Clark's Inaugural Given Saturday Night.

MAYOR NESTER REVIEWS THE RECORD OF HIS ADMINISTRATION.

A Creditable Showing—City Electric Light Mayor Clark Outlines His Policy—it is Sound and Clear.

The Old and the New.

The city council met in the council chamber on Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock, Hon. F. O. Clark, mayor-elect, presiding. The question arising as to who were entitled to seats as members of the council at that meeting, the old or the new aldermen, it was stated by the mayor that when the new aldermen had qualified that terminated the office of the old members, therefore, the new members were entitled to seats. After the roll call by the recorder Mayor Clark said: "Before proceeding to the regular business of the evening I have the honor to read to you a communication from Mayor Nester. He expresses his regret that he was not able to be here this evening and to preside over the old council for the last time. I will read to you this communication, which would have been much more forcible and instructive if he were here to deliver it himself."

GENTLEMEN OF THE COMMON COUNCIL:—It had been my hope that I could be with you at the closing session of your council, but I find that business engagements imperatively forbid this, much to my regret. There are many things that I would greatly like to say to you orally at this last meeting of the council over whose deliberations I have presided for the past year, but they must be left unsaid. Permit me, gentlemen, to assure you that I have found our relations so pleasant that I cannot repress a feeling of regret that the hour for severing them has arrived. If during my official intercourse with you I have by word or act hurt the feelings of any member of this council, it was done unintentionally; and now, as the old council steps down to make place for the new, I trust that none of you cherish unkindly remembrance of anything that I may have said or done as mayor which, at the time, you may have seemed susceptible of an offensive construction. I heartily thank you for the cordial support you have given me in my official capacity. I do not now recall a single official act of mine that you did not sustain, and in all that I have done, or endeavored to do, for the city as mayor I have been cheered and strengthened by the knowledge that you stood by me loyally.

It is due to you and to myself that some public statement should be made at the close of our term of office. We owe this to the people who intrusted the city government to our hands.

I called your attention in my inaugural communication to what I then believed, and what I now believe, to be a matter of supreme importance; that the burden of taxation in this city had heretofore been unfairly distributed on the property which, by law, was entitled to bear it, and to the necessity of our making a move towards bringing about a more equal distribution. You ably seconded me in this duty, and promptly authorized me to employ counsel. Without this support we could not have succeeded in that direction. We found the personal property which was assessed for the year 1886 to \$275,850. With the aid of the supervisors of the city, who cordially co-operated with us to that end, we placed upon the tax roll of 1887 the sum of \$1,353,150 as the personal property which was entitled to be taxed in this city. This was done after careful examination of each particular item by the board of review, and in each case the property owner was examined under oath. Some fault has been found with this new departure, and certain parties have compelled the city to resort to the courts to collect the tax assessed. This, through Hon. F. O. Clark, the counsel employed by the city, has been promptly done. I may say right here, gentlemen, that the board of review and myself have acted all along strictly under Mr. Clark's advice in the matter. The total amount of personal tax collected for the year 1886 was \$6,951.95; the total amount collected and paid into the treasury for the year 1887 is \$14,785.07, showing

the increase over 1886, which is now paid in, to be \$7,833.12, and there is now outstanding which the city is endeavoring to collect, the sum of \$16,021.25. I am assured by Mr. Clark that, in his judgment, the levy is strictly legal. It will not be denied that it is morally right that all property should bear its equal share of the public burden, and I believe it to be legally so. I hope that our successors will prosecute the collection of this item of unpaid tax to a speedy determination in the courts. I may say in this connection that the Hon. Attorney General of this state has joined, on behalf of the state, with Mr. Clark in prosecuting the delinquent parties, and collecting the tax due the city, county and state.

It may be true, that corporations created by the legislature of this state, can send their funds outside the state to avoid tax thereon, and then openly defy the laws, combat and refuse to pay their tax, but I am one who will not believe it, until the highest tribunal declares that this method of evading just taxation can be successfully practiced under the law.

The question of our right to tax lumber manufactured here is disputed. I can only say that if all lumber, or other property within the limits of the city is bound to be protected, so far as the city officials can afford it protection, from fire, riots, etc., then it seems to me there should be some *quid pro quo*. There is, gentlemen—the right to tax it.

I have no fear that this city will be depopulated, simply because the officers of the city government persist in doing their sworn duty, nor do I believe any intelligent person entertains any such opinion. I believe that all classes of personal property should be taxed, upon exactly the same basis of valuation that the house which covers the head of the poor man and his family is taxed.

I congratulate you on leaving the city in good financial condition, notwithstanding the

unusual amount of street and other improvements made under your supervision during the year. The bonded indebtedness remains as you found it, viz.: Water bonds, \$75,000; school bonds, \$40,000. The current indebtedness is about \$16,000, as against \$15,000 when your council took charge of municipal affairs. This, I make bold to say is a most creditable showing, when it is taken into account that more than twice as much water main extension has been put in during the year as in any previous year since the system went into operation; that the rapid growth of the city has necessitated a larger expenditure than ordinary for street improvements, and that you turn over the city to your successors, several thousand dollars better off as to water supply and streets than it was when you assumed charge of its government.

We found the system of water supply and protection against fire, as you know, quite inadequate. You authorized the fire and water board to expend the sum of \$30,000, which was placed on the tax roll of 1887, in order to lay the necessary water pipes, put in hydrants and give to the people who had been paying water tax for years that which in all fairness was their undoubted due. It is shown by the report of the water commissioners that we have laid 20,515 feet of water pipe and placed forty-four new hydrants during the year, which is over one-third of the entire system of the city. And by the same report we have 4,500 feet of pipe on hand to be put down in the spring, which will nearly, if not quite, pipe the city to its present necessities, but if it should not be sufficient, enough ought to be added and the work completed as early as possible.

As to our streets: A great deal of good work has been done on them during the year. The Champion street improvement has been completed, which enabled the water board to lay the water pipes to the southern part of the city. The Presque Isle bridge was constructed, new streets opened, others repaired, keeping up the reputation that Marquette enjoys of having the finest streets of any city in the state.

You are especially to be commended for the efforts you have put forth in order to give the city a proper sewerage system. I am sorry to say that we cannot announce to the public that this work is completed, or even begun; however, this is no fault of yours. Our experience is only that of all other cities in the matter of obtaining proper sewerage. There are so many opinions as to which of the many systems advanced is the best that it is hard to decide. I know that you, gentlemen, together with the sewer commissioners appointed by our predecessors, worked hard to ascertain what would be the best for the city, and employed an eminent engineer, Mr. Davis, to make a survey. This was done and the city has the benefit of the plans submitted. In this connection I desire to thank Hon. Horatio Seymour for the work done by him to secure a good plan and procure its adoption.

