

PILLS BY THE CITY

The Common Council Votes to Have

ITS OWN STOCK OF MEDICINES

The City Physician to Act as Chief Compounder—Routine of the Council Meeting.

Alderman Dunton was the only alderman absent at the meeting of the council last night.

J. A. Wygant and other residents of Sixth avenue petitioned for a sewer in that street. Referred to the committee on sewers.

The township board of Walker sent in a report of the division made in the highway between the city and that township. Placed on file.

The republican county committee asked permission to suspend a banner across the street at No. 57 Monroe street. Granted.

Sealed bids for furnishing the city with coal and coke for the coming year were presented by the following firms: A. Hines, Leppink & Co., E. A. Hamilton, Grand Rapids Ice and Coal company. The bids were referred to the committee on buildings.

Chas. M. Logan street object to the proposed grade to be established in that street. Their petition was referred to the aldermen of the tenth ward.

Comptroller's Budget. The weekly budget of the comptroller, amounting to \$29,112.83, was allowed.

Comptroller Vandenberg, by a communication, recommended that the May lighting bill, amounting to \$22,392, be paid to the Grand Rapids Electric Light & Power company, providing the company waive all rights to interest from the delay in settlement. Accepted and adopted.

Comptroller Vandenberg objects to the noise made by the city machine shop recently placed in the basement of the city hall and asked that his office be moved to some other portion of the building. Referred to the committee on buildings.

The committee on streets asked permission to purchase from one or more persons suitable street signs and to move the naphtha lamp posts to street corners where needed in order to place signs upon them. Granted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred the petition of the Old National bank and Frank Risley, asking that hack drivers be prohibited from leaving their vehicles on the corner of Pearl and Canal streets, recommended that the hacks be moved to the space on Pearl street west of the south entrance of Sweet's hotel, and from Canal street, between Pearl and Lyon streets, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. The report was accepted and adopted.

Will Have a Drug Store. The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred bids for city drugs, reported that all bids be rejected and that the city establish its own dispensary under the charge and control of the city physician, and that the city physician be directed to prepare a list of drugs and medicines, exact quantities, required for the use of city patients and submit the list to two wholesale druggists for figures, and the figures submitted to the committee on ways and means to report the lowest responsible bid to the council. The committee believes the present system to be objectionable in many ways. The report was discussed at length. Alderman Hauser thought the city under the present system is paying 75 per cent more for drugs than it should. Alderman Anderson supported the report, arguing that the city should save the amounts charged by druggists by compounding prescriptions by having the city physician do his own compounding. Alderman Kinney was afraid the city physician could ask for a prescription check if the report were adopted. The report of the committee was accepted and adopted and the city will keep its own drug store.

Grand Mr. Powers' Petition. The committee on buildings reported in favor of granting the petition of W. T. Powers to be permitted to proceed with the construction of the addition and entrance to his opera house. Adopted.

The following resolutions were presented: For the appointment of a committee to locate a district to be assessed for the improvement of a sewer in Wells street from Wealthy avenue to Buckeye street. Adopted.

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Instructing board of public works to furnish appropriate estimate of expense of constructing a sewer in Hollister street from Cherry street to Buckeye street. Adopted.

For estimate of expense of improving Hollister street from Buckeye street to Cherry street. Adopted.

Estimate of expense for placing vertical curbing in Prospect street. Adopted.

For the construction of sidewalk on the north side of Webster street from Front street to Turner street. Adopted.

For the construction of a sewer in the line of the west side ditch from North street to Grand river, and for appropriate estimates. Adopted.

On the Death of Mr. Parmelee. For the appointment of a committee to present resolutions on the death of ex-Alderman Parmelee. Adopted. Alderman Emmer, Anderson and Frost

were appointed as such committee by the mayor.

For the appointment of a committee to locate a district to be assessed for the improvement of the alley between North Lafayette and Barclay streets, from Lyon to Leonard court. Adopted.

For the appointment of a committee to locate a district to be assessed for the improvement of Bank street, from East Bridge street to Squires alley. Adopted.

Petition for the laying of water mains in Elizabeth street, from Leonard street to Jameson's addition. Referred to the board of public works.

For the appointment of committee to locate a district to be assessed for the construction of a sewer in alley between Jefferson avenue and Cass street, from First avenue to Wenham avenue.

