A STEAM FIRE ENGINE FOR ST. LOUIS.

The City authorities of Saint Louis have contracted with Mr. Abiel Shaw, of Cincinnati, for a steam fire engine. It is to cost $1,500, and be delivered at St. Louis on the 1st of December. The price is fixed according to the following plan:

1. The engine is to be 10 feet in length, exclusive of the engine, and is to be delivered at St. Louis on the 1st of December.

2. The price of the engine is to be $1,500.

3. The track of wheels is 10 feet in width.

4. The weight of the engine exclusive of the wheels is to be about sixty thousand pounds.

5. The steam engine is to be 100 inches in diameter, and 20 inches in stroke.

6. The capacity of the engine is to be at least equal to that of the "cipher's" fire engine of Cincinnati, and to be supplied with all the apparatus necessary to work the engine, including nozzles, planks, and hose.

The said engine is to be so constructed that the steam may be reduced from 170 to 100 pounds per square inch, and that the engine may be worked by a force of six men. The engine is to be worked by means of steam from the locomotive, and the steam is to be supplied by a boiler with a capacity of 100 pounds per square inch.

The engine is to be delivered at St. Louis on the 1st of December, and is to be paid for in twenty-four months.

The City authorities are pleased to place this order with Mr. Shaw, who has been recommended to them by the Cincinnati fire engine manufacturers.