I wish to especially commend you on your investigations in the matter of electric light for the city and to say to you, gentlemen, that never have I known any body of men who would work with such untiring zeal all the way through the long weary months of our investigations of this important matter as you have and never flag or become discouraged. We might, as you know, have had electric light in Marquette months ago, provided we were willing to have granted just such terms as were asked, and it will redound to your credit that you did not do so. While considering this subject, I desire to say to you, gentlemen, that as a result of my inquiries into the matter of electric lighting for cities situated as is our own, I have become firmly convinced that our city should both own and operate its own lighting plant. Since I have been mayor the council has had under advisement, as you are aware, the propositions of different companies which offered to light the city at a stated price per lamp, and also to furnish light for private consumers. The bid of one company was accepted, and a carefully prepared contract adopted, under the terms of which we conceived that the interests of the city and of private consumers would be amply protected. For some reason the company failed to put in a plant as it had agreed to do, and the matter dropped for the time being. At the election this spring the people voted in favor of electric lighting, under your resolution submitting the question to them for an expression of opinion, and it is probable that the incoming council will regard this vote as a direction to that body to provide the city with some system of electric lighting. Several members of that which will succeed it, and for that reason I deem it well to lay before you pertinent facts bearing upon that subject which have come to my knowledge.

I have found that many cities which have given a franchise to electric lighting companies are greatly dissatisfied with the service rendered and the expense thereof, and in numerous instances the plan of having the city own and operate its own plant has been adopted. Where this has been done, the result is invariably satisfactory. A case in point is furnished by the city of Detroit, which has had lighting contracts with several different companies, none of which gave a service commensurate with what its cost was to the city. In November last, the board of aldermen of that city appointed a special committee to thoroughly investigate the matter of municipal lighting. This committee appointed as its secretary Mr. Fred H. Whipple, of Detroit, directing him to procure all information obtainable on the subject. This has been done, and the report, which is exhaustive and highly valuable, will be submitted to the board of aldermen this month. Mr. Whipple has kindly sent me advance sheets of such portions of the report as bear upon the question which you will have to consider, and I gladly submit these to you to be placed before the incoming council for its information and guidance.

The inquiry set on foot by the Detroit board of aldermen makes a startlingly strong showing in favor of having cities do their own lighting, especially where this can be done in connection with a system of water works such as Marquette already possesses. Not only is the service better, but the expense is lessened fully one half, if not more. Statistics showing the cost of lighting where the service is rendered by companies holding a franchise, and where the city owns and operates its own plant, were obtained from 150 cities. One of these,—Paris, Ill.,—fits the case of this city so accurately that I present the report obtained from its mayor, Mr. Bell, who in response to the inquiries propounded by the special committee of the Detroit board of aldermen makes this statement:

We could not get an offer to light our city for less than \$3,000 per year, such as we have now. The city owns the water works, as well as the electric light plant, and both plants are built together, and we use the boilers and building for both. Consequently it is run cheaper than to have them separate. One engineer and one fireman run both, and we cut considerable expense on that score. We have the Fort Wayne Jenney light. We have 26 lamps including four towers, run by two 30-lamp dynamos, with one Bass Engine of 70 horse power. We have ten miles of wire, in a city of 6,000 inhabitants, and have one of the best lighted cities that I have seen anywhere. Our expenses for this last month were \$160.70, all told. The expenses last year were a little over \$2,300. I do not think that the expenses will exceed \$2,000 this year. We have been paying from \$3,500 to \$3,800 for lighting the city by gas, and not one third as good a light. We think we can run our light for about \$1,800 per year. Our citizens are well lighted, with our light, and it gives entire satisfaction. Our engine is a high-speed engine. We belt from the engine direct to dynamos, which I think is a mistake and if I were going to put in a plant I would put in a low-speed engine, with counter shaft, which we will do when we have to make a change. We figure that the saving from what it now costs us and what we originally paid will in seven years pay for itself, interest and all.

Madison, Ind., is one of the towns that has wisely determined to do its own lighting. Its mayor, Mr. J. T. Brashear, gives this testimony:

"We have been operating our electric light plant twenty months. We have the Jenney system of Indianapolis. We have three eighty-two lamps suspended about thirty feet high at the intersection of the streets. About fourteen miles of wire divided into three circuits, each dynamo operating upon its own circuit. Our system for lighting the streets with gas and gasoline cost the city \$8,000 per year. The last year with electric light cost \$1,600, or \$55 per lamp, making a saving to the city of \$3,400 per year, and the light is so much better than the old system—in fact there is no comparison. Our citizens are well pleased with the light. The city council of Topeka, Kansas, visited our city the first of this month, and it was their judgment that we had the best lighted city they had visited. They were so well pleased when they returned home, that they contracted for a 120-light plant. If your city contemplates continuing electric light, I would recommend that they own their own plant."

The extracts from the report prepared by Mr. Whipple, kindly furnished me by that gentleman, contain several equally conclusive instances of the wisdom of having municipalities do their own lighting. I earnestly hope that when the desire of the people of Marquette for an electric lighting system is gratified it will be through a plant which they will own and control themselves, as they do the water works, in which case they will have ensured the best of service at just what it costs for all time, and will be protected from the imposition and annoyances to which they will surely be subjected if the service is obtained from a company operating under a franchise.

If I seem to have dwelt on this topic at undue length my excuse is that I am deeply impressed with the importance of having a wise decision reached in the matter, and am thoroughly of the opinion that our city will make a grievous mistake unless it takes advantage of the experience of other places by putting in and operating its own lighting plant.

In conclusion permit me to again assure you, gentlemen, of my deep sense of gratitude to each and all of you, for the courteous and gentlemanly treatment you have at all times accorded me during the year just ended.

Yours respectfully,

TIMOTHY NESTER.

Mayor Clark—in connection with this very instructive and interesting valedictory Mr. Nester has sent these reports of Mr. Whipple, which will be not only instructive, but will furnish the basis of information for the action of the city in the future, and here is also a circular from Mr. Whipple which he has sent; taken together, these will furnish a large amount of information. What shall we do with these documents and this communication? Alderman Hennessey—I move they be placed on file for future reference.

This was seconded by Mr. Connors and unanimously carried.

Alderman Hennessey—As a member of the old council I desire to move a vote of thanks to ex-Mayor Nester for his devotion to the public business while acting in the capacity of mayor; and for his uniform courtesy to the council while presiding over its deliberations.

Seconded and carried unanimously.

Mayor Clark then addressed the council, delivering, without notes, the following impromptu inaugural:

GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL:—We have been called to these responsible positions by the suffrages of the people, and with the honor thus conferred by our fellow citizens comes to each one an important public trust. Let us then, like the mariner, take our bearings, that we may intelligently enter upon the discharge of our several duties with caution and courage. We have listened, and with great interest, to the communication received from the mayor who presided over the deliberations of this council during the past year, and it is to me, and no doubt it is to you, a very instructive and entertaining document, and shows at this closing of the old council, the interest which Mayor Nester has felt in the affairs of this city, for though engaged in his own private business and absent from home he takes the time to prepare this document and to furnish these instructive reports of a scientist, on the subject of electric lighting, that he may furnish information for our future guidance, for which we certainly have reason to be grateful.

