THE DAILY RECORD-UNION.

FRIDAY.....JUNE 11, 1880.

Signal Corps Report—June 10, 1880.

TIME.	BAR	THR	HUM	WIND	RAIN	WEATH.
4:02 A. M.....	29.83	62	46	N. W. 22	....	Clear
7 A. M.....	29.87	64	43	N. 20	....	Clear
8:02 A. M.....	29.83	65	44	N. W. 18	....	Clear
2 P. M.....	29.83	72	34	N. W. 10	....	Clear
8:02 P. M.....	29.77	66	45	S. W. 10	....	Clear

Max. ther., 75 degrees. Min. ther., 61 degrees.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, June 10th.—Midnight.—For Pacific coast, clear or partly cloudy weather.

ADVERTISEMENT MENTION.

N. S. G. W.—Parlor meeting to night.

Cavalry Baptist Church Social this evening.

Dramatic Readings — Mrs. McLaren, Congregational.

Auction Sales.

M. J. Simmons & Co.—Furniture, carpets and bedding to-night.

M. J. Simmons & Co.—Valuable real estate sale to-day.

Business Advertisements.

Summer Suits—Lithauer, the clothier.

National Gold Bank—D. O. Mills & Co.

R. Levy, wholesale commission merchant.

Bristol's sarsaparilla and pills.

For Sale—Half interest in milk route.

Wanted—Situation by a young married man.

Wanted—Girl to assist in general housework.

Furnished Rooms—Clunie's new building.

Wanted—A good live canvasser.

One More Class for Beginners—J. L. Skinner.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

The county Board of Supervisors, upon petition of O. A. Lindsay and others, issued an order for an election of three Trustees for Reclamation District No. 341, to be held July 31, 1880, at Upham's store, Emmaton, Sherman Island. Inspector, M. Upham; P. H. Boggs and James Dexter, Judges.

Warrants were drawn against Swamp Land District No. 3, as follows: Warrant No. 609, C. Goldman, $461 40; warrants from 610 to 619 inclusive, Williams & Bixler, total, $3,002 07; No. 620, Williams & Bixler (account of E. C. Prather), $100; No. 621, Williams & Bixler (account of Sherwood Williams, Jr.), $100; No. 622, Williams & Bixler, $466 31.

A petition was received from owners of lands in Swamp Land District No. 3, asking the Board to levy an assessment, which was granted, and the sum of $181,251 42 ordered to be assessed against said district. James Arnold, A. G. Bogle and A. G. Winn were appointed Commissioners to make the assessment.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Beckley:

Resolved, That this Board, through the Chairman, appoint three appraisers to appraise either the lot known as the Goodell lot, fronting on Seventh street, between H and I streets, or the lot known as the McManus lot, on I street, between Sixth and Seventh streets; that this Board determine which of said lots shall be appraised by said appraisers for the purpose of constructing thereon a building to be used as a hall of records of the county of Sacramento.

Resolution adopted upon call of roll as follows: Ayes—Bauer, Bailey, Christy, Beckley, Butler and Wilson. No—Blair.

The McManus lot was then selected by unanimous vote of the Board.

Messrs. John W. Armstrong, James Lansing and F. A. Hornblower were appointed appraisers.

The following resolution offered by Mr. Beckley was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chairman of this Board, in connection with the County Recorder, procure from this county the right to use the method of indexing known as Campbell index.

The report of the viewers appointed to lay out a road in Road District No. 22, Lee township, filed, and hearing ordered June 24th, at 11 A. M.

Sheriff Heilbron was allowed $330 for feeding county prisoners for May.

The fees charged and collected by county officers during the month of May was as follows: Sheriff A. Heilbron, $511 47; Clerk T. H. Berkey, $547 45; W. E. Gerber, as Auditor, $111; as Recorder, $340.

Treasurer D. R. Callahan's report showed receipts to be $118,783 90; payments, $103,232 17.

