

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special Meeting Held to Extend the Time for Collecting the Ridge Street Assessment Roll.

THE RESOURCES AND PLANS OF THE ROCK RIVER BROWNSTONE CO.

Description of a Handsome New Dwelling About Completed by Contractor Van Iderstine.

Council Meeting. Scarcely more than a quorum of aldermen were present at the special meeting last night. The business, although unimportant, was imperative and a sufficient number of the city fathers yielded reluctantly to the necessity that required their presence, the more so as the regular meeting is very close at hand.

The time for the collection of the West Ridge street assessment roll had expired by limitation and the meeting was called to extend it. In the absence of the mayor, Alderman Mack, as president of the council, officiated in the chair. After the usual monotonous reading of the minutes, Alderman Palmer moved the suspension of the regular order that the business of the meeting might be reached at once. The motion was carried and the assessment rolls for the grading, curbing, macadamizing and guttering of Ridge street from Oak to Fifth streets, was submitted for extension. Upon the motion of the chairman of the street committee the time was extended to February 3rd.

The chairman of that committee then communicated to the council some facts he had learned regarding a previous improvement of Ridge street covering much of that portion embraced in the present improvement. The records show that away back somewhere, Sidney Adams executed a contract for grading, curbing and macadamizing Ridge street from Fourth street to a point 350 feet west, and was paid for the same. That work took in 28.8 feet of lot 1 in Harlow's addition No. 6, and all of lots 14 and 15 in the plat of Harlow's addition No. 1. This latter embraces the Burr Gaspar and Van Iderstine properties. As those parties oppose the present improvement, the foregoing facts may be found to have some bearing upon it. Their consideration will be taken up next Monday evening.

The council made a slight change in the profile of the trunk sewer. Upon recommendation of City Engineer Paul McKey, the drop of two feet near the Jackson dock was altered to a gradual fall from the higher to the lower level, and \$25 additional was allowed the contractor for effecting the change.

Rock River Brownstone. Charles Johnston, of the newly organized Rock River Brownstone Co., was in the city yesterday and left with George Barnes, the secretary and treasurer of the company, a number of fine drill cores from the company's property. The company owns about 150 acres of land east of the mouth of Rock river, between Lake Superior and the D., S. S. & A. railway. Good stone is found only 700 feet from the lake shore and about a quarter of a mile from the railroad. The little bay there is pretty well sheltered by a point and An Train island, and a good dock will be built this winter so that shipments can be made by lake just as soon as the quarry can be opened up in the spring.

Mr. Johnson has been exploring on the property with a diamond drill for several months. The stone is found in horizontal beds and over twenty perpendicular holes have been put down. The results obtained are very surprising in some respects, as an examination of the drill cores at the First National bank will show. With only seven feet of stripping, a solid body of stone is found seven feet thick, five of it being "No. 1 brown." Thirty-nine feet down another solid body of brown, resembling the Marquette "raindrop" was found twenty feet in thickness. This in itself would make the property one of the most valuable of its kind yet found. But the most singular find in the property is a 10 foot layer of clear white sandstone, fine grained, as white and sparkling as loaf sugar and absolutely without flaw. Such a layer has been found in no other quarry in the peninsula and it should find a ready market as the handsomest brown. The most beautiful variegated that the reporter has seen, is also found in this property at another point. It differs from the ordinary variegated in being banded, the white and brown alternating in such a way that the effect produced is striking and beautiful in the greatest degree. This layer is also ten feet in thickness.

With very light "stripping" and with four or five different grades of merchantable stone, all found in heavy bodies, the outlook for the company is a splendid one. There are 20,000 shares of stock, of which 5,000 are set aside as treasury stock and will soon be placed on the market by Mr. Barnes, probably at \$2 per share. Mr. Johnston controls the greater part of the remaining 15,000 shares himself. Those interested in the development of the deposits of building stone on the upper peninsula, should examine the samples now on ex-

hibition here from the new quarry. More will probably be sent up soon, but those already here are worth looking at.

