

with the work until action was taken by the Council.

#### HOW DISPOSED OF.

The matter was disposed of by the adoption of the following resolution by Wantland:

Resolved, That the city engineer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to lay a temporary grade in sidewalk district No. 8 on the west side of East Temple street, between Fourth and Sixth South streets, and that the cement sidewalk pavements contracted to be laid in this portion of the district be constructed accordingly; provided, this permission shall not prevent future action of the Council requiring the work to be built on a permanent grade.

#### A CEMENT TESTER WANTED.

The same official sent in a communication in which he stated that the several contracts for retaining walls, sidewalks and street pavements now in force required that all cement used in such work be properly tested by the city engineer. It would require the entire time of one man and as all of the employees in his department were busily engaged he reported the above facts for the consideration of the Council.

Ewing moved that the city engineer be authorized to employ the required help.

Moran—I would like to ask the city engineer what kind of cement is used in the construction of the State street retaining walls.

Mr. Doremus, in replying, said that domestic cement—that is cement made in the United States—was being used.

Rich enquired if some of the men employed in the street department could do the work.

Ewing was in favor of employing an additional man.

Moran asked the engineer if it were not true that Utica cement was being used.

Ewing called Mr. Moran to order, stating that he was not speaking to the question.

Moran—State your point of order.

Ewing did not press the correctness of his assertion and Wantland took the floor and spoke in favor of the employment of a cement tester.

The city engineer said the services of such a man was absolutely necessary during the season of extra work. Last year ten car loads of cement were pronounced worthless by such a man and a great deal of money thus saved to the city.

The engineer was authorized to employ a man at a salary of \$75 per month.

#### COST OF SIDE WALK CONSTRUCTION.

The same officer submitted an estimate of the cost of constructing sidewalks on both sides of First West, between South Temple and Sixth South streets and on both sides of Second East, between South Temple and Sixth South streets, with cement, flagging and brick respectively.

#### CLUTE WILL SWEAR.

City assessor and collector Leonard sent in the following:

Referring to your communication of the 1st of March last, relative to Mr. Clute's bringing suit against the Zion's Benefit and Building Association for \$837.05, I desire to state that I have consulted the ex-assessor and he says he is willing to swear to the documents and proceed

with the suit as soon as the city attorney will prepare the necessary papers.

Received and filed.

#### UNCOLLECTED TAXES.

The assessor also reported that there were no uncollected city taxes for 1891, save those of the Benefit and Building Society, \$837.05; for special taxes there was \$12,869.91 uncollected. Filed.

#### LICENSE INSPECTOR.

Treasurer Duke sent in the following:

Dear Sirs—I hereby appoint A. C. Reese, license inspector and request confirmation of the same.

On motion of Moran it was referred to the committee on finance. That gentleman saying with considerable emphasis that he would like to know who this Mr. Reese was.

#### HE TOOK IT BACK.

Treasurer Duke sent in a communication, in which he asked that no action be taken on his application for the appointment of a paymaster, and requested that such petition be withdrawn. Granted.

#### LOCAL ASSESSMENTS.

The City Recorder reported that lists pertaining to local assessments had been published, and that the notices of completion had been published as follows:

For the extension of water mains from the intersection of West Temple street and Third South to the intersection of First West and Third South; from midway between Fifth and Sixth South streets north 250 feet on Ninth East street; on Eighth West from Fifth to Seventh South; on Fern street between First and Second West, east to First West; along Third East street, from South Temple to First South; along Fourth South between Fourth and Fifth West to Fifth West.

Received and the Assessor authorized to make the necessary collections.

#### STATE STREET RETAINING WALLS.

The Board of Public Works returned the petition of Ives Cobb and others, asking that the city pay them the amount to be expended on the construction of the proposed retaining walls in their respective premises, as they propose constructing buildings in the property in question in the near future, whose foundations will serve as retaining walls as well, and reported thereon as follows:

"We beg to report that we have waited upon the several signers of the petition, one of whom will agree to construct the foundation referred to within twelve months, but will furnish us with no bond to secure the construction thereof within even that time; from the other property owners we could secure no agreement of any sort.

We recommend that the petitioners be paid an amount sufficient to cover the cost of the temporary fence constructed by them, how doing service there, and whatever other expense they have been put to in retaining the sidewalk embankment; and without instructions from you to the contrary, inasmuch as the contract has been executed, and is now in force with the Mountain Stone company, we shall proceed with the construction of the retaining walls on State street, as heretofore ordered.

Adopted.

#### A DETAILED MAP.

The same body recommended that the city engineer be instructed to furnish it with a detailed map, giving all

data possible in relation to sidewalk and street paving districts. Adopted.

#### NO JURISDICTION.

The board returned the petition of S. W. Alley, asking for relief from tax for extending watermains on Eighth and Ninth East streets, for the reason that it did not come within its jurisdiction. Received and filed.

#### SIDEWALKS ACCEPTED.

The board, also reported that it had accepted the sidewalks now laid in front of the property of the following named citizens in sidewalk districts seven and eight, and recommended that the special assessment against the property be cancelled: Maine Realty Company, Fox & Symons, G. D. Allen and William Burke. Adopted.

#### INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT.

The board of public works returned the petition of C. P. Brooks, asking for a retaining wall on State Street, with the statement that the property referred to is in the contract with the Mountain Stone Company for retaining walls. Adopted.

#### OBSTRUCTIONS.

The board of public works reported it had obtained a proposal from the Mountain Stone Company, the contractor on Richards street, to pave the intersection of Richards street and First South at the same prices as those received on Richards street, except for the corner curb stones, and the prices quoted on them did not seem to be unreasonable; but there was an obstruction at the south end of Richards street, which will prevent the work being completed, and the board accordingly recommended that the Council take steps at once toward having the same removed.

#### TO THE EQUALIZING BOARD.

The board of public works returned the petitions of Fred G. Heath, Home Life Insurance Company, F. S. Bacon, A. J. Denton, Isabel M. Pitts, Mrs. L. E. Wiseman, John Hepworth, W. W. Cowan, B. G. Raybould, W. H. Walker, Emily S. Koeber, M. J. Cheesman, Julia Kimball and Auerbach Bros., and recommended that they be referred to the board of equalization, and review in sidewalk districts Nos. 7 and 8, and if granted by them that the various properties mentioned therein be excluded from the contract, when executed for sidewalks within those districts. Adopted.

#### COST OF MAINTENANCE.

City Marshal Janney submitted the following report of the expenses of his office for the three months ending March 31st:

JANUARY.	
Pay roll.....	\$ 4,035 05
Miscellaneous.....	145 30
FEBRUARY.	
Pay roll.....	\$ 3,981 83
Special vouchers.....	405 00
Expenses of sending officer to California.....	100 00
Miscellaneous.....	193 63
MARCH.	
Pay roll.....	\$ 3,928 50
Miscellaneous.....	321 05

Total.....\$13,114 66

Committee on police.

#### TO REPLETE HIS LARDER.

The city sexton represented that he needed one ton of hay, twenty bushels of oats, one third dozen stop cocks, one ten-inch flat file, one hatchet, two nozzles, three pair lawn clippers, two