Now, gentlemen, as we enter upon the duties of the coming year, it is proper that we should briefly review the past, and take our bearings for the future from the facts and statistics presented. We find from the report of the treasurer, filed February 28th last, that at the time when the council, which preceded the present one, entered upon its duties the city was indebted on the contingent fund fifteen thousand dollars, borrowed money. We find also, that there was

an indebtedness for water bonds amounting to \$75,000, and school bonds \$40,000. As has been stated by Mayor Nester, in his communication, the water and school bonds remain the same; the \$15,000 of contingent indebtedness was paid by the taxes collected during the year out of the liquor tax and the general tax; but as the year progressed the necessity of having a loan was discovered, and \$16,000 was borrowed, as has also been stated in the communication, thus making an indebtedness of one thousand dollars more than existed at the time of the commencement of the duties of the preceding council. Now of that amount, I am informed, there is \$694.35 still in the treasury. Now, gentlemen, if we would comprehend what should be done in the future, we will look over what has been done in the past. We can hardly expect, when we step down from these high and exalted positions we now occupy, but that some will criticize our actions, in fact criticize us, when we have done our best. Undoubtedly criticisms have been passed on the actions of the council that has preceded us. There always will be criticism, and it is highly proper that there should be honest criticism; but let us, in our action in the future, look at what has been done in the past, and see whether it furnishes instructive information and guidance for our conduct.

Gentlemen, we find in looking over the history of the city during the last year, that large improvements have been made in the streets; many new ones have been graded and macadamized, old ones have been widened and re-macadamized, and a great amount of work done in that line during the past year; notably, Washington street; from a street narrow in its grading, it has been macadamized full width, and whereas, it had very much the appearance of a street in a small rural town, it now looks like one in a metropolitan city, in keeping with its importance as one of our leading business streets, as it is fast becoming. By this expenditure of public money in the grading of streets, property becomes more valuable, and therefore more available to the city for revenue purposes, and thus the city is fast growing in wealth and in increased opportunity for raising the public funds by these public expenditures.

On Washington street, we find a large trunk sewer, placed nearly its full length; it was very much needed; it takes not only the sewerage along its line, but also the surface water and sewerage from the cross streets as it comes down from the north. So we might further review the extensive improvements that have been made the past year but it is not necessary, we find that the expense during the year, the general expenses of the city, including its police force, and management and other incidental expenses have been \$15,000.51; its highway fund \$10,428.21, as stated by the treasurer. Now the liquor tax of \$11,880.80 was greater by over \$1,400, than all this highway expenditure.

Passing from the consideration of the streets, and the beauty and utility, that will attach from their grading and ornamentation, let us consider the crowning effort of the city officials during the last year and which has been referred to by Mayor Nester in his communication. There has been for years in this city a great wrong perpetrated upon the tax payers; throughout at least one third of this entire city, men have been taxed upon their homes for water which they never secured; they have paid taxes for a great many years, not only for water to drink, but for protection from fire, and in many instances have seen their property burn down before their eyes, for the want of that protection for which they have paid. Now that, in the view of any man stopping to think about it, is nothing short of oppression and it has been a fact here until the past year when this matter was agitated and the wrong rectified through the action of the retiring council, as at the request of the water board the council promptly voted that the amount of tax be doubled for the purpose of correcting that injustice, and so \$30,000 was voted. Now, gentlemen, it appears by the report of the water board, that there has been laid during the last year 20,515 feet of new water mains, nearly four miles, during the past year, and, as has been stated, there is still remaining 7,500 feet of pipe to be laid, which it was hoped might have been laid last fall, but it is ready for laying this spring. Now these together, when laid, will be nearly one-half of the entire piping of this city, the total amount of water main is 60,780 feet, making eleven miles and a half. When this 7,500 feet of pipe is laid it will make 28,015 feet of extension and when you estimate that there has been laid during the past year nearly half of all that has been laid during the last twenty years in this city, and men that have been paying water tax, and getting nothing for it, have had water brought to their doors, or will have by the time this pipe is all laid, a great work has been accomplished, and I do not think that any man, with an eye to justice, can question the policy of this work, but will rather feel proud that it has been done.

Now, gentlemen, the future growth of this city is that which interests us all, and as custodians of the public interests it is our duty, so far as the law permits, to encourage manufactures, building, and all public improvements, everything that will develop and increase the growth of this city. Now there must be, in order to, do this, economy as well as proper expenditure, and while I do not suppose that there has been any large amount of improper expenditure, I think it is impossible to guard too carefully the public treasury, by seeing that a full equivalent is given for every dollar spent. Now, these large improvements have been made by our predecessors; they have been nobly done, and we enter upon the discharge of the duty of taking charge of this city during the coming year, with these improvements largely completed, though there are others much needed. It seems to me that we should guard against over taxation; that we should insist that every class of property yield its just proportion of the public revenue, whether it be real estate or personalty, and that no hoarded wealth or costly jewels should escape taxation, but that each should bear its just proportion, as the law directs. If there is anything that will drive away manufactures, that will throttle building and public improvement, it is over taxation; it is the scarecrow that drives away everything of the kind; therefore this ought to be prevented, either by not making public improvements, or by having sufficient property upon the roll, if possible, that the tax will be low upon each and every article of property; if that cannot be done, for the purpose of public improvements (and they should be made) it is better to borrow money on long time and at a low rate of interest, as it can be so obtained by a city of the responsibility of this one, and let the future generation, if necessary, pay part of the expense of beautifying, ornamenting and increasing the growth of Marquette, thus lessening the burden of taxation upon the present community.

It would certainly be poor policy to overtax this city, and stunt its growth thereby. For my part, I feel as though children of the present generation should bear their share in this as it will later be so much the easier with a greatly increased taxable wealth, and population. Now that in the future we should make the taxation as low as possible and, so far as we can consistent with the law, encourage manufactures particularly, for we are on the eve of a great opportunity for the building up of a magnificent city, not only in beauty, the gem of the lake, as it is, but in proportion, as a manufacturing centre. I throw out these suggestions because they come to my mind, and as my predecessor has inaugurated the system of saying something on the opening of a new administration, a thing which I think is very proper, I desire to express my views in this oral manner.

I know, gentlemen, that the council is composed of men that have had experience, in the many phases of business, who have no doubt given the matters to which I have referred more thought than I have, and are citizens that have the interests of the city at heart and will carefully investigate them, and I believe that during the coming year its affairs will receive careful management at your hands.

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A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Saturday, the 7th day of April A.D. 1888. Mayor Clark presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Connors, Donovan, Dolf, Erstrom, Hennessy, Palmer, Rule and Todd. Alderman Mack arrived soon after.

The Mayor presented and read the Validictory to the old Council of ex Mayor Nester, after which it was moved and carried that the said address and the report of Fred H. Whipple of Detroit on cost of electric lighting accompanying the same, be referred for future reference.

The Mayor then delivered his inaugural address to the Council - see preceding page -

Alderman Hennessy introduced the following, which was on motion carried,

"As one of the Aldermen of the old Council, I desire to move a vote of thanks to ex Mayor Nester for his devotion to the public business while acting in the Capacity of Mayor, and for his uniform courtesy to the Council while presiding over its deliberations"

The minutes of the Council meetings held March 3rd, 6th and 17th and April 5th were read, and on motion, the meetings held March 3rd and 17th and April 5th were approved.

On motion of Alderman Palmer the Recorder's report in the Minutes of March 6th were stricken from the files, as he considered it should not have been published before the Finance Committee had reported on the same.

The Communication of Louis Reindinger stating he had withdrawn from the liquor bond of Antoine Gregoire was, on motion, referred to the City attorney to report on at next meeting.

The several petitions for Marshal and night watchmen were, on motion laid on the table.