The Van Iderstine Mansion. Among the many fine houses which have been erected in Marquette this season, the residence just being completed by C. C. Van Iderstine is one of the finest and latest. The erection of this house was not commenced until comparatively late in the season and work upon it was done only at times when Mr. Van Iderstine could spare his men from other important contracts on hand. It has been done by dribbets, so to speak; but now that the regular building season has ended, almost the entire force employed by Mr. Van Iderstine was assigned to this task, thus accomplishing its early completion. The painters and plumbers have almost completed their part of the work.

The house faces upon Spruce street at the junction with Prospect street. It commands an uninterrupted view of the lake shore from the lighthouse reservation as far northwestward as the eye can reach. The position permits of easy drainage, ensuring a healthy location. The front elevation is attractive and it is Mr. Van Iderstine's plan ultimately to change the south elevation by the addition of a half-octagon bay and bell tower projecting on brackets from the second story. A wide veranda extends around the east and north sides.

The visitor, upon entering, finds himself first in a vestibule hall of spacious dimensions, with arches and portiere curtains on the right and left. The latter opens upon the beautiful oak staircase, the balusters and newel post of which are spirally turned. The former opens into the front parlor, and that, in turn, leads by another arch into the back parlor, where there is a handsome tile fire place and oak mantel. The finish of all these rooms is antique oak. The usual service rooms, comprising dining room, kitchen, pantry, china closet, etc., are in the rear and arranged with regard to greatest convenience. A nobby feature is a small lavatory off the hall and utilizing the space under the front stairway.

The second floor is laid out in very commodious bed rooms. The front room is appropriated by Mr. and Mrs. Van Iderstine and is one of the prettiest in the house. The finish is best selected Norway pine and compares favorably with the antique oak of the rooms below, in point of beauty. Portiere arch and curtains screen the lavatory and dresser. All bed rooms have their attendant closets. A bath room, linen closet and corridor occupy the space not taken up by the bed rooms.

The attic is large and can easily accommodate three more rooms which can be added when they are found necessary. The house is piped for gas and wired for electric light. It is warmed by a little, compact heating apparatus which is the owner's pride. The Sommerworth steam heating appliances, for which M. R. Manhard is agent, are used, and Mr. Van Iderstine finds that with one pound of steam he can keep his house abundantly warm in all weather. Very little fuel is required to maintain that pressure, a small wood fire keeping up a pressure of four pounds.

PERSONAL MOVEMENTS.

Mr. Walter Stafford, of Milwaukee, arrived yesterday.

Manager Healey, of the telephone exchange, returned yesterday from his New Year's visit in Detroit.

Mr. W. J. Dawson, of Republic, scanned the sights in the Queen City yesterday and managed to transact some important business.

Mrs. Deane, mother of Landlord Deane, of the Hotel Marquette, left yesterday for a week's visit with Chicago friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Burns, of Manistee, who have been the guests of Mrs. Burns' uncle, Joseph Fay, for several weeks, have returned home. Mrs. Burns is best remembered here as Miss Maggie Fay.

Mr. J. E. Sweatt, a former resident of Marquette, is in the city now and talks strongly of locating here again. For some time past Mr. Sweatt has resided at the "Soo," but he has such complete confidence in the future of Marquette that he plainly sees prosperity in the path of him who casts his lot in this growing town.

William Allen, the Republic lumberman, was in the city yesterday on business. Mr. Allen is putting in sixteen millions for the Kirby-Carpenter and Whitbeck companies this season, and has eighty men in the woods. He has a narrow-gauge logging railroad ten miles long, with two locomotives making five trips per day, the banking being done on the Michigan river six miles below Republic.

That Reduction. In the price of overcoats, which Duquette & Metz announced immediately after Christmas, is still in force, and a large variety of fine garments still affords ample range for selection. The coats must be sold, and the firm can better afford to sell them at a great sacrifice than carry them over to next winter. Their offer to cut prices one fourth, or 25 per cent, is made in good faith and will be strictly adhered to.

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