

BITUMINOUS ON TENTH.

Contract Let for Improvement in Front of the Capitol.

The Trustees After the Street Sprinklers Again—More Sidewalks Condemned—The Levees.

Everett Pierce, who owns a house and lot contiguous to the Y-street levee on the south, appeared before the City Trustees yesterday and objected to the raising of that levee. Mr. Pierce claims that the levee already overshadows his place and makes ingress and egress extremely difficult for him. He did not think the levee needed raising anyhow.

Mayor Constock said it had not been determined how much higher the levee would be raised, as an estimate of the cost had not been secured from the engineer.

Before leaving Mr. Pierce also registered a complaint against the manner in which P street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth, is being sprinkled.

MORE BAD SIDEWALKS. City Engineer Boyd submitted to the board a lengthy list of insecure and unsightly sidewalks, which he recommended that the board condemn. His report Mr. Boyd says: "Considerable complaint is entered to the Street Department on account of the practice, which is and has been largely prevalent in this city, of tearing away insecure or dangerous wooden sidewalks and replacing the same with cinders. All such walks, whenever found, are noted and included in the list."

Chief Engineer Renwick of the city Water Works reported that 43,911,000 gallons of water were pumped for the week ending July 17th. The Holly pump was run 85 and the Stevens pump 155 hours. The board authorized P. A. Miller to improve J street, between Fourth and private contract. He proposed to lay down a new material which he has found, and which he calls "Excelsior cobble covering."

TENTH-STREET IMPROVEMENT. The board took up the matter of improving Tenth-street, in front of the Capitol. Bituminous rock was the choice of the board, and Adrian R. Smith of San Francisco, being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract for fixing the street. The terms are that the concrete to be laid on the north line of L street to the south line of N street, except such portion thereof as is required by law to be kept in order or repaired by any person or company having railroad tracks thereon, be improved by removing cobbles, grading, laying a streetway of concrete not to exceed six inches in thickness, and a top coating of bituminous rock, rock gutters, three feet wide, iron curbs, and brick catch basins, and wood curbing, where not already done.

A resolution of intention to have the road-bed of the railway tracks and two feet on each side also paved with bitumen, was then formally passed.

NEW SIDEWALKS. Resolutions of intention for the following sidewalk improvement were passed as follows: A concrete sidewalk on Ninth-street, from the south line of Q street to the north line of U street; a wooden sidewalk on Tenth street, from the south line of L street to the north line of Y street; a concrete sidewalk on M street, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets; a concrete sidewalk on O street, between O and P, Seventh and Eighth streets.

Chief Engineer Guthrie of the Fire Department told the board that several months ago John Skelton petitioned and advertised for permission to erect a frame building on his wood yard at Fourth and I streets. The petition was snubbed now by protest, and Skelton did not put up the building. Mr. Boyd presented a bill for advertising and hauling in several times to Chief Guthrie, who had no interest in the matter. The Chief did not want any more bills and asked for the board's protection. The Trustees said they would take no action, there being no bill before them.

PETITIONS FROM OWNERS. A communication was received from B. Labs and other persons owning property in the block bounded by S and T, Eleventh and Twelfth streets, asking that more water mains be put in that district. The matter was referred to the Superintendent of the Water Works.

A communication was also received from persons owning property on Fourth street, between P and Q, asking that that block be improved by grading and graveling with Foster's sand gravel. The petition took the usual course of going over for a week.

City Surveyor Boyd being present, was asked by Mr. Constock if he had prepared any estimate yet of raising the levee from I to Y streets. Mr. Boyd replied that he had not, but would have his figures ready by next session.

The board agreed to go out and view the levees some this week with Mr. Boyd.

SPRINKLERS AGAIN. The incorrigible street-sprinklers came in for their usual weekly "shaking up." The Mayor said he had heard more complaints, particularly from the Fifth street, were not obeying the instructions of the board with reference to the hours for sprinkling. He said that on Saturday one of the sprinklers was out of order on K street at a time prohibited by the board.

E. Ellis, a Q-street property owner, also complained about the sprinklers. He said those who attempted to wet down his street either overdid it or else neglected it. He either filled the street with mud-puddles, or else drove over the street so rapidly as to barely dampen it—making more dust than anything else.

