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#### TOWN OF BELLEVILLE

## PETITIONS - 1849, 1850, and 1851

## A ASSISTANCE

- (1) (n.d.) Petition of Michael Goggins praying that Council will take into careful consideration the case of "his daughter aged Thirty six years ... for the last fifteen years Insame", Goggins himself being aged and "unable to sustain her without some assistance"
- (2) (n.d.) Petition of Richard Sullivan, labourer, praying for assistance for his family since he had "been seized with sickness resembling Consumption and had been unable to work" as the result of his being in contact with very cold water while "employed by the Board of Police to dig a Well on the hill near the Jail". READ AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON POOR

#### B BUILDING

- (1) April 30, 1850 Petition of GEORGE NEILSON praying for a bylaw to protect him in a property dispute.
- (2) July 15, 1850 Petition of Mr. GREGG, "On behalf of the Free Church Congregation, who are at present erecting a place of worship... to take sand for the Buildings from the ground East of the Court house, and also to employ waggons from the Country to draw stones, without making the usual charges in either case... as it is hoped that the Buildings to be erected will form a public benefit." FILED JULY 15, 1850 GRANTED

### C DISPUTED ELECTION

(1) July 15, 1850 Petition of WILLIAM LEE and seventeen other residents of the Baldwin Ward, stating that the "Election appointed to be taken on the 15th of July instant for the return of one fit and proper person to serve in the Town Council ... has not been conducted ... in accordance with the 159th Section of the Act 12th Victoria Chap. 81", and praying that another election be held

## D GRAMMAR ACHOOL

(1) March 4, 1851 Petition of J.DUNBAR MOODIE, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the County Grammar School, on behalf of the said Board, praying for a grant of £35 "to enable them to complete the said Building and to enclose the grounds attached thereto, - so as to render the same available for School purposes..." GRANTED

### E INDEPENDENT FIRE COMPANY

(1) March 15, 1851 Petition of WILLIAM RANKIN and thirty-nine other inhabitants "of the upper part of the Town" informing council that they are prepared to "form themselves into an efficient Independent Fire Company, to be under the direction of the Chief Engineer, when called into active service provided your worshipful body will allow the Victoria Engine No. 1 - to be kept by such company in a building to be prepared for that purpose on the premises of Messrs G. & J. Brown".

GRANTED March 17, 1851

(2) March 23, 1851 Petition of G.G. Brown informing council that a building on the premises of Messrs Brown has been prepared for the safe keeping of the Victoria fire engine and that an Independent Fire Company has been "duly organized by the election of the officers ... and the enrollment of men."

#### F LIGHT HOUSE PROPERTY

(1) (n.d.) Petition of G. WOLCOTT praying that he be granted "the point below the plot formerly granted to the Corporation ... in perpetuity on the following conditions that is to say that ... he will in a few weeks prepare a sufficient light house so as to render the navigation less dangerous by night & keep it up through the period of Navigation forever, & that he will further build a good macaddamized road from the land already leased down to the low water mark of the bay and forever to keep said road in good repair." "Your Petitioner would further represent that he has a friend who will advance several thousand Bollars for the purpose of improving the Point..."

## F <u>LIGHT HOUSE PROPERTY</u> (cont.)

- (2) May 30, 1850 Petition of JACOB BONTER and ROBERT M. ROY offering "to fit up a Light House and keep a proper light therein during the time navigation is open" in return for a grant of "the shoal fronting the Town on the Bay of Quinte on the East side of the River Moira commencing below Water Lot No. 1 & running into deep or navigable water" should the Town receive this shoal from the Government.
- (3) August 30, 1850 Petition of SAMUEL MUNRO praying that a lot on the west side of Pinnacle Street near the Bay be granted to Mr. Wolcott since Munro had on hand the timber for "a store house 100 feet in legth which I intend to erect at once ... on the ground he [Wolcott] petitioned for as their is an understanding bentween him & myself concerning it not only with regard to the light house but with regard to a plank or macadamizing the road down to the bay."
- (4) November 15, 1850 Petition of C. WOLCOTT praying that immediate action will be taken "concerning the point below the grounds already leased by the Corporation below the wharves" and offering to find a well of good water in the vicinity for the sum of twenty-five dollars READ & LAID ON TABLE, Dec. 3, 1850

#### G LIQUOR LICENSES AND OUTLETS

- (1) March 7, 1851 Petition of Thomas Boyd praying that council grant him a grocery license at a reduced rate since he had purchased a license to sell liquor, but "has not the accommodation required by By Law to keep a Tavern".
- (2) March 7, 1851 Petition of C.L. COLEMAN and fortyseven others praying that "a Saloon License be granted to James Nixon on the premises occupied by him on Water Lot owned by the Marmora Foundry Company."

