

JOSEPH TAYLOR IS CONFIRMED

MAYOR'S NOMINEE FOR NORTH END PAVE INSPECTOR.

Select Council Approves His Nomination and Also That of Thomas B. Potter to Be Police Patrolman. Resolution Adopted Providing for Assistants to City Assessors in Making the 1899 Assessment—To See What Can Be Done Toward Repairing Asphalt Pavements.

Mr. Lansing of the street and bridges committee reported favorably on Mayor or Bailey's nomination of Joseph Taylor to be inspector of the Providence pavement at last night's select council meeting. A long debate followed a motion to confirm.

President Chittenden asked if there had not been some legal action instituted against the beginning of the work. Mr. Ross said there had not been. Mr. Wagner said Mr. Ross was incorrect and argued against confirmation until the matter was out of court. Messrs. Williams, O'Boyle, Kearney and Roche argued in favor of the nomination, suggesting the adoption of a resolution providing that the inspector receive no pay until the work was started.

The nomination was confirmed by a vote of 18 to 1. President Chittenden alone voting against it.

A brief communication from the city solicitor informed council of the court's opinion in the case of Henry Koehler versus the city, that the petitioner was liable for only the cost of the pavement in front of his property. The recommendation of the city solicitor that an appeal be taken, was adopted.

QUINCY AVENUE PAVE.

The proposal of the Barber Asphalt company as follows was the only one for paving Quincy avenue, between Pine and Gibson streets: For grading and paving, \$2.37 per square yard; for straight curb, 46, 53 or 60 cents per lineal foot; for circular curb, 38 cents per lineal foot; for resetting old curb, 27 cents per lineal foot.

President Chittenden called the attention of the pavements committee, to which the proposal was referred, to the fact that the proposed curb, higher or than the price offered in the petition, \$2.10 per square yard. It was later explained that the proposal was higher because of the Scranton railway company's intention to lay a double track. This would throw regular traffic upon a limited section of the pavement, necessitating a deeper concrete base than was provided for by the original specifications.

The following resolution relative to employing assistants in the city assessors department was adopted:

That the city assessors be authorized to employ clerks to assist in making up the assessment for 1899; ascertain the names and residences and occupation of all persons within the respective wards of the city liable to assessment, together with the personal property owned by each liable to assessment, also all transfers and alterations of real estate together with the number of dogs, etc., and ownership of the same. The compensation of said clerks to be 7 cents for each assessment and 10 cents for each dog, the expense to be included in the deficiency appropriation for 1899.

LETTER OF EXPLANATION.

Accompanying the resolution was the following letter of explanation from the assessors:

We respectfully call your attention to the fact that no appropriation or provision has been made by your honorables bodies for the purpose of employing help to prepare the city assessment for 1899. In the past, councils have deemed it advisable to employ help for the purpose of visiting each house to ascertain whether there had been any changes in ownership of real estate or whether assessment on persons, property or occupations were correct. We assume that city councils have not concluded to discontinue this practice, which surely has considerable merit and which prevents confusion which must necessarily arise in case the errors in personal property and occupation are not corrected.

It is evident that it would be impossible for the board of assessors to visit every house in the city in the time allowed. We therefore request that you take such action on the accompanying resolution as to you shall seem best.

The mayor's nomination of Thomas B. Potter to be police patrolman was, on motion of Mr. Roche, taken from the table and confirmed. An important action was involved in a select council resolution introduced by Mr. Roche providing for the appointment of a special committee of three to confer, in connection with the city engineer, street commissioner and city solicitor, with representatives of asphalt paving companies and see if some plan cannot be suggested for pavement repairs this year, payments to be made later.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Mr. Lansing, of the pavements committee, remarked that the committee had last night prepared a similar resolution but including only the three city officials. He had, however, no objection to the passage of Mr. Roche's measure. It was adopted. Later Mr. Chittenden appointed Messrs. Roche, Lansing and Ross on the committee.

Mr. McAndrew's resolution that \$14,000 for the purchase of Tripp's woods be included in the bond ordinance committee's report, was adopted.

Mr. O'Boyle's resolution that an item providing for \$8,000 for a site and building for Eagle Hose company, was adopted.

Rules and regulations for the fire department, adopted by the board of fire engineers, were introduced for confirmation by Mr. Thomas and referred to committee.