Trustee Green said he had been looking into the sprinkling problem of late, and was satisfied that a great deal of the trouble was due to the fact that the contractors employed boys to drive the wagons. "I told Mr. Bennett that he would have to stop this boy business," he added. The Trustees "these boys will not do the work properly. And besides, I believe a man could be arrested for hiring them—for cruelty to animals, or something like that."

THE PLAZA. There was some talk about the condition of the Plaza. The People's party had filed a request for permission to hold a ratification meeting there, and the board in granting it decided to put a stop to further political meetings there, after each party had had one meeting there. It was the opinion of the Trustees that the grass was in a bad enough condition now, and that it would not be wise to permit more than two gatherings there a week—at the open-air concerts.

The board decided to remit the saloon license of Fred Nelson, whose place of business is at Twelfth and streets. It appears that Nelson's place was under water for a number of weeks so that he could do no business. He returned the city service, it is stated, by hauling gravel into the road and repairing it. His license for one quarter was remitted.

After auditing a number of bills the board adjourned.

AN ALLEY COMBAT.

Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Jordan Resort to the Last Argument of Kings.

Annie Thomas was tried before Judge Craven yesterday for the battery of Mrs. Jordan. Both women are heavy-weight and live in the precinct bounded by M and N, Third and Fourth streets.

There were a number of witnesses, and considerable variegated testimony was given, which established conclusively that Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Jordan, the combined weight of whom would weigh in at near 400 pounds, had been making things lively over their way. As near as the facts could be ascertained from the testimony, Mrs. Jordan had been drinking and wanted Mrs. Thomas to go for more beer, and Mrs. Thomas wouldn't do it.

Then Mrs. Jordan vilified Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Thomas returned the fire, the pair of them met in battle array in the backyard, and people over in that region thought there was an earthquake.

But there was no earthquake—it was only Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Jordan. Mrs. Thomas hauled Mrs. Jordan over a picket fence, over the fence, she lighted on Mrs. Thomas, the victorious Mrs. Thomas fell, with a dull thud. When Mrs. Thomas fell Mrs. Jordan was coming, in full career, over the fence. She lighted on Mrs. Thomas, and of course both of them received a shock—so did the earth.

After the supposed earthquake a man appeared—presumably Mrs. Thomas' husband—and he endeavored to get his better and larger half back over the fence and into her own yard, but he wasn't equal to the task.

About the time he had elevated his spouse to the proper altitude, instead of coming over the line of upright pickets, he dropped Mrs. Thomas. This said the witness, smashed the fence, and it made all the folks madder and madder. At the moment Mrs. Thomas was arrested, and the case drops up in print.

Mrs. Thomas cross-examined Mrs. Jordan in court, Mrs. Jordan talked back, and City Attorney Hart tried to maintain decorum, while Bailiff Clark began to clear the main deck for active duty.

At an imminent crisis in the case Judge Craven assumed command and pronounced his verdict of guilty. He fined Mrs. Thomas \$10, and the principals withdrew. One of the witnesses, who had moved out of range as soon as possible.

DISAPPOINTED PEOPLE.

An Afternoon Musical Treat That Was Spoiled.

The Gardener of the Plaza Refused the Haverly's Band Permission to Use the Stand.

The Haverly Minstrel Band's announcement of a public open-air concert at the Plaza yesterday afternoon attracted a large gathering of men, women and children, who sat about under the shade of the trees to enjoy the music.

The afternoon's amusement was spoiled, however, by the action of the gardener, a man named Ward, who refused to allow the band access to the musician's platform.

The Trustees had given permission to the band to play in the Plaza, and G. A. Seale, leader of the Artillery Band, gave consent on behalf of the Musicians' Union, for the use of the chairs, still Gardener Ward would not allow the visiting musicians to occupy the stand.

The result was that the members of the band were compelled to stand on the ground while they played. They gave up after three selections and then quit, to the great disappointment and disgust of the hundreds who had gathered there to listen to the band's excellent music.

Ward, who had drawn a salary from the city for attending to the park, demanded \$5 for the use of the stand. This he denied to a Recorder's reporter, who asked him if it were true. As to the refusal of the use of the stand, Ward said he had positive instructions from the two open-air concert committees not to permit anyone to occupy the music-stand, and that he was strictly obeying orders.

