

CHAPTER XVII

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Changes in Town and City Limits

1822, June. (As originally surveyed). **Boundaries:** East, Catherine Street; North, Duval Street; West, Ocean Street; South, St. Johns River.

1832, February: (Incorporation). Beginning at a point on the South bank of the River St. Johns, opposite Hogans Creek, on the North side, running North half a mile up said Creek; thence West one mile and a half to McCoys Creek; thence South to a point on the South side of the River St. Johns, opposite McCoys Creek; thence East to the point of beginning.

1837, January: Boundaries changed. Beginning at the mouth of McCoys Creek on the St. Johns River, running thence up said Creek to a point where John W. Richard's fence joined said Creek; thence in a North course to the first branch North of the Kings Road leading to St. Marys; thence down said branch to Hogans Creek; thence down said Creek to the mouth where it empties into the St. Johns River; thence across said river to the South side; thence up the South side of said river to Hendricks' Point; thence across St. Johns River to the mouth of McCoys Creek aforesaid.

1841, February: The boundaries of the town were reduced to identically the same limits as in the original incorporation of 1832.

1842, March: Limits extended. Beginning at a point on the South bank of the St. Johns River directly South from the mouth of Hogans Creek, thence North to the mouth of Hogans Creek aforesaid; thence along said creek, ascending with the meanders of the South branch of said creek to a point near the public road, called the Kings Road, where said creek takes a direction from nearly Southwest (Southeast) to nearly Northwest (Northeast); from said bend† by a direct line in nearly a Southeasterly direction to the mouth of Mc-

†This bend was near the intersection of the present Broad and Beaver Streets; the south branch of Hogans Creek was filled in years ago and does not now appear on the map of the city.