Mr. Williams, chairman of the sewers and drains committee, introduced a resolution providing that the proposal of V. H. O'Hara to construct Section 12 of the Fifth Sewer district be rejected. Accompanying the resolution was a letter from Mr. O'Hara. It referred to his proposal submitted on May 25 and said the price of labor and material had increased since then; that the cost would be further increased if a pavement was first laid; that the amount of the bond required, \$5,000, and the fact that he would have to wait a long period for the city's share of the cost, between \$2,000 and \$2,500, would put him to unexpected expense.

A GREAT TONIC. Hersford's Acid Phosphate. Ranks as the best remedy for debilitated men and women.

ROSS' MOTION LOST.

There was a disposition not to adopt the resolution, Mr. Ross being particularly opposed to it, but his motion to table was lost and the resolution was adopted.

Ordinances providing for the paving of Breck and Forest courts south of Spruce street were referred to committee with orders for printing if favorably considered.

Ordinances passed third reading as follows: (Common council) For paving between Lafayette and Division streets in the Fourth ward; (common council) for a sewer on Stipp court, from Mulberry street to 270 feet north of Vine street.

The streets and bridges committee reported favorably Mr. Oliver's common council ordinance regulating vehicular traffic.

DONATIONS FOR AUGUST

Acknowledged By the Sisters of the Good Shepherd.

The following donations for August are acknowledged by the Sisters in charge of the House of the Good Shepherd:

- Mrs. Thomas Manzan, Pittston, \$50.00; Messrs. McLaughlin Bros., Avoca, 25.00; J. J. Williams, Merchants' bank, 25.00; Mrs. J. J. Williams, 10.00; Thomas Gallagher, Scranton, 10.00; Rev. Patrick Murphy, Olyphant, 10.00; J. E. Barrett, Scranton, 5.00; H. Hald, Scranton, 5.00; V. Koch, Scranton, 5.00; Mrs. M. J. Kelly made liberal donations of hams and provisions. Small donations amounting to \$11.50, names not given.

CITY NOTES

RE-ELECTED SOLICITOR.—Attorney James J. O'Malley has been re-elected solicitor for the Winton school board.

MEETING TODAY.—The managers of the Home for the Friendless will hold a regular meeting this morning at 9:30 at the Home.

ACTING CHIEF.—Captain Edwards will be acting chief of police in the absence of Chief Gurrell, who is on his annual vacation.

PRICE RAISED.—The Scranton Lathery company and nearly all of the other milk dealers of the city have raised the price of milk from 5 to 7 cents.

FUNERAL THIS MORNING.—The funeral of the late Sylvester Dietrick, of Company F, will occur this morning at 10 o'clock from his late home, corner Jackson and Chestnut streets. All members and ex-members of Company F, and of the regiment are requested to attend in uniform.

PAY DAYS.—The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company paid yesterday at the Archbold, Hyde Park and Continental mines. Today the Diamond, Manville and Halstead mines will be paid. The Delaware and Hudson company paid the superintendents, agents and clerks at Scranton and Carbondale yesterday.

LICENSES GRANTED.—Marriage licenses were yesterday granted to Louisa Benda and Giuseppe Palermo, of Lackawanna; Anthony Munley and Bridget T. Brown, both of Carbondale; John James Dorsey, of Wilkes-Barre, and Julia Corcoran, of Minooka; Joseph Shuch and Benecia Sagnska, of Minooka; Martin Markiewicz and Anna Mostavska, of Scranton.

TRAVELER AGAIN.—C. W. Traver, the liquor traffic reform agent, appeared before Alderman Kasson yesterday as prosecutor in the case of Jesse Harrington of Marvin street, Providence. She was charged with selling without license. The defendant was already under bail on the same charge. T. H. C. Mahoney being prosecutor in that case. Yesterday she was held in \$500 bail.

SENT SEA BASS HOME.—John J. Neary, who is spending his vacation at Atlantic City, sent his business partner, John Jennings, of Neary & Jennings, of Wyoming avenue, a barrel of fresh sea bass yesterday. With a party of friends Mr. Neary spent two days fishing twenty miles from land. His share he shipped home. Mr. Jennings distributed the fish to his friends yesterday.

PURE FOOD AGENT.—R. M. Simmers, special agent of the pure food bureau of the state department of agriculture, is in the city for the purpose of preparing for the grand jury cases against several retail merchants who failed to pay the costs and settle the cases brought by the state department. He has been in the city for several months ago. Out of twenty defendants, all but seven paid the costs, promised not to sell adulterated or spurious goods and escaped prosecution.

