

THE CITY-HALL.

There were thirty-three deaths reported yesterday.

An estimate for \$4,747 was allowed yesterday to Johnson & Co. on account of fire-proofing of the new City-Hall.

ALD. APPLETON, Peovey, Riordan, Meyer, and Murphy, who went down to New Orleans to witness the Ryan and Sullivan fight, returned to the city yesterday.

MAYOR HARRISON insists that the policemen sent to theatres, private entertainments, etc., should be paid for by the parties benefited. Upwards of \$20,000 is annually wasted in that way.

The Huebner fund was increased yesterday by the following sums: Mayor Harrison, \$41; A. B. Ingraham, \$30; Adam Gerhardt, \$5; and ex-Ald. Ryan, \$34, making a total of \$110. The total amount received thus far towards the fund is \$1,246.

It seems that certain persons are making water connections with boiler engine tanks, which is an addition and alteration contrary to law. The ordinance provides for a fine of from \$10 to \$50, and the revocation of the plumber's license who makes such connection.

The Committee on Streets and Alleys South Division, met yesterday afternoon, and a small regiment of property-owners was present to argue pro and con on the improvement of Twenty-sixth street. The matter was postponed. The committee recommends that the name of Groveland Park avenue be changed to Groveland avenue.

COMPLAINT was made at the Health Office day before yesterday that a person claiming to be sent by the Health Department was visiting houses on Fulton and West Lake streets trying to get the job of vaccinating people at 25 cents a head. The person referred to by the complainant states that he never said at any house that he was an employe of the Health Department, or was directed by it to do vaccination. He is, he says, a physician in good standing, and has a letter from Dr. De Wolf recommending him for the work. The price he charges is what doctors ordinarily ask.

BUILDING permits were granted yesterday to F. Lawrence for a one-story cottage, 20 by 30 feet, North, near Elk Grove avenue, to cost \$1,000; Union Iron Mattress Company, two-story addition to factory, 91 by 80 feet, Erie and Sedgwick streets, to cost \$2,800; Alex Owens, two-story flats, 23 by 40 feet, Seymour, near Fulton street, to cost \$2,000; Charles Hayes, two-story and basement factory, 91 by 51 feet, Milwaukee avenue, between Jefferson and Clinton streets, to cost \$7,000; John Johnson, one-story cottage, 20 by 31 feet, No. 805 North avenue, to cost \$1,000; J. H. Frick, two-story store-room, No. 1179 Milwaukee avenue, 22 by 25 feet, to cost \$1,000; M. Christopher, one-story cottage, 21 by 30 feet, Nineteenth street, near Ashland avenue, to cost \$1,000; P. Copek, one-story cottage, 21 by 40 feet, Dashiell, near Twenty-ninth street, to cost \$1,000; Frank Paroh, one-story cottage, 21 by 40 feet, Larkin and Van Horn streets, to cost \$1,000.

THE POLICE-PATROL SYSTEM.

Chief-of-Police McGarrigle yesterday promulgated a general order in reference to the operation of the police-patrol system, which will hereafter be known as the signal-service system. It fixes the hour for the details from 7 o'clock a. m. to 8 p. m. and from 8 p. m. to 7 a. m. Day and night duty will be performed by the details alternately every two weeks. The order goes on to state the duties of the operators in the stations. There will be two operators in each station, having the same hours as the detail, and a part of their duty will be to keep records of all reports received, and, in case the wagon at any given station is out when a call is received, to telephone for the next nearest wagon. There will be a Signal Sergeant in each detail, whose duty it will be to look after and take proper care of everything belonging to the wagon and station under his charge, and when out on a call to report to headquarters for orders as often as possible. The patrolmen detailed to each wagon are all under the authority of the Signal Sergeant. The drivers are instructed to keep a sharp watch for defects in the wagon or apparatus, or defects in the horses. Each detail will in its respective district respond to all fire alarms. The Signal Sergeants will issue keys to the boxes in their respective districts to a certain number of respectable citizens, the number of the key and name of the recipient being carefully noted upon the records of each station.