

WATER WORKS.—A public meeting has been called, as will be seen, to be held at the Court House on Friday evening next, to consider the question of providing water works in this city. In a matter so important, it is well that it be thoroughly considered, and we trust this meeting will be fully attended by the business men and tax payers of the city. It would seem that there is no special difference of opinion as to the propriety of procuring a system of waterworks. Nearly all are united on this point. The points of difference are, as to where the supply of water shall be drawn from, and whether the city shall build the works itself, rather than permit an outside party to do it, and receive rent from the city. We should be in favor of waterworks on either proposition; but should choose to take the water from Lake Mendota, and to let the job out, rather than that the city attempt to do it. The proposition now before the council suits us; it seems fair and economical, and gives the city the privilege of purchasing the works anytime within six years, at cost. If, within that time, the city is able to purchase, and the works are good, we should favor the purchase.