Ward not to allow the occupancy of the music-stand, they made a serious mistake, for among the disappointed multitudes were a number of men who claimed they had contributed money toward the erection of the stand, and held that it was wrong to refuse a visiting band to use what they had donated to give a free concert for the public.

Whoever made the mistake yesterday, it certainly caused a great inconvenience to the large throng who were deprived of the anticipated treat.

William Foote, manager of the company, was seen last evening and asked if any money was demanded of him for the use of the stand, and he replied that Ward did demand \$5. He (Foote) did not believe the man had authority to charge for the stand, and refused to charge for it. He said the band would play there again this afternoon at 3 o'clock—on the ground, if admitted to, but on the ground if necessary.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION. The following articles of incorporation were filed in the Secretary of State's office yesterday:

The Collins Fruit Company, Santa Ana, Orange County. Capital stock, \$200,000. Directors—J. C. Collins, W. W. Anderson, E. E. Collins, Jas. A. Scarborough and J. E. Bunker.

SCARCITY OF "KICKS."

The County Equalizers Had Little Work to Do This Year.

Only Five Applications for Reductions of Assessments—How it Happened—Encouraging Enterprise.

The Board of Supervisors had a "soft snap" this year, so far as its labors as a County Board of Equalization were concerned.

The law makes it incumbent upon the board to devote the second and third weeks in July to hearing complaints of persons not satisfied with the County Assessor's idea of the value of their property, to correcting any mistakes that may have been made and to equalizing the roll in general.

QUITE A DIFFERENCE. Last year the board was compelled to put in a month of this kind of work, and tire some work it was.

But this year, from some unaccountable cause, the board has had to labor a small portion of one day.

This was for the simple reason that out of the entire county there were only five complaints or requests for reductions.

These five applications were taken up yesterday and disposed of, after which the board adjourned for the year.

What's the cause of it? asked a reporter of Supervisor Bates.

"Dunno," was the reply. "I expected to see a whole houseful of them in here, but I guess they all forgot it. It may be one of those freaks of human nature that you can't tell anything about."

Chairman Greer's explanation was that the assessment this year is uniformly lower than last year, and in consequence the people were satisfied. He also thought that the Assessor had made his levies so evenly that nobody could find fault.

ASSESSED TOO HIGH. The first case taken up was that of the Sunset Telephone Company. Assessor Irvine has assessed the telephone lines in this county at \$57,100, which included a valuation of \$100 each on the 400 odd telephones operated by the company.

This, the latter thought, was unjust, and asked that the telephones be reduced to \$25 each, thus reducing the entire assessment to \$12,500.

Assessor Irvine said he based his figures on what other counties had done. Some of them had assessed as high as \$300 per telephone. San Joaquin, Yolo, Marin, Santa Clara, Sonoma and Alameda had all assessed telephones at \$100.

B. U. Steinman addressed the board in behalf of the telephone company. He said the latter was a new enterprise and needed encouragement. Last year it had lost money in Sacramento, but intended to persevere. It was his opinion, that Sacramento abandoned the practice of driving capital and enterprise away "by assessing them out of their boots."

Regarding the company, Mr. Irvine had referred to as examples he followed, Mr. Steinman said the Assessor's information was not reliable. Santa Clara had assessed on telephones at \$15, and so had San Francisco and other counties. The company had not asked Marin and Yolo County to reduce, because so few telephones were there as to make it an object. "I'll tell you what it is, now boys," said Mr. Steinman, in conclusion; "if you reduce some smokesacks in this town and county, you've got to do something to encourage capital and enterprise, and not drive them away. This company intends to stay here. It has erected fine buildings in San Francisco and other cities, and has just authorized me to purchase a lot for it here in Sacramento for another office building."

The Supervisors expressed themselves as being desirous of lifting the burdens from deserving enterprises, and ordered the assessment on telephones reduced to \$25.

ANOTHER ENTERPRISE. "Now, that's right in line with the request of the Sunset Telephone company," said Supervisor-Equalizer Bates. And so it was. The Folsom Company had been assessed \$30,000 for its big dam in the city. Mr. Bates said it was an enterprise that deserved encouragement, and moved that its application for a reduction to \$25,000 be granted. The motion was carried.

