

ST. PAUL NEWS.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A Largely Attended Meeting of the Board of Directors.

The meeting of the board of directors of the chamber of commerce was well attended yesterday morning, though nothing of any special interest transpired.

MORE ELECTION PRECINCTS NEEDED.

The sub-committee of the executive committee made a report which will be found below in favor of increasing the election precincts in St. Paul, which was adopted and the secretary was directed to send the same to the city council.

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with his fist and in so doing broke the stove. This incensed Henry, who got a hatchet and was about to go for his brother when a copper walked them both in. They were fined \$15 each and they produced the beautiful long stuff and liquidated.

The case of J. A. Brunson, charged with being too giddy with the boys, was called but the little fiddler did not appear, and her bail of \$20 was forfeited.

Frank Smith, a tall willowy youth, was charged with disorderly conduct. He told the court all about the case, and was discharged on the ground that he had told the truth, the case being a trivial one anyway.

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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Contracts Awarded—Assessments Confirmed—Three Plank Sidewalk Recommended for Ohio Street, Etc.

At the regular meeting yesterday afternoon, all the members of the board of public works were present and Mr. Farrington presiding, the following business was transacted.

The following specifications were approved and the clerk instructed to advertise for bids. Grading View street, from Randolph to Grace street; sewer on Summit avenue, from Rice street to Dayton avenue, and on Dayton avenue, from Summit avenue to Farrington avenue.

The assessment for grading Edmund street, from Rice street to Dale street, was confirmed.

The assessment for grading Sherman street, from Rice street to Exchange street, was adjourned to September 29.

The following bids were received for grading Banfill street, from Seventh to Duke street, at an estimated cost of \$5,400: Geo. A. Moran, at \$3,800; P. H. Thornton, \$3,973; Jas. Munroe, \$4,485; J. W. Doherty, \$4,473; Carl Eahr, \$5,150. Awarded to Geo. A. Moran.

The following bids were received for constructing a sewer on Valley street, from Canada to Fairview street at an estimated cost of \$2,795: Daniel Mulren, \$3,925; John W. Doherty, \$3,150; Chas. T. Miller, \$3,565; Stockton & Lindquist, \$3,150. Awarded to Stockton & Lindquist.

On motion it was ordered that the sum of \$43.75 be abated on the assessment for sewer on William street, from Mississippi to a point opposite to 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 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The matter of a change of grade on Oak street, between Ramsey and Walnut streets was returned to the council with an adverse report.

The following were referred to the engineer for plan and estimate of cost: Grading Pennsylvania avenue, from Mississippi street to L'Orion street; grading Grace street, from Seventh street to Victoria street; grading Banfill street, from Sixth street to Hoffman street; grading a sewer on Ninth street, from Franklin to Exchange street; sewer on Jackson street, from Third street to Mississippi river; grading Robt street, from Ohio to Menomni street; grading York street, from Payne street to Forest street; grading the street for a levee in block C, Banning & Oliver's addition to West St. Paul, to Dakota avenue in Robertson's addition in the same ward; grading, curbing and paving the street, portion of Broadway in front of lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 28