#### GRANTED

(3) March 15, 1851 Petition of JOHN COVERT praying that the money paid by him for a license for Keeping an Inn in the vicinity of the Wharf be refunded or that the order for the recent Saloon License be rescinded, this having been contrary to a previous council vote "that no Saloon License were to be granted."

GRANTED MARCH 17, 1851

### G LIQUOR LICENSES AND OUTLETS (cont.)

- (4) April 16, 1851 Petition of D.S. VANDERVOORT and eight other innkeepers complaining that "they consider the rules adopted by the Municipality of Belleville as inconsistent with their duties as Innkeepers" in that the regulation "prevents an Innkeeper on the Sabbath Day from administering to the requirement of their guests."
- (5) May 28, 1851 Petition of Thomas Redner complaining that he had purchased "a Licence to keep an Inn in Belleville ... under the conviction that no Saloon License would be granted", whereupon council granted a Saloon License "by which means a large share of my business is taken from me", and praying for justice. NO PRAYER

# (6) December 18, 1851 Petition of DANIEL CRYSDALE, Innkeeper, praying that he be granted a "license for the remainder of the year to come, at ... reduced rate", he now having repaired his tavern which had been damaged by fire.

#### H SANITATION

(1) (n.d.) Petition of HENRY FANNING praying that if an obstruction to the drain for his premises, recently occupied by Daniel Young, be removed, "he would have no difficulty in keep all parts clean and wholesome..."

> PETITION GRANTED - THE OBSTRUCTION TO BE REMOVED

(2) February 15, 1849 Petition of JOHN TURNBULL and twentythree other inhabitants complaining of the lack of public drainage in Belleville and praying that the Bridge Street drain "be deepened, and its width enlarged at least three times."

READ & REFERRED TO ROADS COMMITTEE

(3) March 12, 1850 Petition of E. MURNEY and forty-six other inhabitants praying that a "main Sewer or drain on Front Street between Bridge and Hotel Streets is much required" to preserve "the Health of the Town and the comfort and convenience of the people."

# H <u>SANITATION</u> (cont.)

- (4) April 12, 1850 Petition of Joseph PROVOST and twenty-three other inhabitants complaining of an open ditch on the north-east side of the plank road constructed in the north part of the town, and praying that it will"be covered over in some manner so that Lives or Health may not be endangered." FILED APRIL 12, 1850
- (5) May 13, 1851 Petition of EDMOS CHANDLER calling attention to "the state of the cellar under the House occupied by your petitioner on Front Street, and also to the yard in rear of the same - The cellar is the cesspool for the drains of the House occupied by Mr. Cronk and the adjoining Ground", and because of "the most offensive odour" and risk of epidemic, praying that "steps may immediately be taken to remedy the nuisance."

PRESENTED & READ MAY 17, 1851

### J SIDEWALKS

- (1) (n.d.) Petition of JOHN BEDFORD and seventeen other residents on the east side of Front Street praying that "a sufficient quantity of plank and other materials be granted them and they do hereby agree to lay down a good and substantial sidewalk in front of their own shops at their own personal expense."
- (2) (n.d.) Petition of BILLA FLINT JR. and twenty-one other inhabitants of James Street and vicinity praying for the construction of a plank walk "Commencing on the South Side of Bridge Street and running Southerly down James Street to Dundass(sic) Street."
- (3) March 15, 1850 Petition of G.W. MEYERS and eighty-three other inhabitants praying for construction of a sidewalk along the east side of Front Street from "the intersection of Pinnacle Street - with Mill or Front Street" to the "North eastern extremity of the Premises owned by Messrs James and Joseph Keith."
- (4) March 18, 1850 Petition of J.B. SMITH and twentyone other inhabitants of Bleekers Grove, praying for the construction of a side walk "from the West side of the Upper Bridge until it intersects Park Street."