The application of J. B. Welby, a farmer living near Fruit Ridge, for a reduction of his assessment from \$40 to \$20 on an acre of his acres was also granted. It was explained that the land had produced nothing for several years.

The complaint of E. J. Gregory that \$17,500 was too much on an assessment of his block of land in the eastern suburbs of the city, was rejected. Assessor Irvine proposed a reduction of 50 per cent, declaring that the land is already assessed too low.

The application of Thomas J. Clunie, for a reduction of the assessment on his warehouse and furnishings of his office in this city from \$9,500 to \$6,500, was also rejected.

This completed the list of five complaints, and the board adjourned sine die.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

Brakeman William Elery Quinley's Shocking Death Yesterday.

A distressing accident happened on the railroad near Brighton Junction yesterday morning by which a well-known brakeman named William Elery Quinley, who resided at 1023 E street, lost his life and left a wife to mourn his loss.

Quinley was employed on a freight train, which had just left the junction, and was engaged at the time in releasing the brakes on the long line of cars. While making his way from the front to the rear, on the roofs of the cars, he came to a flat car.

In descending from the box car to the flat he missed his hold in some way, and fell between the cars to the track below.

The car passed over his body, grinding his limbs almost to a pulp and otherwise injuring him. A vehicle was present in which he fell to the County Hospital, but the unfortunate man died before the hospital was reached.

Deceased was an experienced and trusted employe of the company and a man who was greatly liked by his fellow employes. He was 30 years of age.

The terrible loss has cast a gloom over the neighborhood in which he lived, and Mrs. Quinley is quite prostrated by the shock.

Deceased was a member of Tehama Lodge, No. 3, F. and A. M. His funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from his late residence.

THE BOWTLE ESTATE. Frank D. Ryan, administrator of the estate of A. K. Bowtle, deceased, filed for approval in the Superior Court yesterday his report, showing sales of and transfers of the estate into cash, after paying the expenses of administration and taking out his commission, there remains belonging to the estate \$4,135.80.

SWIMMING BATHS REPAIRS. The repairs at the swimming baths having taken longer than was anticipated, the baths will not re-open until Wednesday morning, instead of to-day.

CHINESE METHODS. Intimidation and Blackmail Carried on Openly.

The Story Told by a Prisoner in the City Jail—How Testimony is Bought and Sold.

One of the Chinese in the City Jail, charged with complicity in the high-bidder shooting affray and murders, wise and interview with a reporter yesterday. When afforded the opportunity the Chinaman came to the outer iron door of the corridor, and in very good English told the following tale, which he related with evident sincerity.

He said he thought the papers ought to know that two or three of the leading high-bidders are working these murder cases, and procuring and sending away witnesses with the sole purpose of making money out of them. A Chinaman known to be one of the smoothest of the slippery crew, named Fong Ah Ling, has been visiting the jail constantly, and under various pretexts obtains interviews with the prisoners.

Yesterday, according to the man interviewed, Fong Ah Ling called at the jail with the object of levying an assessment. He interviewed Longy Toon, one of the prisoners, and offered him \$100 for murder, and told him to make the following proposition to Lee Him, the latter being also a prisoner and evidently one of the leading high-bidders.

Fong Ah Ling said that if Lee Him would accept the offer for the six men now confined in the City Jail, both the Chee Kong Tong and the other Tong crew in San Francisco.

The man interviewed stated that Lee Him is the man who has money, or means of obtaining it from San Francisco, and if he will furnish the \$800 now lying further will be done toward prosecuting the six men now in jail. In other words, the high-bidders are willing to unite in doing away with the witnesses in the cases, and hush the matter up.

It is probable that in this way the whole business will yet be "squared." The Chinaman quoted says the wily Fong Ah Ling is working hard to that end, and that he is going to the courts to add him in levying blackmail. If the story is told by the Chinese informant be true, Ling negotiates with the prisoners under the very eyes of the officers, but they of course do not know what conversations go on between him and the prisoners.

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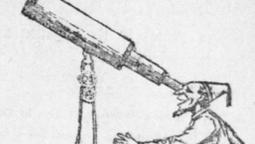
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