

City of Cambridge in Board of Mayor & Aldermen
July 23 1854

Resolved That Alderman Livermore, be a committee to present the
ordinance concerning Tenant Children &c to the Court of Common
Pleas now in session at Cambridge & to procure the approval
of said ordinance agreeable to the provisions of the Statutes of this
Commonwealth.

Adopted

Lucius R. Paige, City Clerk

Approval of Ordinance
to be ~~made~~ requested.

23 Jan. 1854.

City of Cambridge In Board of Mayor & Aldermen

Feb'y 6th 1854

In obedience to the order of this Board directing me to procure the approval by the Court of Common Pleas of the ordinance concerning Truant Children &c I have attended to that duty and herewith present the certificate of said approval.

The expenses of said service are as follows viz.

Entry of petition	\$ 1.65
Copy of approval &c	.78
Printing same	.50
Postage	.16
Carriage paid for horse & team to Court Cambridge	1.50
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	\$ 4.59

Geo W Livermore, Committee.

accepted -

Lucius R. Paige, City Clerk

Report
Approval of Ordinance
concerning Truant Children &c.

Feb. 6. 1854

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex Co.

At a Court of Common Pleas begun and
holden at Cambridge within and for the
County of Middlesex, on the second Monday
of December, being the Twelfth day of said
Month, Anno Domini, 1853.

And now in this term is presented to the Court, a
document in the words following - to wit -

"City of Cambridge, In the year, one thousand
eight hundred and Fifty four

An Ordinance in relation to Truant Children and
absentees from school -

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City
of Cambridge, as follows -

Sect. 1. The City of Cambridge hereby adopts
the two hundred and ninety-fourth Chapter of the laws of
this Commonwealth for the year one thousand eight
hundred and fifty, entitled, "An Act concerning Truant
Children and absentees from School" and the Act in
addition thereto, passed the twentieth day of May in the
year, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, and
avails itself of the provisions of said Act. -

Sect. 2. Any Minor between the ages of six and
fifteen years, who has not attended school in conformity
to the laws of this Commonwealth, all habitual Truants,
and absentees from School, all children that are about
the streets, begging or tramping upon lands, gardens or
orchards, upon conviction of any offense herein described,
shall be punished by fine not exceeding twenty dollars,
or instead thereof, by being committed to the Alms
House, at the discretion of the Justice of the Peace
having jurisdiction of the case, for such time, as said
Justice of the Peace may determine, not exceeding
one year - Provided however, that any minor, con-

victed of either of the offences herein mentioned may be discharged by such Justice of the Peace, according to the provisions of said acts.

Sec. 3. - The several Justices of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, residing in the City of Cambridge, shall have jurisdiction of the offences herein set forth, and the Alms House is hereby assigned and provided as the institution of instruction, house of Reformation, or suitable situation, mentioned in said Acts.

Sec. 4. - The Mayor and Aldermen shall forthwith after the passage of this ordinance, and hereafter in the Month of January annually appoint three or more persons to make complaints, in every case of violations of this ordinance, to the said Justices of the Peace, in conformity to the provisions of said acts.

Sec. 5. - This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and approval by the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Middlesex.

In Common Council. Jan. 11, 1854

Passed to be ordained

John Sargent President

In Board of Aldermen. Jan. 16, 1854

Passed to be ordained

James D. Green, Mayor

The Court having seen and fully understood the foregoing ordinance, order that the same be and hereby is, approved.

A true copy of Record

Attest

Seth Ames, Clerk

Approval of Ordinance, 3
Orphan Children Act.
Feb. 1854.