The Finance Committee to which was referred the Recorder's Report, recommended that it be not accepted, desiring that corrections should be made in the same. On motion the report of aforesaid Committee was accepted.

Moved and carried that the Mayor appoint a Committee to further examine the Recorder's Report. He therefore appointed as such Committee Alderman Rule

Palmer and Mack.

Alderman Palmer moved that that portion of the Mining Journals bill containing the Records Report should not be allowed.

Alderman Hennessy moved an amendment that the same be paid, on which a vote was taken and said amendment carried. Ayes Alderman Connors, Donovan, Ekstrom, Hennessy and Todd. Nays, Alderman Dolf, Mack, Palmer and Rule.

On motion of Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Mack and carried, the bid of J. R. Dee for lighting the City by electricity was laid on the table, and on Motion the Electric Light Committee was discharged.

Alderman Hennessy offered the following resolutions which were on motion adopted:

Be it hereby

Resolved, by the Common Council of the City of Marquette that the time for collection of the assessment for grading, curbing and Macadamizing Fisher Street from Fourth to Fifth Street, be and is hereby extended till May 7th 1888, and the return day of the warrant for said collection and said warrant be extended to and including the 7th day of May A.D. 1888. And,

Be it hereby

Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Marquette that the time for the collection of the assessment for the construction of an eight inch sewer on Rock Street, between Fourth and Fifth Streets, be and is hereby extended till the 7th day of May 1888. and the return day of the warrant for said collection and said warrant be extended to and including the said 7th day of May A.D. 1888.

Moved and Carried that the Profile on Sewers of Chester B. Davis be dispensed with as far as Superior Street is concerned, and that the profile of Geo P. Cummings of said street be adopted in its stead.

Moved by Alderman Dolf and seconded by Alderman Ekstrom that the annual meetings be held on Mondays instead of Saturdays. An amendment was offered by Alderman Hennessy and Carried that the Regular meetings be held as before. Ayes, Alderman Connors, Donovan, Hennessy, Palmer and Todd. Nays, Alderman Dolf, Ekstrom, Mack and Rule.

Moved and Carried that, "When we adjourn we adjourn."

til Friday of next week."

The Street Commissioners Report was read and on motion approved.

Moved and carried "that this map of the Marquette Harbor be placed on file, the red line in the same showing the harbor line as now fixed."

Moved by Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Connor and carried, that the bill of the Duluth South Shore and Atlantic Railway of \$128²⁸ for the rent of their lot on Spring Street, east of Front Street, be rejected.

The following bills, were, on motion, ordered paid.

P. F. Mullally, pay roll for March	\$ 111	00
Geo P. Cummings, Profile of Superior St, Work on Cedar St & Harbor plat	15	00
James Pickands & Co, Coal for fuel etc from Jan 7 ⁵	35	43.
John J. Mullally burying dog	1	00
John J. Flammigan hauling Tools	1	00
Michael Ryan, board of Prisoners in March	28	74
Mining Journal Co, pub proceedings 3. meetings, } registration & Election & other notices	73	10
L. P. Crary Registration Notices and proclamations	15	00
Dr Hammond & Am Lake Superior Reg notices	8	00
Timothy Foster, two days rent store for Election	6	00
Nelson Hodgkins " " " Office " "	6	00
Mrs Emil Bierock " " " House & Wood	8	00
William T. Crary two " time Copying Registration Books	6	00
Charles A. Egges 500 Tally sheets	6	50
John Connor, two days on Board of Reg Election	6	00
Thomas Steffern " " " " " " "	6	00
Carl Roth " " " " " " "	6	00
Michael Hennessey one " " " " " " "	3	00
Thomas Meade " " " " " " "	3	00
L. C. Palmer 2 " " " " " " "	6	00
L. P. Crary " " " " " " "	6	00
Patrick Keyes " " " " " " "	6	00
Fred Frii " " " " " " "	6	00
John A. Ekstrom " " " " " " "	6	00
Julius F. Gerbel " " " " " " "	6	00
William Higgins Clerk of Election	3	00
Henry J. Crowley " " " " " " "	3	00
T. W. Crary " " " " " " "	3	00
John Tobin " " " " " " "	3	00
C. D. Blanchard " " " " " " "	3	00
A. J. Lobdel " " " " " " "	3	00

Earl J. Lampson	"	"	"	3	00
George Wagner	"	"	"	3	00
Hampson Gregory	"	"	"	3	00
John P. Finlayson	"	"	"	3	00
Peter Deasy	Special Police of Eleuth-Fish Ward	2	00		

Ayer, Alderman, Connor, Donovan, Doff, Ekstrom,
 Hennessy, MacB, Palmer, Rule, and Todd: says
 none.

The Council then, on motion adjourned.
 approved April 13th 1888

Thomas Meads
 Recorder

J. V. Cray
 Mayor

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A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council room on Friday the 13th day of April A.D. 1888. Mayor Claus presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Donnan, Doff, Erickson, Amussen, Keyes, Mack, Palmer, Rule and Podd. Alderman Connors arrived soon after.

The Mayor presented the name of Alderman George H. Rule as President of the Council and with complimentary remarks, touching his ability and fitness to preside in the absence of the Mayor requested his ~~nomination~~ ^{on motion of} as such, whereupon Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Keyes, the above nomination was confirmed.

On motion, the minutes of the last ^{Council} meeting were approved as published and their reading was dispensed with.

The petition of F. B. Spear for permission to erect a small building in rear of his dwelling was, on motion, referred to the Fire Wardens.

The Bond of City Treasurer-elect Mackie was, on motion, referred to the City attorney to see that it is drawn up in legal form.

Mr. Charles A. Doane, in the absence of the City attorney, reports as follows touching the withdrawal of Louis Reindinger from the Liquor Bond of Antoine Gregoire:

"My opinion is that a party cannot so release himself. The relation is one that he voluntarily assumes, and unless released by competent authority he must bear the burdens and risks of it during the legal life of the Bond. See the Case of Crone v. S. Howell. 2. Pickering 612".

On motion the above report was accepted and placed on file.

Moved by Alderman Connors that Reindinger's petition be granted.

An amendment was offered by Alderman Palmer seconded by Alderman Erickson and carried, that the aforesaid petition be not granted.

The assessment Roll for the construction of Superior Street Sewer was, on motion, referred to the Street Committee.

The following was next presented.

The committee to whom was referred the finance

Committee (Report on the City-Recorder's Report, were that said Recorder's Report be accepted as the correction if made would involve the re-writing of the accounts, and as the changes would not alter the gross figures this is not deemed expedient, signed G. H. Rule L. C. Palmer and John F. Mack.

On motion, the above Report was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Rule seconded by Alderman Cormor, the following Resolution was adopted.

Resolved, that the Recorder and Treasurer be, and that they are hereby directed to transfer to the general fund the balance due from highway fund and delinquent personal tax account as shown by Treasurer's Report of February 28th 1888, and that the balances as would be shown in the Recorder's Ledger be brought forward into a new set of books and that one of our members be appointed to assist in opening up such books and be possessed with power to give such suggestions as will be of interest of the Recorder to follow for correct keeping of the same.

The Mayor thereupon appointed Alderman Rule to assist the Recorder.

On motion of Alderman Palmer seconded by Alderman Cormor, the following Resolution was adopted.