# J <u>SIDEWALKS</u> (cont.)

- (5) March 18, 1850 Petition of BENJAMIN WALTON and sixteen other inhabitants praying that a sidewalk be constructed "from Mr. Bruce's corner to the residence of Dr. Walton, and from Mr. Coulter's new stone house to the Main now along the river, and passing the M.E. Church."
- (6) March 20, 1850 Petition of MICHAEL BRENNAN and dixty-four other inhabitants praying that a "plank side walk extending from the rear of the Court House along Church Street in the said Town until it strikes the River Moira is much required ... owing to the Episcopal Church, the **Episcopal** Kirk of Scotland, the Roman Catholic Church, the Episcopal Methodist Church, and one or two School Houses being erected on the Said Street."
- (7) March 20, 1850 Petition of JANE MARSHALL and twelve other inhabitants of John Street south of Dundas Street, praying for a sidewalk.
- (8) March 28, 1850 Petition of G. RIDLEY and eighteen other inhabitants of Samson Ward praying for construction of "a plank road along the east side of Pinnacle Street commencing at the Residence of C.V. Benson Esqr., and running South to the Turn ... of that Street".
- (9) August 29, 1850 Petition of CATHARINE McCOY praying that her taxes be remitted, having "lately furnished the materials for a footpath on Coleman and Bridge Streets of 145 in length, for the laying down of which the Town Council has paid." NOT GRANTED
- (10) November 18, 1850 Petition of WILLIAM VANDERVOORT requesting payment for seventy-five feet of side walk which he had built in April "opposite my own premises on Front Street - north of the toll gate within the limits of the Town of Belleville."

READ & TABLED DECEMBER 3, 1850

(11) December 3, 1850 Petition of JOHN O'HARE stating that he had "made a side walk twenty seven rods long and four and a half feet wide in Bleecker Grove ... under the implied condition that the Town Council would contribute to the same extent towards the expenses of this walk, that they have in similar circumstances", and praying that council "will be pleased to order that the materials used in constructing Said walks be paid for ... value of the materials is about £6.5.0"

> READ & REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE DECEMBER 3, 1850

# J <u>SIDEWALKS</u> (cont.)

(12) April 2, 1851 Petition of FREDERICKA ROSS and fifteen other taxpayers of Baldwin Ward praying for construction of a board side walk "on the East side of Pinnacle Street from the North corner of said street to Mr. James corner ... not only because of the usual bad shape of the side walk in wet weather but because the authorities have frequently promised this favour."

> REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE APRIL 2, 1851

(13) April 2, 1851 Petition of ROBERT M. CLARK and twenty-three other inhabitants praying for "a Side Walk in West Belleville leading from Edwards Brittons to Robert M. Clark's and hence to James Street, the Street in the fall and spring being almost impassable."

REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE APRIL 2, 1851

- (14) April 12, 1851 Petition of JOHN PHIPPEN and twenty-seven other residents praying "that the Stone pavement from Bridge to Dundas Street on the same (East) side of Front Street may be removed and a Wooden Walk laid down instead."
- (15) April 16, 1851 Petition of JAMES JOHNSON and forty other inhabitants of Coleman Ward praying that "a plank walk be laid down from Bridge Street to Con. Bound." since "during a great Portion of the years the road running through the centre of the Town Plot laid out by Edmund Murney Esquire ... is wholly impassible for foot passengers."
- (16) May 17, 1851 Petition of JOHN DOUGALL and six other inhabitants praying that a plank side walk be "built on the East side of Church Street from Dundas to Wharf Street" since "it is impossible for your Petitioners in the Spring and Fall of the year to get to their residents" [sic]

REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE May 17, 1851

(17) May 28, 1851 Petition of JOHN ROSS and twenty-nine other inhabitants, praying that the plank side walk now "laid down on the street in West Belleville called Mill Street from the bridge at Col. Coleman's up to the residence of William Basset ... should be continued ... along said Street to the limits of the Town." REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE MAY 28, 1851

# J <u>SIDEWALKS</u> (cont.)

(18) October 16, 1851 Petition of JAMES ROSS, Secretary, on behalf of the Building Committee of the Free Presbyterian Church in Belleville, praying for construction of a plank side walk on the south side of Hotel Street between Church and John Streets.