Board adjourned to 10 A. M. to-day.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.—The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the California State Sabbath-School Association is to be held at Pacific Grove Retreat, Monterey, from July 1st to July 4th. It is expected that many delegates will be present from Sacramento. The railroad facilities are greater than ever before. Delegates may leave Sacramento at 11:55 A. M., San Francisco at 3:30 P. M., and San Jose at 5 P. M., arriving at Monterey at 7:10 P. M. The fare also has been greatly reduced. Round-trip ticket from Sacramento, $8 35; from San Francisco, $6; from San Jose, $3. Those who wish to go by sea may secure like facilities. The fare by steamer from San Francisco for round trip will be $3 on the Senator, leaving Thursday at 8 A. M. Each Sabbath school in the State is entitled to send five delegates, who will have the right to vote in the Convention, and all Sabbath-school workers are invited to take part in the general exercises. To meet Convention expenses and the needs of the State Association, an apportionment of three cents a scholar has been made upon the schools of the State. This is not large, say the managers, and it is thought that the schools will see the value of the State Sabbath-School Association sufficiently to make a generous response. The California Literary and Scientific Circle holds its first State Assembly immediately after the Sabbath-School Convention, opening on Sabbath evening, July 4th.

MERCHANDISE REPORT.—The following freight for Sacramento passed Ogden on the 8th: For Huntington, Hopkins & Co., 10 boxes hardware, 5 bundles hinges, 40 coils packing, 36 pieces iron pipe, 28 bundles black pipe, 6 bundles galvanized pipe, 1 box firearms; G. W. Fox, 3 crates oil cloth; Billingsley & Co., 1 box pipes, 1 bundle bolts, 1 case potato mashers, 1 bale broom wire, 1 box brushes, 10 boxes half-pint bottles, 10 boxes pint bottles, 2 cases mop handles; Lindley & Co., 20 barrels hams, 19 bales and 3 packages tobacco, 100 buckets, 275 cases and 15 tubs lard, 2 cases prunes; Whittier, Fuller & Co., 1 box moldings; Weinstock & Lubin, 2 boxes dry goods; J. G. Davis, 5 rolls carpet; Kohler & Chase, 3 organs; W. A. & C. S. Houghton, 1 case books; C. H. Gilman, 1 box hardware; Baker & Hamilton, 2 bales rubber belting; S. Lipman & Co., 1 box dry goods, 1 box corsets, 1 box knit goods; E. Lyon & Co., 2 boxes dry goods; Booth & Co., 8 cases and 6 packages tobacco; Adams, McNeill & Co., 33 packages tobacco; Hall, Lubrs & Co., 8 packages and 4 bundles tobacco, 1 case cigars; W. G. Richardson, 103 bundles printing paper; S. B. Paige, 1 iron safe; Ebner Bros., 12 barrels whisky; Gardner Bros., 2 organs.

RACE ON THE RIVERSIDE.—The contest on the Riverside last evening in the go-as-you-please race created a good deal of interest and drew a very large attendance—probably a larger number than was ever seen on the drive at any one time. The occasion was one free from all accident and greatly enjoyed. The starters were Patchen Girl, Bay Henry, George Treat and Little John. The race was a fair and hotly-contested one, affording a great deal of amusement for the spectators, and the horses came through in the order named above—Patchen Girl leading the quartet, and Bay Henry coming in close behind, and Treat and Little John heard from immediately afterwards. The speed trial was so well enjoyed that another similar occasion is already being placed upon the boards.

ODD FELLOWS' BATTALION.—Company A, of the Sacramento Battalion of Odd Fellows, have elected the following officers: Commander, A. H. Powers (re-elected); First Lieutenant, H. A. Burnett (re-elected); Second Lieutenant, F. Hogeboom; First Sergeant, Charles Cooley; Second Sergeant, F. Dassonville; Secretary, I. H. Miller (re-elected); Treasurer, Nelson Wilcox (re-elected).

FREIGHT MOVEMENTS.—The following car loads of freight were received yesterday: 1 of sewer pipe, 4 of wool, 4 of lumber, 1 of doors and blinds, 2 of wood, 1 of staves, etc., 1 of pig iron, 1 of wagons, 2 of merchandise. The following car loads were sent East: 2 of salmon, 2 of merchandise, 2 of wool, 2 of wine, 36 of tea, 5 of wool, 1 of lumber, 2 of sugar.

THERE will be a strawberry and ice cream festival at the Sixth-street M. E. Church, this evening. The young ladies have prepared a fine programme for the evening.

FANS!—Low priced, high priced and medium priced, at Fancy Goods Department, Mechanics' Store.

BUY YOUR SHOES at the Rochester Store, and save 20 percent. Northwest corner Ninth and J streets.