That the board of public works be requested to report to the council why the work of improvement of Lyon street from Barclay street to North Union street is not prosecuted with more vigor, and that board be requested to hold the contractor responsible for all damages that may be claimed by reason of said delay. That the city marshal be ordered to notify the Telegraph and Telephone Construction company, or any other company having poles and wires in Ottawa street between Pearl street and Fountain street, to cause the poles to be set back against the curb lines on the east side of the street within twenty-four hours of the time of receiving the notice and if not done within that time to cause the same to be done and make his return to the council. Carried.

For the appointment of a committee to locate a district to be assessed for the improvement of Lyon street from North Division street to Barclay street. Adopted. For low lights at the intersection of Portsmouth Terrace and Fountain street. Committee on lamps.

That the city marshal be directed to notify the proper officials of the fire alarm service to cause the surface of street pavements disturbed by laying conduits for fire alarm service, to be placed in good condition without delay. Adopted.

Asking the council to invite the K. O. K. M. now in session at Detroit to hold its next annual encampment in this city. Adopted.

Thanked the G. R. & L. Railway company for the courtesies extended the aldermen during their recent trip to Mackinac. Adopted.

Forbidding the hitching of teams on Monroe and Canal streets to Bridge street. Adopted.

On motion of Alderman Turner the mayor was instructed to protect the interest of citizens in the public streets. This motion referred to the action of the Consolidated Street Railway company, which is repairing the asphalt pavement on Canal street with gravel. On motion of Alderman Conger the mayor was empowered to begin an action in court if necessary to compel the company to conform to the requirements of the ordinance in repairing the pavement with asphalt. The council then adjourned.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES. Mr. Paul Leicester Ford has for the first time collected in one handy volume, entitled "Writings of Christopher Columbus," those letters, etc., of the voyage which describe his experience in the discovery and occupation of the new world. The book will be published immediately by Messrs. Charles L. Webster & Co. The same publishers will shortly issue, in the same series, "Autobiography of the Story of a Life," by Walt Whitman. The "Autobiography" is published as a companion volume to "Selected Poems," and, like that book, was authorized by the poet shortly before his death.

Few publications have ever attracted more attention than that unique review, "Current History." It is the outcome of a happy thought as to the literary needs of the present busy age. Published at Detroit, Mich., \$1.00; after November 15, \$1.50 a year.

James A. Herne, the well known actor, manager, and the author of "Margaret Fleming," "Drifting Apart," "Shore Acres," etc., contributes a delightful paper to the September Arena, entitled "Old Stock Days," in which he reviews the theatre of yesterday. The contribution bubbles over with wit and humor. The Shakespearean controversy, which is eliciting such general interest, is continued in this issue. Among the advocates for the Bar of Avon, who will appear in early issues of the Arena, are Prof. W. J. Rolfe of Boston, and Dr. F. J. Furnival and the Rev. Dr. A. Nicholson, two of England's greatest Shakespearean scholars.

Prof. J. J. McCook of Wesleyan university has made a thorough study of the causes and extent among people of the several nationalities, of the venal voters in Connecticut, and the proportion of purchasable citizens is alarming. He will publish his investigation of the subject in the September Forum.

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One of the very best republican "organs" for this 1892 campaign, or any other campaign, is E. V. Small's "History of the Republican Party." It is much more than a mere campaign book, in fact is a most valuable history for every citizen of every party. Another good thing about the book is that it is issued by the famous publisher of cheap books, John B. Allen, No. 75 Rose street, New York, and therefore to be had at a low price, only 36 cents, post paid.

The September number of The Art Interchange is more than usually attractive. It has an interesting biographical sketch of the famous young American sculpture, Paul Bartlett, with illustrations of some of his works. Among these is the celebrated "Bear Tamer," which is in the Art Museum at New York. A new department—"Views by Her"—is exceedingly clever. Price of this issue of The Art Interchange, including five supplements (three in color), is 35 cents. For sale by all newsdealers.

It may not be known to everyone that Mrs. Benjamin Harrison is one of the best of American flower painters. Since she has occupied her position of lady of the White House, however, her public duties have largely prevented the exercise of her artistic genius; but in that period she has found leisure to paint one of the loveliest representations of flower life that ever came from an artist's brush—a magnificent group of orchids on a porcelain vase. With that touch and kindly spirit which has marked her career, she has presented this single production of her want leisure to the public, and Democrat's

Magazine has the honor of being the medium through which this painting is offered to the mothers, wives and daughters of America, to whom it is lovingly dedicated.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for September—The political kaleidoscope of Central and South America is continually changing, and probably few even of the best "posted" readers could name off-hand the actual presidents of the various Latin-American republics. The current (September) number of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly gives a concise account of them all, with numerous portraits and illustrations, in a timely article entitled, "A Bird's-eye View of Latin-American Politics," by Jose Horan.

