

A short time after, the Legislative Committee of the City Council invited this Board, with other business Associations of the city, to send six delegates to a meeting of that Committee to discuss the frontage system of taxation for the improvement of the city's streets and pavements, in general. Delegates were sent, and, after holding some meetings with the Legislative Committee, the conference recommended to the City Council that several miles of streets in the city be macadamized during 1897. Action is now being taken in that direction by the City Council for this year.

CUSTOMS POSTAL PACKAGE OFFICE.

The Council last year reported that, notwithstanding the many requests made to the Customs and Public Works Departments at Ottawa, that they should carry out the promises made, to arrange for the removal of the Customs Postal Package Office from the inconvenient position in the Examining Wareroom, at the south end of the city to the Post Office building, so that no delay would ensue after the arrival of foreign mails for the delivery of packages subject to Customs duties, nothing had resulted. Immediately after the annual meeting the Council took up this matter anew with the Comptroller of Customs, and, after considerable correspondence, secured the fulfilment of the promise so often made. We are pleased to report that this office is now situated in the Post Office building in the centre of the city, to the great convenience of the public who receive packages by mail from foreign countries.