Resolved, that the finance Committee be authorized to purchase a pay roll book with a ruling for each day of the month and rate per day and amount with such other columns as may be deemed by the finance committee and final columns for receipts, with proper headings: said book to be known as the Street Commissioners pay roll of the City of Marquette. And further, that the Street Commissioners be instructed to have each amount receipted for in its proper place to be paid, and that at the succeeding Regular meeting after the approval of each monthly roll, all accounts not found receipted for in such book shall be charged back to the Street Commissioners: also,

Resolved, that the matter of the construction of sidewalks and the levy and collection of assessments therefor, the provision of Ordinance No 4 of the City of Marquette, relating to sidewalks be strictly followed.

On motion of Alderman Palmer seconded by Alderman Keyes, the following Resolution was also carried.

Resolved, that authority be, and is hereby given William

Hard to build a sidewalk on the east side of Front Street, between Fisher Street and Superior Street, beginning at a point on the South line of Fisher Street and extending northward five hundred feet (516 ft), and to grade from the curbing plank in said street to the east line of the street along the same, said grading and sidewalk building to be in accordance with the ordinance of the City of Marquette and subject to the supervision of the Street Committee and of the Street Commissioners.

The following was presented by Alderman Palmer:

Whereas, a petition was granted authorizing a sewer to be built on Arch Street and a sewer has been constructed in Michigan Street terminating at Cedar Street, which sewer has no outlet and it is desirable that an outlet be provided both for this sewer and the one petitioned for in Arch Street, and such outlet should not be placed so as to endanger the health of the city.

Resolved, that a committee consisting of Alderman Reel, Dolf Mack, be and hereby is appointed to investigate this subject and report to the Council at its next meeting.

The Mayor having overruled the above resolution as being out of order, he claiming the right to name all committees, Alderman Palmer then introduced a resolution authorizing the Mayor to appoint said committee to investigate the subject, this resolution having been voted down, Alderman Hennessey, seconded by Alderman Connors, moved an amendment that it be referred to the Street Committee, and it was so referred.

The Council then proceeded to the appointment of City officers with the following result:

City Marshal	James Maloney
City assessor	William Adams
Street Commissioners	Patrick F. Mullally
City attorney, William D. Hill with Charles A. Towne as associate Council.	
Fire Warden	Hornumson Greger
" "	George Hagner
Record Master	Michael Stacks
" "	Patrick Murther
Night Police,	Dennis Hogan, Carl Egildson and

Elias Gessigen.

Harbor Master

Aloysius J. Ottusson

Health Officer

Dr. A. Kline Thell

Commissioner of Parks and Cemeteries Hon. P. T. White.

On motion of Alderman Reel, seconded by Alderman Connors, the following Resolution was carried:

Resolved that Miss Emma E. Thompson a young lady in every respect qualified for the position, be and is hereby appointed Librarian to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of the former official from the City - and the compensation for such service be the same as in the past.

The Mayor appointed as members of the board of health Alderman Connors, Donovan Palmer and Wolf and Dr. A. Kline Thell.

His honor next appointed the following members of the Council as standing committees for the ensuing year:

On Finance, taxation and gaslight, Chairman Alderman L. C. Palmer, associates, George H. Reel, and James F. Dodd.

On Police, Claims, and grievances, Chairman John F. Mack; associates, George H. Reel and Timothy Donovan.

On Streets, Snows, and Bridges, Chairman Michael Hennessey, Peter Wolf, and John Connors.

On accounts of City Officers, Chairman Peter Wolf, associates, L. C. Palmer and John A. Ekstrom.

On purchasing Committee - Chairman L. C. Palmer, associates Patrick Keyes and John A. Ekstrom.

On Parks, cemeteries and Public Grounds, Chairman Patrick Keyes, associates John A. Ekstrom, and Peter Wolf.

x The Council next, on motion, proceeded to fix the salaries of the officers for the present year.

Moved by Alderman Palmer, seconded by John A. Ekstrom and carried, that the Marshal be furnished house rent free and fifty dollars per month; and on motion of Alderman Reel it was

Resolved, that the Marshal be allowed the privilege of renting the house usually occupied by that officer, to a member of the police force, and whatever rent may be agreed on between them be allowed the Marshal as extra salary.

Moved by Alderman Palmer and carried, that

the salary of the Night Police be \$60.⁰⁰ per month.
 Moved by Alderman Reyes, seconded by Alderman
 Connor and carried, that the City ~~Assessor's~~ salary
 be four hundred dollars per year.

Moved by Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman
 Reyes, that the City Attorney's salary be raised to
 four hundred dollars per year: Ayes, Alderman
 Dolf, Ekstrom, Reyes, Maas, and Palmer. Nays,
 Alderman Connor, Donovan, Hennessy, Ruel
 and Todd. There being a tie vote, the Mayor cast
 the deciding vote in the affirmative.

On motion, the salary of Harbor Master
 Alexander J. Otterson was raised from \$5.00
 to \$25.⁰⁰ per year.

The Council then, on motion adjourned.
 Approved April 25th A.D. 1888.

Thomas Meads
 Recorder

J. J. Carr
 Mayor.

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A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Wednesday the 25th day of April A.D. 1888. Mayor Clark presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Cornrows, Donovan, Dolf, Ekstrom, Hennessy, Mack, Palmer and Reile, Alderman Keyes arrived later.

Alderman Palmer moved that ^{reading of that} the portion of the minutes of the last council meeting referring to election of officers be omitted, carried.

The minutes of the previous meeting were then read and on motion approved.

The Mayor tendered his resignation as a member of the Water Board - on account of his election as Mayor - which was, on motion accepted.

His honor then presented the following:

To the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

I do hereby nominate Hon Peter White to the full term upon the Water Board, and James Russell to the vacancy caused by the resignation of a member.

(Signed)

F. O. Clark.

On motion, the above nomination were confirmed.

The Mayor appointed as a special committee to investigate the subject of Electric lighting for the City, the following named gentlemen, John F. Mack, Geo W. Reile, Michael Hennessy, James M. Wilkinson Timothy Hester and James M. Longyear.

At the request of the Mayor, Mr. Colgate of Milwaukee, who is here in the interest of The Van Depoele Manufacturing Company of Chicago addressed the Council on the subject.

The petition of James Maloney, Marshal elect, for permission to rent the Marshal's house to whomsoever he may see fit, provided he procures a respectable tenant, was on motion of Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Cornrows referred to the Committee on Police Claims and Grievances with power to act, the understanding being that he is to occupy room in the house himself.

The petition of Eugene Larochelle asking permission to tear down an old building and erect a two story building in its place behind his building on South French Street, and to cover same with iron roof, and later, brick the whole, was on motion, referred to the fire board.

The petition of Mrs Mary Mount again asking

as a widow, to be exempted from the payment of taxes, was after considerable discussion, referred to the City attorney - said taxes having been included in last year's tax roll - as to the legality of remitting the same.

On motion of Alderman Hennessy the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That the Recorder be and is hereby instructed to advertise for bids for furnishing the City with lumber for sidewalks and cross walks for the ensuing year, and that he also advertise for bids for furnishing nails and spikes.

