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PLAN FOR OPENING WYOMING AVENUE

It Was Vigorously Championed by Seaman Roche.

GOT A GOOD START IN COUNCILS Ordinance Passed Two Readings on Compromise and Was Referred Back to Committee—Resolution Adopted Which May Lead to the Early Paving of North Main Avenue and the Upper Portion of Providence Road.

The opening of Wyoming avenue which will entail an expense of nearly \$100,000 to the city was given a decided impetus in select council last night. Through the engineering of Mr. Roche and by means of a compromise with those opposed to hurrying the project through the ordinance passed two readings and was referred to committee.

As per resolution received Nov. 22, 1897, instructing me to receive options for opening Wyoming avenue and report at the next meeting of select council, I will state that I wrote the property owners on the line of said improvement asking for an opinion on their property, on Nov. 11, 1897, and received replies from 27 owners of them. There are three more property owners to hear from, viz: W. Gibson Jones, James Kearney and the Delaware and Hudson company.

A LIVELY DEBATE. When was read the city engineer's report of options granted, Mr. Roche's offer that it be received and come up for consideration in connection with the ordinance was carried. Then a long series of debates ensued over Mr. Roche's further motion that the ordinance be taken from committee and placed on its passage.

City Engineer Phillips submitted an estimate of \$24,500 for a sewer system along certain streets of the North End. The estimate in its present form was not asked by resolution but was furnished for the use of councils in connection with the extensive paving scheme of Providence road and North Main Avenue.

A recent resolution of councils directed the city engineer to make plans and an estimate of cost for a sewer system in the Fifth district south of section A. This has not been finished. A part of the territory mentioned, however, covers the proposed paving route and the partial estimate which follows was prepared for use in case it is decided to build the sewer before the pavement is laid.

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company owns the land on both sides of Providence road from the Carbon street crossing to Diamond avenue, and that the company's intention in the matter of paving could be independent of property owners farther north or of councils, but that General Manager Hallstead had intimated that the company would probably petition for a pavement if the same was done by property owners along the northern section of the route.

When the finance committee reported favorably, through Mr. McCann, on the Burns resolution, which directs the payment of bills and claims after approval by the auditing committee, the mayor and without the approval of councils, it was opposed by Mr. Lansing, Mr. Wagner and Mr. Chittenden. They contended that councils under the existing system had no more than a sufficient check against errors. If, as Mr. Burns and the supporters of the resolution claimed, it was drafted in the particular interest of the laboring man, the resolution should have been so worded.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED. Mr. Burns and Mr. McCann debated in favor of the resolution and it was adopted by the following vote: Ayes—Kearney, Clark, Roche, Manly, McCann, Feltner, Schroeder, Burns, McCann—9 votes. Nays—Ross, Finn, Thomas, Williams, Chittenden, Wagner, Lansing—7 votes.

An opinion was received from the city solicitor that the title was clear and land proposed for sale to the city for a building for the Cumberland Hose company. The Monahan estate, through Attorney Berthoff, had claimed title to the lots. City Solicitor McGinley informed councils that \$2,500 was the total damages awarded by juries in the improvement of Ninth street. He recommended that appeals be taken and was so directed by resolution.

The city solicitor reported a large number of damage claims against the city and recommended the appointment of a committee to bring about an adjustment with the claimants. A long time was occupied in debate pro and con the city solicitor's suggestion. Mr. Chittenden and Mr. Lansing being especially active in opposing it and Mr. Roche in favoring it.

Chief Hickey's report of the unsafe condition of the flooring of Century Hose house was referred to committee. On recommendation of the mayor, city solicitor and city engineer, it was agreed to pay George Brown \$250, the damages he claimed under the provisions of the ordinance for sidewalks for Jackson, Robinson and Ninth streets. This insures the early completion of the work. The contract has been let, but the contractor declined to perform the work and is held responsible for the Brown claim.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED: Providing for plans and estimates for a grade and a stone block pave on Sixth street between West Linden street and Lackawanna avenue.

KILLED CROSSING THE TRACK. Dragon Ladacho Was Run Down by a Passenger Train. A coal picker, Dragon Ladacho, aged 25 years, was struck and instantly killed yesterday afternoon by the Jersey Central passenger train leaving the city at 3:05 o'clock.

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FOUR CONTESTS ARE INSTITUTED

Petitions Presented to Court Just Before Adjournment Yesterday.

THOSE WHO SIGNED PETITIONS

The Contests Were Begun by Charles H. Schadt, Matthew Norton, George S. Horn and William S. Langstaff. It is Alleged That in All the Election Districts of the County a Large Number of Illegal Votes Were Cast.

Just before court adjourned yesterday afternoon, Attorney Joseph O'Brien requested permission to file petitions for Charles H. Schadt and Matthew Norton, instituting contests against Clarence E. Ryan and John Copeland for the office of sheriff and prothonotary respectively.

Attorney C. Conroy asked permission to file a petition for George S. Horn, contesting the election of John E. Jones to the office of district attorney, and Attorney John P. Scragg did a similar service for William S. Langstaff, who questions the legality of the election of Michael J. Kelly to the office of county treasurer.

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MINER FATALLY INJURED. He Thought the charge Would Not Explode But It Did. Patrick Schofield, a miner in the Dickson colliery, received injuries yesterday morning which resulted in his death shortly afterward.

STABBING AFFRAY AT DURVEA. David Williams is in a Very Critical Condition. David Williams, of Durvea, son of Supervisor Williams of Marcy township, is lying in a critical condition as a result of a stab wound inflicted by Mike Pedra on the night of Dec. 1.

Dr. Evans' Fortune. Parle, Dec. 12.—It is stated here that the late Dr. Thomas W. Evans, of Philadelphia, left a fortune of between \$500,000 and \$800,000 in landed property and investments. His landed property here is valued at \$200,000.

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