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IMPORTANT STREET SCHEME.

The following is an abstract of a big and highly important street improvement scheme as presented by Mr. Rice for the street and alley committee at the city council Tuesday evening. In many respects it is the most important and far-reaching scheme presented to the city council since the water works were put in. The scheme practically includes the inhabited portions of the east side and embraces the following features:

FIRST—A road of good substantial macadam, 18 feet wide on most streets, and 25 feet in Port Clinton, St. Johns and Vine avenues; all the rest 18 feet.

SECOND—The cost will be about \$1.25 a foot on each side of the street; thus a 100 foot lot will cost \$125, to be paid spot cash or in seven years. This estimate of cost includes the parkways, and means good, thorough drainage, and hard, solid road bed.

THIRD—The gravel streets of Highland, this committee finds, cuts through under heavy teams and will not do here.

FOURTH—These taxes will fall on speculative and improved property alike, and being divided into so many payments—the first one to be made in 1898—will not be heavy or burdensome.

FIFTH—The committee have letters by the dozen from prominent citizens and property owners asking for this improvement, and as they are our biggest taxpayers, some heed should be given to their wishes.

SEVENTH—Aldermen Rice, Obee and Fritsch sign this report and recommend its adoption. Here is the designation of the streets for improvement:

TWENTY-FIVE FEET WIDE.

Port Clinton avenue, known as the Sheridan road, from Central ave. northerly to Fort Sheridan; macadam on sand foundation, with brick gutters.
St. Johns avenue, from Central avenue north to Vine street.
Vine avenue, from westerly city limits to Elrst street, and from the Chicago and Northwestern railroad tracks to Port Clinton ave.

EIGHTEEN FEET WIDE.

Linden avenue from the Sheridan road, northerly to Maple avenue; sand foundation, necessary catch basins and drains, but without gutters.
Dale avenue from Prospect ave. to Park ave.
Grand Bluff Place and Belle avenue, entire length.
Forest avenue, from Sheridan to Prospect ave.
Lake avenue, Hazel ave to Laurel ave.
Lake Place, from Laurel ave to Central ave.
Maple avenue, from Port Clinton ave to Linden ave.
Elm Place, from St. Johns ave to Linden ave.
Linden Park Place, entire length.
Park avenue, from St. Johns ave to Grand Bluff Place.
Hazel avenue, from St. Johns ave to Lake ave.
Ravine avenue, from St. Johns ave to Forest ave.

A CHARMING PROGRAM.

A charming soiree musicale was given at the club house on Saturday evening, April 3, under the direction of Mrs. Nettie R. Jones. The assisting artists were Miss Marian Carpenter, F. W. Carberry and the Browning quartette. Most of them are too well known to need special mention. The Browning quartette, the personnel of which is Mrs. Ada M. Sheffield, Miss Jessie Hawley, Miss Daisy Hubbard, and Mrs. William C. Lawson, made its initial bow to the public before the Woman's Club of Chicago on February 20th, and was received with enthusiasm. Friends and critics unite in predicting for it a bright future. It is seldom that four voices so sympathetic in quality are heard in ensemble work. The program at the Club House last Saturday evening was as follows:

1. Sonata Rubenstein
Mrs. Nettie R. Jones, Miss M. Carpenter.
2. (a) "You'll Love Me Yet."
(b) "This is a Spray."
The Browning Quartette.
3. "Without Thee" Guy d'Hardelot
Frederic Carberry.
4. Adante from Mendelssohn Concerto
Miss Marian Carpenter.
5. Madrigal Harris
Miss Sheffield.
6. Lullaby Geo. F. Root
The Browning Quartette.
7. (a) "Were My Song with Wings Provided."
(b) "Thanks for Thy Hand."
Mr. Carberry.
8. Suite Schut
Mrs. Jones, Miss Carpenter.

Brown & Bahr have a stock of sweet peas raised especially for the Highland Park market and climate. They don't give them away but they will grow and bloom.

ELECTION RETURNS.

SUPERVISOR.	
A. W. Fletcher	384
J. C. Coe	265
Fletcher's majority	119
ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR.	
W. F. Hogan	368
J. S. Prall	227
Hogan's majority	141
ASSESSOR.	
E. L. Palmetier	567
CLERK.	
E. P. Hart	569
COLLECTOR.	
F. M. Evans	571
COMMISSIONER.	
J. Mahen	565
JUSTICES OF PEACE.	
Daniel Pease	552
David A. Holmes	550
Peter F. Dooley	569
L. Comstock	526
CONSTABLES.	
W. F. Edwards	515
Fred Rudolph	550
Charles Gordon	401
Carl Grant	553
J. A. Bourke	193

According to these returns F. M. Evans received the highest number of votes of any candidate. Does that prove he is the most popular man in town? We know nothing to the contrary and so set it down in that way. Judge Dooley leads all the justices and is happy.

CLUB ENTERTAINMENTS.

There will be a stereopticon lecture on "The Japanese" by R. J. Bennett, next Tuesday evening, at Presbyterian church for the benefit of the Young Men's Club. Admission 25 cents. Plans have also been formed for an illustrated lecture on Electricity by Prof. Elisha Gray, Tuesday, April 20th, at the Young Men's Club, and a reception and æolian concert Tuesday, April 27th, at the club rooms. The admission is 10 cents to the last two mentioned entertainments, club members being admitted free to all of them. These entertainments should be patronized by everyone and thus help along the club enterprise.

Evans Bros. find their spring trade to be getting so brisk that they have purchased a new light wagon.