TRIO OF DEFENDANTS.—A queer trio were arraigned before Alderman Hill yesterday and charged with assault and battery. They were Mrs. Mary Moran, of Spruce street, and her young brother and sister, aged respectively 12 and 12 years. Mrs. Bridget McNamara, a neighbor and sister-in-law of the oldest defendant, was present. Alderman Hill discharged the boy and girl and held Mrs. Moran in bail to appear at court.

SIGNED BY MAYOR.—Among the measures signed by Mayor Bailey yesterday were the following ordinances and resolutions: Directing the city engineer to accept the cost of an asphalt repair plan to be used by the city, and if the same could be successfully operated by the street department; changing the name of Price place to Amelia avenue; establishing the grade of Delaware street between Wyoming and Washington avenues, providing for a sewer in Stipp court, Harrison avenue, Stipp court, etc.

FALSE ALARM.—Unless there is a change in the method of making gas at Dr. Hill's Albany Dental parlors the establishment will be taboed by the fire department. The district companies yesterday and their fourth response to a false fire alarm caused by the queer antics of chemicals used at Dr. Hill's place of business. Someone on Wyoming avenue saw a dense volume of smoke issuing from the windows of the dental parlors, over the First National bank, and into the alley at the rear of the avenue. He supposed a fire was in progress and at 1:25 o'clock turned in an alarm from Box 25 on the Dime bank corner. The companies as usual, found that the smudge came from some heated nitrate of ammonia.

POLICEMEN SHOOTING.—It has been found that sixty feet would be an impractical distance for the revolver match between the Wilkes-Barre and Scranton police teams. The conditions are so arranged for a sewer in Stipp court, Harrison avenue, Stipp court, etc. will be at thirty feet. In practice at sixty feet yesterday only four out of 130 shots hit the target. A telephone message from Sergeant Kline of the Wilkes-Barre police, showed that the practice of the blue-coats of that city at the same distance was not any better. A telephone message from Sergeant Kline of the Wilkes-Barre police, showed that the practice of the blue-coats of that city at the same distance was not any better. A telephone message from Sergeant Kline of the Wilkes-Barre police, showed that the practice of the blue-coats of that city at the same distance was not any better.

CITY ENGINEER RISES TO REMARK

CALLS COUNCILS' ATTENTION TO THINGS OVERLOOKED.

Unusual Demands on the Engineering Department Will Not Stand a Reduction in Its Appropriation. New Method to Be Employed in Laying Street Railway Tracks. Attention Must Be Given the Necessary Work of Making North Main Avenue Uniform in Width.

Two important communications containing pertinent information about city construction work were received by select council last night from the city engineer.

One was in protest against the transfer of funds from the engineer's department. In the way of explanation this letter included facts of interest in relation to work in prospect and the new method of laying street railway tracks. Following is the letter:

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 25, 1898. Gentlemen of Councils—I learn that two ordinances, No. 29 and No. 30, of the Select Council, are under consideration by your honorable bodies. The said ordinance provide for the transfer of six hundred dollars from the engineer's appropriation made for first assistant city engineer in my department. On account of various court decisions and other delays there was not so much as originally planned for this year as in previous years, hence I was unable to get along with the present force, without filling the present vacancy.

The prospects now are quite different and you should know that there is an immense amount of work before me this fall, and next spring much more so than any past year. The following improvements, viz: The Providence road and the City Main avenue sewer, the Bromley avenue sewer, the systems of sewers in the Eleventh ward flats, the Seventh ward district sewer, and the same sewer in the Eleventh ward, the Fourteenth ward, have already been contracted for. The Quincy road Park avenue pavements will cost about one hundred and sixty thousand (\$160,000) dollars, and will require more attention and labor than this department with its present force can give.

REQUIRE MUCH WORK.—The Providence road and North Main avenue pavements alone on account of its irregularity will require more time and labor from this department than if double the amount of this improvement was being done in the central city. A very important point in the construction of this road is the fact that the Quincy road tracks will be an entirely new construction for this city. A steel channel will be used for the rails, but no wooden ties whatever after the bed or subgrade has been prepared and thoroughly rolled and compressed, the ties and rails will be set on temporary supports, the concrete will then be evenly spread over the subgrade under and between the ties and rails and it must then be changed manually over the surface, and special care taken to stamp and pack the same under the ties and rails so as to give the rail an even uniform bearing throughout its length. If this is not done properly the construction will be a failure. On the other hand, if properly done the question of keeping our pavements and tracks together will have been solved and the inconvenience to the traveling public and injury to our pavements and tracks through the continual cutting up of our pavements to repair car tracks will be seldom heard of or seen in the future.