On motion of Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Keyes, it was:

Resolved: That the Park Commissioners be and is hereby notified, that the Council are of the opinion that no money should be expended on the City cemetery during the ensuing year except the receipts the receipts from the sale of cemetery lots.

Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Dolf presented the following Resolution:

Resolved: That section 3. of ordinance 7. relating to pounds, be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows: No horses, ass, mule, calf, goat, swat cattle or geese, shall be allowed to run at large within the boundaries of the City of Marquette.

Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Connor moved an amendment, that the said Resolution be made to cover the Third ward, ^{only} which amendment was, after considerable discussion carried. Ayes, Alderman Connor, Donovan, Ekstrom, Hennessy, Keyes, Palmer and Ruel, Nays Alderman Dolf and Macko.

Mr. C. A. Poore, in the absence of the City attorney, to whom was referred the bond of the City Treasurer, August Macko reported that in his judgment the general language of the bond was amply sufficient to make it legal. Thereupon on motion, the aforesaid Bond was approved, accepted and ordered placed on file.

The bonds of Marshal Maloney and Street Commissioner P. F. McCallally, were on motion referred to the City attorney to decide if they were drawn up in legal form.

The Bonds of the following liquor dealers were presented and on motion accepted: Martin E. Frank, Curtis, William R. Wright and August Schwalm; Edward

Hazen, sureties Patrick Sullivan and John C. Fashambs;
 Rothchild and Bending, sureties, Charles Y. Osborne
 and Ambrose Campbell; William Janzen, sureties Carl
 Rohb and Belthazer Friedheart; Peter Rasmussen, sureties
 Josiah G. Reynolds and George H. Reed; Julius Gluck,
 sureties, Henry H. Jacobs and Michel L. Schullier; Joseph
 Fay, sureties, Isaac Newberger and George H. Reed;
 Thornton and Mengay, sureties, Michael Hagerty and Patrick
 Cleary; Foubert and Roberg, sureties, Volpe Longtine and
 William R. Wright; Martin Veiling sureties Charles Y.
 Osbourne, and John H. Giller; Friedrich Pie, sureties
 Charles Werner and George Wagner; Timothy W.
 Donovan, sureties James Malony and Isaac Newberger;
 Thomas E. Good, sureties Patrick Sullivan and Joel Giller;
 Edward Gilbert, sureties Joel Giller, and E. T. Drew;
 Eugene Larochelle, sureties, George Keenan and James H.
 Young; Charles Ernile Schullier, sureties Michel L. Schullier
 and James H. Young; William Deitcher, sureties William
 Margarete and Felix C. Hegaw; Peter Boyer, sureties
 Louis Rudinger and Amada Pellissier; William Nesbit,
 sureties William Margarete and George Davidson;
 John Kelly, sureties Egbert J. Mapes and J. B. Taylor;
 John Delander and Andrew Hartwig, sureties Peter
 Werner and William Coles.

The Liquor Bond of R. Grigore was, on motion,
 rejected.

Mr. Mapes requested permission, on behalf of the
 property owners on Hewitt Avenue, to address the Council
 in regard to opening said street. Mr. G. Hazen was
 also allowed to address the meeting on the subject,
 after which, on motion of alderman Rule seconded by
 Alderman Connors, the following resolution was carried:

Resolved: That upon the filing of a Bond with
 the Recorder of the City in an amount, and with sureties
 satisfactory to the Mayor, indemnifying the City against
 all expenses incurred in proceedings taken to condemn
 such property, as is necessary to open Hewitt Avenue (formerly
 Mount Vernon Street) to its entire width - The City-attorney
 shall institute proceedings to condemn such property
 as may be necessary to open said Street providing the
 Chairman of the Street Committee cannot agree upon
 a price for the land needed, satisfactory to the property
 owners.

The Council then, upon motion

adjourned till Monday April 30th a.s.
1888 at 7.30 o'clock P.M.
Appoint April 30. a.s. 1888.

Thomas Meads
Recorder

J. D. Clegg
Mayor.

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A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Monday, the 30th day of April A. D. 1888. Mayor Clark presiding.

At Roll call there were present Aldermen Connors, Donovan, Dolf, Erlstrom, Hennessy, Mack, Palmer and Rebo. Aldermen Keppes and Connors arrived soon after.

The minutes of the previous Council Meeting were read, and on motion, approved.

The petition of George L. Colgate agent of the van Depoele Electric Manufacturing Company, for permission to erect a few Electric Lamps on French Street to make an exhibit of their system of lighting; "the wires and lamps to be removed by or before the 1st day of June next," was on motion of Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Dolf, granted.

The petition of Burtis & Cross, requesting that dramatic and other Companies be charged only \$3.⁰⁰ per night, instead of \$5.⁰⁰, that being the minimum established by the Charter; citing the names of 16 other towns where \$3.⁰⁰ is charged for such entertainment, was on motion of Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Connors, laid on the table.

The City attorney, to whom was referred the petition of Mrs Mary Moriarty in regard to the remission of her taxes, reported as follows.

The Common Council has nothing to do with an individual's taxes, and to release or refund taxes to an individual is equivalent to making that person a present out of the fund belonging to the City. If there is any equity supporting the petition it seems to me to be fully provided for in Paragraph 7. in section 3. of act No 301. of the laws of 1887. found on page 415.

The Report was on motion accepted.

The Fire Wardens, to whom were referred the petitions of F. B. Spear and Eugene Larochelle to erect wooden buildings in rear of their lots, recommended the granting of said petitions as they did not consider they would increase the risk by fire, to the adjoining buildings.

The Report was on motion accepted.

The Chairman of the Street Committee to whom was referred the matter of arranging with Cecil Patnaude and the property owners on Hewitt Avenue about the price of said Patnaude's land in dispute

there; said that he, Patnaude, would not take less than \$1000. while the said property owners would give no more than \$500. as compensation for the same.

On motion, the report was accepted.

The Committee on Police, Claims, and grievances to which was referred the petition of Marshal Maloney recommended that said petition be granted, he having stated that he would occupy room in the Marshall's house himself. On motion of Alderman Corns seconded by Alderman Dolf the report was accepted and the petition granted.

Moved by Alderman Hennessey, seconded by Alderman Dolf that Mrs Moriarty's petition be granted. An amendment was offered by Alderman Corns, seconded by Alderman Rule and carried that ^{the amount of} her last years taxes be donated to her.

Ayes, Aldermen Corns, Donovan, Dolf, Hennessey, Keys, and Rule. Nays, Aldermen Mack and Palmer.

On motion of Alderman Corns, seconded by Alderman Ekstrom, the petitions of F. B. Spear and Eugene Lacsabell were granted.

The City assessor submitted to the Council the assessment roll for a sewer on Superior Street from the Water at the Lake to Fourth Street, which on being examined, was approved by the Council, and the Recorder instructed to give notice, as required by the Charter, that the ^{commission} Council would meet on the 24th day of May A.D. 1888 at 7.30 o'clock P. M. to consider the final confirmation of said roll.

On motion of Alderman Palmer seconded by Alderman Corns it was

Resolved: That the City Recorder be and is hereby instructed to notify the City attorney of each Council meeting by letter or otherwise, and that any business referred to the City attorney shall be placed in the said attorney's hands by the Recorder without delay.