TRY Walther's Ague Cure, Third and J.

CHAIN LIGHTNING.

THE SCHOOL INVESTIGATION GROWS RED HOT.

It Gets Into a Tangle Now that Puzzles All Hands to Unravel — The Solution Postponed.

At the High School building last night the Board of Education resumed the investigation as to the Sacramento Grammar School. The rooms were, as before, crowded.

The Chair ruled that the prosecution should have the evening and one and a half hours Saturday evening, and the defense a like time thereafter.

Mr. Hornblower moved that, in consideration of the fact that Mr. McDonald is not now a teacher in the department, his term being out, therefore the investigation shall be declared closed.

Mrs. Hartley and Mrs. Bassett protested in behalf of parents of pupils, and said if the investigation should be closed it should be reopened as soon as Mr. McDonald announces that he is candidate for re-election.

Add. C. Hinkson wanted the investigation to go on, and his clients wanted a chance to vindicate their charges, and not have it go abroad that the matter has been smothered up. It had been said the whole matter emanated from the High School, and that is an issue.

Grove L. Johnson said the motion was a surprise to him, and not made at the desire of his client. As to the charge relative to the High School being the originator of the prosecution, that had been ruled out. Mrs. Hartley did not represent all the parents of the city, though she might speak for some. His client thought he ought to have his side heard. But Mr. Johnson thought that nothing had been shown against him yet that would hold water. If the investigation ceased now, Mr. McDonald would seek some method, in some way or in some tribunal, of having his side heard.

The Board refused to close the investigation, Mr. Hornblower voting aye.

In voting Mr. Tracy said the real question was, Why did the Grammar School class fail? He should not be limited by the testimony introduced by the counsel appearing, but should investigate also in his own way, and vote as he should believe was right and just to the schools.

Mr. Johnson moved to strike out all testimony outside of the inquiry as to whether Mr. McDonald is competent to teach arithmetic. That was the original charge; on that the investigation was ordered, and to that it should be confined.

The Chair explained that Mr. Hancock had filed charges within the time allowed, and they justified the course taken Wednesday night.

LELAND ENGLISH

Was called. He was a graduate of the High School. Mr. McClatchy claimed pupils had been ruled out. Mr. English said he was not now a pupil in a public school, and had not been for over a year, but is a pupil in a private school. The Board refused to hear Mr. English on an appeal from the decision of the Chair admiting him as a witness.

Mr. Hinkson asked if the ruling excluded all who had ever been pupils.

Mr. English addressed the Board and said he held a scholarship in the Business College, good for life, and he ceased to be a pupil every day at 3 P. M., subject to re-entry when he pleased. When graduated the President of the Board said it would always be glad to hear ex-pupils relative to the school system, and he desired to be heard. "We can show——"

Mr. English was checked by the President.

MISS WATSON

Was recalled, and asked as to the prevalent custom in the school in criticising Mr. McDonald's errors in speaking.

Mr. Johnson objected to going into this field of inquiry. Overruled.

Miss Watson said she had hoped she would be left out. She didn't like Mr. Johnson's tone as to the prosecution, and who was urging it, and the feeling involved. She wanted to say that she had no prejudice, personal feeling or improper sentiment regarding it. (Mr. Johnson disclaimed reflecting on her.) To Mr. Hinkson she said she had in her class an exercise requiring pupils to note and criticise the errors they heard or saw. For a time the pupils gave the names of those they heard make errors, and she told them to give the words only, but they might use her name. In the lists so reported it was frequent to find the errors quoted from Mr. McDonald. The effect was an unhappy influence.

LOOK OUT FOR BREAKERS.

Mr. Johnson here stated that he considered the whole matter, as being gone into, libelous, and would hold anyone responsible dealing in it. Mr. McDonald was not a teacher in the schools, and not under the jurisdiction of the Board. He was willing to go on as to his qualification in arithmetic.

Mr. Hinkson said his side did not propose to be intimidated.

Mr. Hornblower said he did not want to be held responsible, and protested against further proceeding.

Mr. McClatchy said if Mr. McDonald was not under investigation, then let him and his attorney leave.

Mr. Hinkson asked if one under investigation had the right to dictate as to what the course should be.

Mr. Johnson said he had the right to enter his protest, and if overruled he had a right to go on and make his defense still under protest.

Mr. McClatchy—If your client is not under our jurisdiction, why are you here?