The plot of one of the best of Mrs. E. D. E. O.'s stories, the famous book was founded on episodes in the career of a man who began life as a blacksmith. The story of his social and political triumphs is admirably set forth in this book, which under the name of "The Lost Heiress," has just been published in a new series of "Twenty-five Cent Series" of choice fiction. When not to be had of your bookseller or railroad news agent, copies will be sent by mail on receipt of retail price by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, Pa.

Home and Country Magazine for September will contain an excellent portrait and sketch of Mrs. Harrison, the wife of the president, an engraving of the grand review of the army at the close of the war, several short stories translated from the French, a description of Zimmerman's bicycle conquest in Europe, with portrait, and many other readable papers by its able corps of contributors.

The September Scribner contains the unusual number of seven elaborately illustrated articles, including:

The Emperor of Russia Blessing the Waters of the Neva at Epiphany; The Last of the Buffalo; The Hidden Trust Library; What Shall It Be? The Nevsky Prospekt; A Case in Point; French Art; Stories of a Western Town; Insomnia; The Indian Who is Not Poor; Her Last Work; The Education of the Blind; Death at Daybreak; Historic Moment; The Point of View.

"Tales from Town Topics" (No. 5) is fully worthy of its predecessor. The subtlety of the American wit, the keenness of French intuition coupled with realism that is at once bold, yet checked by a wholesome sense of propriety, is here displayed with a force that is sure to make itself felt in American literature. We are proud of these regular and refreshing visits. 50 cents. Town Topics, 21 West Twenty-third street, New York.

Modern society has welcomed common sense shoes and common sense forms of dress, writes John Lambert Payne in an attempt to solve the question "Why Young Men Defer Marriage?" in the September Ladies' Home Journal. It would seem that the time is opportune for a widespread outbreak of common sense marriages. At all events, if a change from the present stagnation is to be effected, three things seem to be necessary: First, there must be a popular knowledge of the facts; second, the people at large must think; and third, there must be action.

The September Forum, which begins volume fourteen, brings a table of contents of more than usual timeliness. For instance, a prominent place is given to "The Lesson of Homestead: A Remedy for Labor Troubles," by Chansey F. Black, of Pennsylvania; the remedy he proposes being the incorporation of labor organizations precisely as organizations of capital are incorporated. Mr. Black writes with great sympathy for the workingmen's side of the contest. The political articles, which have been an especial feature of the Forum this summer, include an analysis of the "Alarming Proportion of Venal Voters," primarily in Connecticut, by Prof. J. J. McCook, which is the first effort that has been made to get at the causes of the venal and to analyze the causes and methods of vote buying and selling; two articles on "Methods and Morals of Campaign Committees," by Herbert Welsh, of Philadelphia, and Hon. M. B. Harter of Ohio, who both favor open methods of conducting a campaign, even the publication of the expenditures by committees; and an explanation of the real meaning of "A Tariff for Revenue," by David A. Wells, a thorough-going exposition of the democratic position on the tariff. This, it is announced, will be followed by an article from Senator Aldrich.

There is a full page, half-toned engraving of Hon. James O. Haines in the "Life of Benjamin Harrison" which The Herald is offering free for new subscribers. Order at once.

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A Matter of Wonder. "I see by that sign," said the man in the chair to the barber, "that you hone razors for private use."

"Yes, sir. Have you some that want honing?"

"No; but I was wondering why you didn't hone the razors you use on your customers."—Brooklyn Life.

Making an Application. Housekeeper—No, no, no! I don't want anything. This is the tenth time I've had to say this this morning.

Tramp Peddler—Don't you want ter hire me to stay here an say it for yer, ma'am?—Harper's Bazar.

Who It Was. Mrs. Timid—Did you ever find a man under the bed?

Mrs. Bluff—Yes; the night we thought there were burglars in the house, I found my husband there.—Tit-Bits.

Both Gons. Dasherway—I am going out of town, and I came around to know if I could borrow your dress suit case.

Travers—I am sorry, old man, but it's with the dress suit.—Tenth.

A Boston Occupation. Mrs. Beacon (thinking to put Harry at his ease) and what are you doing with yourself these days, Harry?

Harry (aged six)—I am now writing a history of the world.—Life.

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