

in a condition disgraceful to a city which claims to be progressive and enterprising ; and further, they are of the opinion that the bad condition of the streets is seriously affecting the business interests of the city."

A week later, the Manitoba Board of Fire Underwriters proposed to this Board that the two Associations should jointly represent to the City Council the matter of the condition of the streets, but as this Council had already acted in the matter, and the City Council already had the matter under consideration, it was felt that we could take no further action at that time.

In October, as no active measures had been taken in the direction of the improvement of the streets, the matter was considered at a meeting of the Board, which resulted in the following resolution being passed and forwarded to the City Council :—

"Whereas, in the business interests of the city, it is of the utmost importance that the streets of Winnipeg should be improved ;

"And whereas, it has been announced that the Canadian Pacific Railway have agreed to grant, for the next two years a low freight rate on paving material, as an inducement to the citizens to improve the streets ;

"Therefore, be it resolved, that this Board respectfully urge upon the Mayor and City Council the importance of taking advantage of the offer now made by the Canadian Pacific railway, and request that they will take such steps as may be necessary to have the principal streets of the city paved during the ensuing year ; and further, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Mayor and City Council, with a request that they will give the matter their earliest and best consideration."