Mr. Johnson—I have a right to be here—a right to protest and demur, and in law after a demurrer is overruled the defendant has a right to remain and protect his interests.

Miss Watson said she had always tried to uphold the authority of Mr. McDonald. He had said the teachers of the school must understand that he did not any longer propose to shoulder responsibility for promotions; that each teacher must stand and fall with her class. (To Mr. Johnson)—Had not been subpenaed; came by request only; supposed it right to come in a public inquiry if she was asked.

JOHN F. SHEEHAN

Is one of the proprietors of the *Daily Bee*. Had published or received within two years, he thought, manuscript of Mr. McDonald's. (Objected to by Director Wiemeyer and sustained. The Chair had held that if it was within one year the witness should be heard.)

Mr. Hinkson said the charges referred to three years, and said the ruling was error and crippled the case. The matter was debated in the warmest manner by Mr. Hinkson and Mr. Hornblower, the latter holding the manuscript was the best evidence.

Mr. Sheehan—The manuscript is now destroyed.

Mr. Johnson—Did you hear what I said about libel?

Mr. Sheehan—I heard some threats. I don't mind them.

Mr. Hinkson protested against intimidation of witnesses.

Mr. Tracy said as Mr. McDonald objected to the Board exercising jurisdiction over him, as he is not now a teacher, he would move to adjourn until the election of teachers comes on and postpone the investigation until the call of the Chair.

Mr. Hinkson protested in behalf of the public. The Board had invited the public to present charges. They had been made, not in malice, but in justice to the school system. To adjourn now would place the public in a false position.

Mr. Tracy said he would satisfy his own conscience always and then go ahead. When a teacher under investigation objected to the jurisdiction, he proposed to wait until the Board got jurisdiction and then have it proceed in its own way.

Mr. Sheehan—Within three years—(objected to and overruled). He had received communications every year for six years, perhaps within one year—not sure. He knew Mr. McDonald to be an educator in high position and was thus impressed with what he saw come from him in manuscript. He considered the manuscript grossly ungrammatical, the orthography bad and the composition very doubtful, coming from a man at the head of a great school. He had been thus impressed for years, and he said it now in greatest kindness to Mr. McDonald. (To Mr. Johnson)—Had to correct the manuscript; is not a teacher; has been a long time since he studied grammar; was not testifying as an educator; he did not propose to parse sentences to oblige Mr. Johnson and make an exhibition of himself; knew Mr. McDonald could not now see the manuscript, but wanted his testimony taken for what it was worth; the Board might hold him wholly incompetent to judge; was aware that Mr. McDonald could not challenge his views as to the manuscript, now that it is lost, except by cross-examining him, witness, as to his knowledge of grammar, but he declined to parse for Mr. Johnson; didn't know if he could parse the sentence offered; he was competent to judge of the correctness and incorrectness of Mr. McDonald's manuscript. (Mr. Sheehan, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Hinkson here had a lively rattle in the way of repartee and debate, in the course of which witness said the investigation was a great public matter, and didn't think it ought to be converted into a Police Court.)

W. G. WILLIAMS

Was called. Believed himself competent to judge of ordinary manuscript as to its grammatical construction, orthography, etc. A piece of writing was here shown witness, and he was asked to examine it, and Mr. Johnson objected as before, as not germane to the issue. Overruled.

Mr. Hornblower appealed, and after a lively verbal set-to the ruling of the Chair was not sustained. Mr. Hornblower's appeal was based on the statement that he thought it unfair to force Mr. McDonald into a position he declines to accept, and in doing so takes his chances, having objected to the jurisdiction of the Board.

LIGHTNING.

Mr. Hinkson objected to any Director acting as an attorney for the party being investigated. He protested against it. [Applause.]

Mr. Hornblower pronounced the insinuation false. He was acting in his official capacity. He declared Mr. Hinkson's statement false, and he wouldn't permit its reiteration.

Mr. Hinkson—I mean what I say. The Director has acted from the beginning as an attorney for Mr. McDonald. Every one present knows it. I reiterate it as my opinion. I don't say he is a paid attorney, however. [Applause.]

Mr. Hornblower—You can have your opinion, but don't charge it as a fact.

Mr. McClatchy gave notice that if applause was repeated he would move to adjourn sine die.