#### K SURVEYS AND ROADS

- (1) (n.d.) Petition of P.G. ADMAS and fifty-six other inhabitants praying that council enforce the opening of Rear Street, as set forth in the original survey of 1816, and respected "by the late Captain Meyers and John Taylor Senior who were the owners of the land adjoining the said Town on the East as originally laid out,"and preserve the Street "To commence from the burying grounds and running to Main St."
- (2) (n.d.) Petition of HENRY CORBY and thirty-eight other inhabitants calling"attention to the Stzte of the Streets in that part of the Town lying South East of Church Streetand ... the propriety of having them all opened tccording to the Survey upon which many of use purchased lots & made improvements", and praying that "Bridge Street be properly graded from Munro's Hotel till it intersects William Street and from this point William Street be properly graded to Dundas Street."
- (3) (n.d.) Petition of WILLIAM K. KERR and nine other inhabitants praying for the sinking of a ditch "from the South East Corner of the Methodist Episcopal Church about 10 Rods along the Street running East from Church Street for the purpose of Carrying off a quantity of Stagnant Water lying on said streets ... likewise for some repairs at the place where the Water is lying so as yo make it passable for Waggons".
- (4) (n.d.) Petition of J. DUNBAR MOODIE and thirteen other inhabitants of West Belleville complaining of the condition of the road leading to the Second Concession of Sidney, and praying that "in future they will be only required to perform their Statute labout on that portion of the said road which lies within the limits of the Corporation until the said toad shall be rendered passable at all seasons of the year;- or otherwise grant a small sum for the said purpose."

### K SURVEYS AND ROADS (cont.)

- (5) (n.d.) Petition of WILLIAM SMART and seventy-two other inhabitants calling attention to "the state of road leading from the Bridge over the River to the westwardly limit of the Town, which is now almost impassable", and praying that Council order an inspection and such repairs as are required.
- (6) February 6, 1850 Petition of SYLVEBTER SEDLEY and five other inhabitants, praying that council order the Public Street below Capt. Bonters Tavern be cleared of wood, stone, etc. that "obstruct the travel from the bay both winter & summer", and complaining that a corner of the Potash occupied by Mr. Curly stands several feet in the road so as to prejude looking up town without going into the street."

READ & REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE

(7) February 28, 1850 Petition of G.H. HENDERSON and twenty-eight other inhabitants, complaining that "the road from the old limits of the Town on the Trent road" is in a most unfortunate state as far as the present limits, and also praying for a sidewalk on the same road to the town limits.

READ & REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE

- (8) March 14, 1850 Petition of CHARLES L. COLEMAN and thirty-six other inhabitants of West Belleville, praying for repairs on the road "leading from the West end of the Upper Bridge to the Township of Sidney passing by R.F. Coleman's Dwelling House crossing Coleman Street and further passing William Bassets Dwelling House", and praying for construction of a plank walk for foot passengers on the same route. READ & REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE
- (9) May 31, 1850 Petition of John Redner praying for the "removal of Wood Stone scows & other obstructions on the highway in the vicinity of the Public Wharfs", (sic) and praying that the street line be determined immediately.
- (10) June 28, 1850 Petition of GEORGE TAYLOR and eleven other praying that council take action to open certain streets for public use, said streets having been laid out by some of the petitioners on "that part of the south half of Lot Number Five in the first Concession of Thurlow lying north of the Dundas Road ... which streets were respectively named Bridge Street, Queen Street, and Hotel Street and running lengthwise John Street, George Street, William Street, and Ann Street."

REFFERED TO COMMITTEE JUNE 28, 1850

# K SURVEYS AND ROADS (cont.)

(11) July 20, 1850 Petition of HENRY FROSTE and nine other inhabitants, praying that council order the road allowance"between the First and Second Concessions of the Township of Thurlow ... to be opened, commencing on the East Side of the River Moira, and running Easterly along the North End of Lot Six as far as the jurisdiction of your worshipful body extends."