Capt William Ward presents a petition to have Seventh Street, between Superior and Fisher Street, graded, macadamized and curbed and sidewalks laid on one side of said Street, when the Recorder stated that said petition had been granted last Fall.

It was then moved and carried that the Street Committee be empowered to employ a competent Engineer to make a profile of said Street and report at the next meeting.

a motion was made that the City attorney be instructed to commence proceedings to condemn certain parcels of land required by the City to open Hewitt Avenue, when it was moved by Alderman Reile and seconded by Alderman Connors that the following resolution be and is hereby adopted:

Be it

Resolved, That a meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette be held at its Common Council Room in said city, on Thursday, the 24th day of May A.D. 1888, at 7.30. O'clock P.M. for the purpose of laying out, widening and opening Hewitt Avenue to the width of Eighty ^{feet} from the east line of Smith Moore's addition to Lake Superior, the north line of said avenue to be laid out opened and widened to be as follows:

Commencing at a point forty two feet north of the southwest corner of Section Thirteen in Township forty eight north of Range twenty five west, thence eastwardly in a straight line to a point at the water of Lake Superior forty feet north of where the south line of said section enters the Lake. Also for the purpose of laying out, opening and widening said avenue to a like width from the east line of said addition, west in a direct line with that portion of said avenue now laid out on said addition to the west line of South Street.

That in laying out, opening and widening said Avenue as aforesaid the said Common Council require the following described piece or parcels of land belonging to the several persons hereinafter named, to wit:

An undivided one third interest in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land commencing at a point forty two feet north of the South West corner of Section Thirteen in the above named Township, running thence East to a point directly north and forty feet distant from the point where the South line of said section enters the water of Lake Superior, thence south to said section line, thence west along said section line to the corner of said section, thence north to the place of beginning, which ^{said} property belongs to Henry Hewitt Jr. Also, commencing at the South East corner of the South West quarter of the Southeast quarter of section number fourteen in the township and range aforesaid, running thence North thirty one feet, thence westerly one hundred and thirty

two feet to a point thirty one feet north of the south line of said section Fourteen, thence south to said section line, thence East to the place of beginning, which property belongs to Cecil Patnaude.

That the Street Committee ascertain the lowest price the owners will transfer said property for street purposes and report their doings at the meeting aforesaid.

That the Recorder of said City give the notice required by section 19. of Chapter 5. of the Charter of said City to the owners or persons interested in the property aforesaid.

Alderman Kennedy, seconded by Alderman Connors, moved that it be added to the aforesaid resolution, that the expense of laying out, opening and widening said Avenue be levied on the property benefited thereby, and that the aforesaid resolution be adopted. Carried.

The bonds of Marshal Maloney and Street Commissioner Mullally were, on motion accepted and placed on file.

The Bonds of the following Liquor Dealers were presented and on motion accepted:

Nicholas Barth, Sureties, Louis Ruedinger and John C. Fastbinder; Andrew Trudeau, sureties, Joseph A. Vannier and Felix O. Hegem; John Marlow, Cecil Murray, and Joseph Bolduc; Charles E. Deane, David Murray and John Thoney; Andrew Peterson, John Doetoch and Anton Manthie; Francis Miller, Jacob Brown and Henry C. Thurber; Dominiquus Mayerus Joseph Kloekin and Anton Saddler; George Guerninger, George Siegal and David Erb; J. Dwyer and Bril Jeffrey Coles, and William O. Keara; John Johnson, George Coles and Martin Kenberg.

On Motion of Alderman Kennedy seconded by Alderman Rule the following resolution was Carried:

Resolved: That the Street Committee be and is hereby authorized to employ a competent engineer to complete the survey and profile of the grade of Hewitt Avenue from Lake Superior to the West line of Fourth Street.

The Council then upon motion adjourned.

Apprenting 5th A.D. 1885.

Thomas Head
Recorder

J. V. Clegg
Mayor

1888

May 5th

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A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council room on Saturday the 5th day of May A. D. 1888, Mayor Clark presiding.

At roll call there were present Alderman Connors, Donovan, Hennessey, Palmer and Rule.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read, and on motion approved.

The petition of Berg and Munson requesting an advance of \$500. on their Superior Street Contract was read. Moved by Alderman Connors and seconded by Alderman Palmer that it be referred to the Street Committee. Alderman Rule, seconded by Alderman ^{Palmer}, presented the following Resolution as an amendment, which was, on motion carried:

Resolved, That the petition of Contractors on Superior Street, asking for an advance of \$500. on account of work performed, be granted, but that a sufficient sum shall be retained from said \$500. to be applied on payment of pipe supplied.

The petition of Peter Rasmussen asking permission to build his side walk to conform with the Street when Washington Street is widened west of Fifth Street, was, on motion, granted.

The bid of Edward Haas to furnish the City with lumber for the present year "Pine and hemlock such as is used for side walks, curbing etc, in lengths up to and including 18 feet, at \$11⁵⁰ per Thousand feet, board measure, to be sound Common Lumber," was on motion accepted.

The Liquor Bond of R. Gregoire, sureties Jeffrey Coles and Friedrich Glocke was, on motion accepted.

The profile of Seventh Street, between Superior and Fisher Street, was presented and examined and on motion accepted and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Alderman Hennessey seconded by Alderman Palmer, the following ordinance was adopted:

It is hereby ordained by the Common Council of the City of Marquette:

First, That Seventh Street from its north line of Superior Street to the south line of Fisher Street, be graded to the full width thereof according to the grade heretofore adopted for said Street.

Second, That said Street between the limits above specified be macadamized to the width of thirty feet.

in the center thereof and gutters be constructed of Planks along each side of such Macadamizing, said gutters to be constructed and said Macadamizing to be done in accordance with the ordinance of said City.

Third, That the recorder be authorized and directed to advertise for a period of ten days in the Daily Mining Journal for bids to furnish all material and perform all labor necessary for such grading macadamizing and gutters, the Council reserving the right to reject any or all bids.

Fourth, That a bond conditioned for the faithful performance of Contract, if awarded, and another bond conditioned for the payment of all labor and material claims arising under such Contract shall accompany each bid.

Fifth, that a sidewalk five feet four inches in width be laid on each side of said Street between the aforesaid limits.

Sixth, That the expense and cost of such grading macadamizing, gutters and sidewalks be assessed upon the property abutting on said Street, and that the City assessor be instructed to prepare a special assessment roll for that purpose.

On motion, it was

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Marquette that the time for the collection of assessments for the construction of an 8-inch sewer on Rock Street, between Fourth and Fifth Streets, be and is hereby extended till the 7th day of June A.D. 1888. and the return of the warrant for said collection and said warrant be extended to and including the 4th day of June 1888.

Moved by Alderman Palmer, seconded by Alderman Donagan and carried, that the Mayor appoint a Committee of two to audit the City Treasurer's books prior to his turning them over to his successor in office. The Mayor appointed as such Committee Alderman Palmer and Reel.

The bill of the Lake Side Iron Works of \$19, was, on motion, referred to the Street Committee.

The Payroll of Street Commissioner P. F. Mullally was read and, on motion approved.

