

City of Cambridge.

Report
of
Committee

In Board of Aldermen, (Dec 2) 1867

on Roads & Bridges

The joint standing committee, to which was referred, the petition of Thomas Dana and one hundred and eighteen others, asking to have one or both of the sidewalks on West Barton Bridge removed, and the tracks of the Haver Rail Road placed at one side of the bridge, would report.

That they have endeavored to give to it, the consideration demanded by the large array of names, and the great amount of property thereon represented. That they unanimously believe, that it would very much conduce to the safety, comfort and convenience of the public travel to remove the sidewalks upon the southerly side of the bridge and in its place, or as

near as practicable to the ~~south~~ side of the bridge put the Rail Road tracks. This being done, ample road way for carriage travel would be afforded between them, and the side walk on the north side, which need not be disturbed.

The brick and edgework of ~~the~~ which the side walk is composed would defray a large part, if not all the expense which the city need to incur.

The Rail Road company ^{from} would gladly change the position of their tracks that they might remove the snow from them, without apparition, and at the same time be ~~at the~~ ^{free from} the curses of those persons, who so much dislike to see a rail road ~~near~~ in sleighing time.

But notwithstanding your committee is disposed to consider favorably the prayer of the petitioners, the interests of the season will prevent its accomplishment ^{this year}, and they therefore recommend it to the good judgment of the next city government.

In behalf of the Committee

John Merriam

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

at 11:15, further a Jacobs City Cl.

Adm. Council Dec 4, 1867

Concurred

Albert J. H. Holbrook

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Remaining side walk
West Boston Bridge

Dec. 4. 1847.

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