> READ & LAID ON TABLE -FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION

(12) December 3, 1850 Petition of JOHN REDNER, praying "for the opening of a street on the line of Lot 5, number one from the front & Pinnacle streets as far as rear street thereby having a streets convenient to the water lots on the south front of the Town recently granted to the Town by the Government & would also intimate the propriety of consulting the proprietors of the lots east of rear street as far as Captain Bonters west line..." READ & LAIN ON TABLE

DECEMBER 3, 1850

(13) April 30, 1851 Petition of JOHN REYNOLDS, Minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, praying that the line of Front Street be established in a certain fashion.

(includes sketch map and specific details) REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE

(14) May 7, 1851 Petition of CHARLES L. HERCHMER, President of the Hastings Joint Stock Plank Road Co., on behalf of the Board of Directors, praying that council pass a bylaw giving the newly chartered company "permission to pass within the limits of the said Town of Belleville and to construct and build the said road..." from the Upper Bridge at the residence of Col. Coleman's to Ross' Corner in the Fourth Concession of Thurlow.

PRESENTED & READ MAY 17, 1851

(15) May 7, 1851 Petition of JOHN BREAKENRIDGE, who had purchased lot no. 8 on the East side of George Street from George Taylor in 1849, praying that"George Taylor may be forthwith ordered to open and fence out George Street, and that your petitioner may be allowed by order of the Town council to pay his taxes for the current year, by expending the amount thereof in levelling and filling up and otherwise improving said George Street as may be necessary."

GRANTED MAY 17, 1851

- L TAXATION
  - (1) (n.d.) Petition of HUGH McGINNIS, praying for remuneration for tolls paid by him during the last years

READ & FILED

(2) April 5, 1850 Petition of JAMES CADWELL and sixteen other grocers complaining that the tax of £2.10.0 per year imposed by council "on the Small Grovers of the town is oppressive", and praying for a reduction.

READ & ACTED UPON, APRIL 5/50

- (3) November 25, 1851 Petition of SOBISKI SMITH, complaining that the tax of ten shillings levied against him (in lieu of Statute Labour) be removed as he is only nineteen years of age.
- (4) November 25, 1851 Petition of JOHN HARRIGAN, praying that a tax of ten shillings against him (in lieu of Statute Labour) be removed, and that he will pay the taxes on his house.
- (5) November 26, 1851 Petition of JOHN KERR, praying for inclusion on the "rolls of the town" as a tenant "and to be relieved from the payment of ten shillings charged to him in lieu of statute labour."

#### M TOLL GATE

(1) July 9, 1850 Petition of JOSEPH PROVOST and sixty other inhabitants, complaining that they live within the Town limits, "but outside the Toll Gate, that they cannot get to their Houses - from other thickly settled parts of the Town without passing through said Toll Gate", and praying for the "speedy removal of said Toll Gate out of the limits of the Town."

### N TOWN APPOINTMENTS AND SALARIES

- (1) (n.d.) Petition of JOHN ADDISON, praying for appointment to "the situation of pound Keeper and Police Constable for the Ketcheson Ward"
- (2) January 18, 1851 Petition of JOHN ADDISON, an unemployed butcher, praying for appointment "to the office of Clerk of the Market".
- (3) January 20, 1851 Petition of C. HANCOCK, offering himself as "a candidate for Collector for the Town", and praying for the appointment.
- (4) January 20, 1951 Petition of WILLIAM BLAIND, Common School Teacher from 1832 to 185- and now unemployed, praying for any situation.
- (5) March 17, 1851 Petition of GEORGE MCADIE, tax collector, praying that council will determine "his income as Collector for the past year". SALARY FIXED, APRIL 16, 1851
- (6) July 18, 1851 Petition of John REDNER, praying for appointment as "street surveyor for the ensuing year".

#### P WATER

- (1) (n.d.) Petition of JOHN TURNBULL and fifteen other "Inhabitants " praying that the public well in Bridge Street "be cut off at once to preserve health" since it "has lately become putrid and unwholsome", (sic] "and that the Corporation may take it immediately into their consideration the best means of providing a supply of wholesome water for this important section of the Town".
- (2) (n.d.) Petition of C. WOLCOTT, complaining that he had not yet received a bounty of 25 dollars for discovering a source of good spring water near the wharves, and proposing to "again go & open up the well on the side of the street so that citizens and strangers may have good spring water to drink in that destitute part of town."