The following bills were, on motion allowed:

P. F. Mullally, payroll for April	174.50.
Edward Rager, Lumber in "	28.88.

L. C. Palmer, Engineering and Profile of Summit St	7	50
Mining Journal Co, pub proceedings for meeting & Cards of Rules	44	00
Michael Ryan, Board of Prisoners in April	13	75
John J. Mullally, buying 4 dogs	4	00
J. B. Spear, Rent of barn for Regt Election in February	6	00
J. Meads, postage & stamps since Jan 7, Brown & Ryman to S. Adams	4	40
Ayer, Aldermen Connors, Donovan, Himmey, Palmer and Rule. Says now.		

Moved and Carried that the rules regulating the proceedings of the Council for its preceding year, be and are hereby adopted by the present Council.

The Council then, on motion adjourned.

Approved May 24th A. D. 1888.

Thomas Meads
Recorder

F. A. Clark
Mayor

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1888
May
24th

A special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council Room on Thursday the 24th day of May A.D. 1888. Mayor Clark presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Commes Dolf, Ekstrom, Hennessy, Mack, Palmer and Rele.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and on motion approved.

The petition of residents and property owners asking that a sewer be constructed "along Arch Street from High Street to Front, thence along Front Street to Bluff Street to connect with the sewer already laid in Front Street from Bluff to Washington Street" was on motion referred to the Street Committee.

The petition of residents and taxpayers in the First Ward signed by 25 persons asking the City to furnish them with a night policeman - stating that the property interests there are now quite important and valuable, and owing to the small number of the present police force, said Ward is without protection - was referred to the Committee on Police Claims and grievances.

The communication of Cecil Patnaude offering the piece of land in dispute to the City on property owners for \$1000.⁰⁰ and stating he is willing to donate to the City, land on the north side of his property for a Boulevard on Prospect Street, was on motion, ordered placed on file.

The petition of Smith and Wilson for the privilege of using a portion of Third and Washington Streets for building purposes, was, on motion granted and the Recorder instructed to notify them how much of said street they are allowed to occupy, in accordance with the City charter.

The petition of property owners etc, with 18 signatures asking that Hampton Street may be graded, macadamized and curbed and side walks laid on each side, was on motion, referred to the Street Committee.

The Surety Bond of Gilbert Houlter, with Jacob Brown and Joseph C. Ream as sureties, was on motion accepted. The aforesaid bond was accidentally overlooked at the last meeting of the Council.

On motion of Alderman Hennessy, seconded by Alderman Dolf, the Resolution passed at the last meeting of the Common

Council to allow Berg and Munson \$500. on their Superior Street Sewer Contract, less the cost of the sewer pipe, was reconsidered, and it was moved and carried that said Berg and Munson be allowed five hundred dollars (\$500) on the aforesaid contract.

Ayes, aldermen Connors, Dolf, Ekstrom, Hommesy, Mack, Palmer and Rule. Nays, none.

Moved and carried that the profile of Hewitt Avenue, and the estimates of the Carp River Bridge be referred to the Street Committee.

L. C. Palmer, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported and stated that the floating indebtedness of the City is now paid up, leaving a balance on hand to date of \$960³⁰ as per statement of the City Treasurer.

The Special Committee, to which was referred the matter of examining the books of the ex-city treasurer reported as follows:

That the auditors appointed to examine City Treasurer Fries' books during his term of office have done so, checking all the additions in journal and ledger and comparing all entries with vouchers and other data and find the same correct in the journal.

We append trial balances for the convenience of incoming Treasurer and we also file a copy of same with the report.

The balance of Cash a/c \$1469²⁵ has been handed over to treasurer Mucke and he has passed his receipt for same which is also attached to the report.

Signed

G. M. Rule

Marquette May 12th 1888.

L. C. Palmer

On motion, sundry bills presented for payment were referred till the next meeting.

On motion of Alderman Rule, seconded by Alderman Dolf the following resolution was carried:

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the White Library, and the Board of School Inspectors are hereby authorized and requested to make such rules and regulations as they may approve for the better conducting and management of the White and School libraries.

Moved by Alderman Hommesy, and seconded by Alderman Palmer and Carried, that the resolution appointing the first Saturday of each month as the day for holding

the regular meetings of the Common Council be and is hereby reconsidered, and that said regular meetings be held on the first Monday of each month for the present year.

There having been no bids in at the proper time for grading, macadamizing curbing etc of Seventh Street from Superior to Fisher Street, the Recorder was instructed to again advertise for proposals for the same.

The following preamble and Resolution was presented:

Whereas due notice as required by law has been given to the several owners of those pieces or parcels of land required by the Common Council in laying out opening and widening Hewitt Avenue from the shore of Lake Superior to the West line of Fourth Street as described in the Resolution relating thereto adopted by said Common Council on the 30th day of April 1888, that said Common Council would meet at the time and place specified in such Resolution for the purpose therein stated and that the said Common Council in laying out opening and widening said street requires such pieces or parcels of land; and said Common Council having been unable to agree with any of the said several owners for the taking of the same, or upon the price to be paid therefor:—

Therefore, be it

Resolved, that Hewitt Avenue be and the same is hereby laid out, opened and widened to the width and between the points specified in the resolution aforesaid and that the Recorder of the City be and is hereby directed to issue a venire facias commanding the Marshal thereof to summon and return a jury of twelve disinterested freeholders to appear before him, said Recorder within, and at such reasonable time as said recorder may designate therein, to enquire into and determine the necessity for using such ground and the just compensation to be paid therefor to the owner or owners or parties interested therein.

On motion of Alderman Rule, seconded by Alderman Dolf the aforesaid Resolution was carried. Ayes, Alderman Connors, Dolf, Esterson, Hennessy, Mack, Palmer and Rule. Nays none.

Moved and seconded that the special assessment roll for the Superior Street Sewer be confirmed, but

there being objections raised to said roll, after considerable discussion it was moved by Alderman Connor and seconded by Alderman Palmer and carried, that the matter of considering and adjusting aforesaid assessment roll in connection with side streets &c, be referred till the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Council then upon motion adjourned.

Apprent June 6th A.D. 1888.

Thomas Meads
Recorder

J. D. Cony
Mayor.

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1888
June 4th

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was convened at the Council room on Monday the 4th day of June A.D. 1888. Mayor Clark presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Donovan, Dolf, Ekstrom, Hennessy, Palmer, Rule & Todd.

On motion, the Council adjourned till Wednesday the 6th day of June 1888.
Approved June 19th A.D. 1888

Thomas Meads
Recorder

J. O. Clark
Mayor

1888
June 6th

An adjourned regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marquette was held in the Council room on Wednesday, the 6th day of June A.D. 1888. Mayor Clark presiding.

At roll call there were present Aldermen Donovan, Dolf, Ekstrom, Hennessy, Mack, Palmer, Rule and Todd. Aldermen Keyes and Connor arrived soon after.

The minutes of the meeting held May 24th 1888 were read and approved.

The petition of Joseph Bolduc for permission to add to the back of his house on Third Street, a small addition for summer kitchen and wood shed in winter, was on motion allowed.

The petition of A. Mathews asking that "measures be taken to have all dumping of garbage, etc, within one mile of W. Vernon Street stopped," stating that it is being dumped promiscuously on property of which he has the care, along the powder mill road, was, on motion, laid on the table.

The petition of John J. Flannigan asking permission to tear down his barn and replace it with a new one on his premises on the south side of Bluff Street, and later