This mode of construction has been done successfully in other cities, and we should be able to do so well here, but to accomplish this desideratum sufficient help must be given this department and competent inspectors appointed to see that the work be properly done and the requirements of the specifications complied with. I respectfully appeal to your honorable bodies not to pass the ordinance as mentioned. On the other hand I respectfully ask you to permit me to meet the city council providing that the expenditures shall not exceed the amount appropriated for assistants in this department for this fiscal year.

Joseph P. Phillips, City Engineer.

NOW IN LOWER BRANCH.

The ordinances to which the city engineer refers have already passed select council and are now in the lower branch. On this account the letter was ordered received and filed. In common council, however, the letter will probably receive the attention it deserves.

The second communication was in reference to the widening of Main avenue to uniform width. It reads as follows:

Scranton, Pa., Aug. 25, 1898. Gentlemen of Councils—I respectfully call your attention to the fact that Providence road and North Main avenue is of variable width between fences, and that it will be almost impossible for me to follow the ordinance establishing the

width of roadway and walks for the various widths of streets. Between the square and Weston place very beautiful and valuable shade trees will prevent me from having more than twenty-five-foot roadway between curbs unless the trees should be removed. At ends all the property owners are very anxious for a fifty-foot roadway or more. I therefore respectfully request you to take some official action by which I may be governed in the laying out of this work.

I respectfully suggest that this matter be referred to the joint committee on streets and bridges or pavement with a request that they take immediate action. Very respectfully, Joseph P. Phillips, City Engineer.

The communication was referred, as requested, to the joint committee on streets and bridges.

THEY ARE CONFIDENT.—Letter Carrier Delegates Determined to Get the Next Convention for Scranton—Pledges Received.

John H. Phillips, E. D. Jones, Michael O'Malley and Joseph Fiddam, the Scranton delegates to the Letter Carriers' convention, which begins next Monday in Toledo, Ohio, left at 12:10 o'clock this morning via the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road to be on the ground early in the movement to bring the 1899 convention to this city.

They are armed with endorsements of the invitations from councils, the mayor, the editors of the local papers, and fifty of the most prominent business men. They also have campaign placards and buttons and enthusiasm galore.

More valuable still they carry with them twenty proxies from cities in Pennsylvania that do not intend to send delegates. The whole state, with the exception of Philadelphia, which is non-committal, and New York state with the exception of New York city and Buffalo which like Philadelphia would give no decided answer, are solid for Scranton.

Baltimore and Chattanooga are the rival cities. The fight, however, will be between Chattanooga and Scranton, as Baltimore is quite certain is only in the fight for the purpose of making a deal for the first vice-presidency.

There will be 700 delegates and 500 votes in the convention. Every branch in the union has been "seen" by the Scranton campaigners and from the answers received there is every reason to believe that a majority of them will favor the city.

This is the third time the Scranton carriers have made a fight for the convention. Two years ago they were defeated by only six votes and they had the whole of New York against them. Last year when Toledo captured the prize it was conceded quite generally that Scranton should be recognized next time and if the sentiment that prevailed then had not undergone a great change the local delegates will come back victorious.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. Editor of The Tribune, I wish to say that it did me good to see G. E. Wiggins immediately offered to make sign boards for the park. Now I dare any one else to come and make such liberal offers. J. T. Richards gave me \$5, E. S. Jackson gave me a helping hand, Dr. Evershart put in some good fish and fifty sun-bath in the pond, where the aligators are. There was a large crane put in the cage; but the crane died. A large snapping turtle had been added to the course. Mrs. E. N. Willard gave me \$2 and said let the good work go on, that she did not know there was such a beautiful place in Scranton until only a few days ago.

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Gunners Attention. Now that the hunting season is approaching it is time to think about getting a gun or a place to buy a coat or ammunition. We are the place. Special drive on Hunting Coats From \$1 Up. FLOREY & BROOKS, 211 Washington Ave. Court House Square.

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THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF G. A. R. AT CINCINNATI, O. Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad. For the thirty-second National Encampment of G. A. R. to be held at Cincinnati, O., September 5 to 16, 1898. The Pennsylvania Railroad company will sell excursion tickets at rate of single fare for the round trip.

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Clothes Line. 50 feet long, braided and made of the best Sea Island cotton, are here at . . .