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# P WATER (cont.)

- (3) March 19, 1850 Petition of CHRISTOPHER LAFONTAINE and forty-three other inhabitants praying that "as there is no public place of procuring a supply (of good and wholesome water) between the Victoria buildings and the limits of the town, that you be pleased to order that the large Spring in rear of Mr. Keiths may be conveyed to the road in such a manner as will remedy the evil complained of..."
- (4) July 15, 1850 Petition of GERRGE W. MYERS, informing council that he has "at his own expense laid down pump logs and provided a trough for the reception of water in the north Part of Said Baldwin Ward ... that by this means an abundant supply of good spring water ... is furnished", and praying that "his taxes for this year may be remitted".

GRANTED, PROVIDED HE KEEPS THE SPRING AT THE STREET

- (5) September 11, 1850 Petition of E.P. RUSSELL and twenty-seven other "Inhabitants of the Grove on the North Side of the river" pledging to raise £8 "to supply the neighbourhood with good wholesome water... providing the Council will grant the sum of Eight pounds or a sum sufficient to Complete the said well and furnish it with a pump."
- (6) November 22, 1850 Petition of SHUBAEL FOSTER, informing council that he has "now fully completed and Brought down to the Main Street in North Belleville near the premises of Messrs Ward and Lafontaine an abundant supply of good Spring Water", and praying that council "will be pleased to remit any Corporation Taxes."

REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE & REPORTED ON DECEMBER 24, 1850

(7) February 5, 1851 Petition of WILLIAM FANNING, praying for"the privilege of bringing a small stream of water which arises on the east side of Pinnacle

Street near the Northwest corner of the Court House lot into his katekyard which will not only be a great accomodation to the Public who frequent my yard & stables but it will also be keeping so much water from the road."

GRANTED

# P WATER (cont.)

(8) April 30, 1851 Petition of JACOB BLISS and JOHN JORDAN, Iron Founders, praying for permission "to lay Pump logs or leaden Pipe across the street to the premises ... for the purpose of conducting water from the Hill opposite."

#### GRANTED

(9) November 26, 1851 Petition of SHUBAEL FOSTER and GERSHAM REED, praying that council remit a part of the former's taxes and all of the latters, since they "have brought A good supply og Spring Water to Road in a Tank ... near the premises of the Messrs Keith about Eighteen months ago."

ORDERED THAT £2.10 be GRANTED YEARLY

ENCLOSURE:

(a) COUNCIL "Moved by B. Walton ... that this Council allow Mr. Gersham Reed one pound five shillings for the use of a spring of water in Baldwin Ward for the year 1851 to be applied on his taxes, and that Shubael Foster be allowed the like sum.

Passed"

- (b) "Moved by Mr. Donoghue ... That these be paid to the Proprietors of the Spring at the upper part of the Town ten dollars a year payable in Nov. each year - the proprietors to keep the Tank in repair. Passed"
- Q MISCELLANEOUS
  - (1) December 18, 1851 Petition of WILLIAM MARTIN JR., praying for permission to use the new market place for a Public Dinner on Tuesday, December 23, his own hotel not having sufficient accomodation.
  - (2) (n.d.) Suggestion of Messrs Bly & Gordon estimating cost of building a 2 ich thick plank sidewakkxfrom road from the cross walk at the intersection of Pinnacle and Victoria Streets to in front of Mr. O'Hare's house, a distance of 39 rods, at between 50 and 60 pounds,

ADDENDA

- B (3) August 7, 1851 Petition of DENNIS SHANNON praying for permission to erect a wooden "Shed or temporary Stable" on premises rented on Front Street, and informing council that the proposed building "is more than 30 feet from any building except Mr. Roy's Brewery and that there is a stone wall between these."
- J (9-A)July 25, 1850 and seventeen other inhabitants of the lower part of Baldwin Ward, praying the continuation of the walk on Wharf Street to meet the new foot path running from Dundas Street along John Street. READ & REFERRED TO ROAD COMMITTEE, SEPTEMBER 20, 1850