Mr. Hinkson in the name of God protested against the ruling. It had been objected that manuscript was not presented; that it is the best evidence. Now it is presented and the Board refuses to examine it.

Mr. Johnson (sotto voice to the reporter), Isn't this awful.

A REAL MUDDLE.

Mr. Hornblower supported the ruling, claiming that as Mr. McDonald had objected to the jurisdiction of the Board that objection was good, as he is not now a teacher. Therefore he goes to election without further investigation, and takes his chances.

Mr. Tracy said the position assumed by Mr. McDonald stopped the investigation, until he places himself before the Board as a candidate. On that position he takes all the chances.

The matter was further debated by Mr. Hinkson and Mr. Tracy at length. The latter held that no one can dictate to the Board as to the election of teachers; but any one has a right to say whether he will submit himself to the Board or not for investigation. Mr. Hinkson, on the other hand, held the examination was made proper by the presence of Mr. McDonald, and because it is to be assumed that he is a candidate for re-election. It was a public investigation relative to the public school system, and the Board had a right to go on irrespective of persons.

Mr. Tracy replied that Mr. McDonald had not offered as a candidate, and when election came on the Board might criticise and examine into the qualification of candidates—but not now.

Mr. Hinkson here offered the letter in evidence, and also another piece of MS. written by Mr. McDonald.

Mr. Hornblower, on a question of privilege, said he had not spoken to Mr. McDonald or any one for or against him since the investigation had opened, and always turned a deaf ear to all talk about, for or against him, reserving his judgment and trying to act fairly and in a judicial capacity.

The letters offered by Mr. Hinkson were passed around, and read as follows:

SACRAMENTO GRAM. SCHOOL
March 21st 1876

Prof O M Adams—Dear Sir: If you can get time to do so I would be much obliged indeed to have you prepare a set of questions in Arithmetic and Grammar to give to our 1st Grade, as a kind of test. The Examination in Grammar will be next week and in arithmetic the following week

Very respectfully
A. H. McDONALD

GRAMMAR SCHOOL, May 24th, 1875.

Add C. Hinkson, City Superintendent: Please send for the use of the Grammar School Teachers' keys ½ doz steel rings. They are in danger of losing their keys. respectfully

A H McDONALD Prin.

Mr. Johnson objected to the letter. First, it is dated in 1876; second, it is not germane to the issue. Objection sustained.

Mr. Hinkson asked the Board to ask Mr. McDonald if he was a candidate for re-election.

COMPLICATIONS.

Mr. Johnson said it was a matter of almost life and death to Mr. McDonald, and involved his twenty-four years of teaching. To some it is spite work; to the attorneys a matter of money. He protested against the question.

Mr. McClatchy said if Mr. McDonald is a candidate he wanted to go on, to ascertain his competency. If he is not a candidate, that ends it. The question was to him one of information. Should he vote for Mr. McDonald or not? That's all there is in it.

Mr. Hinkson said there was no spite work in it. Teachers do not own the schools. Is it just to impute unfair motives to people who are acting from the purest motives and in the interest of their children? It is not persecution; it is investigation on charges laid by children to their parents a hundred times over about a teacher. If Mr. McDonald is not a candidate, why trifle with the public? It has a right to know who are to come before the Board, to enter their protest or their indorsement in time.

Mr. Hornblower said he wanted only justice done. Mr. McDonald asked that his class be re-examined. The President called a meeting regarding it. Mr. McDonald at that meeting was charged as incompetent in arithmetic. As to that the Board ought to go on. Mr. Hancock's charges had only been filed, not accepted.

Mr. Hancock asked the Board if it proposed to ignore the charge as to Mr. McDonald's competency in grammar.

APPROACHING A FOCUS.

Mr. Tracy said he had made all the examination he desired, and had made up his mind how to vote for teachers, and as to him the investigation had as well close.

Mr. McClatchy—So have I.

Mr. Hornblower—So have I.

Mr. Griffitts—So have I.

The Chair declined to ask Mr. McDonald if he was a candidate, and the Chair on vote was sustained in holding such a question improper.

Mr. Hinkson said he had never been in such a fix. He didn't know where he stood. He was utterly lost.

Mr. Johnson—Have you any more testimony to offer.

Mr. Hinkson—I'm blessed if I know where I am.

The Chair said the charge as to arithmetic was still before the Board.

Mr. Hinkson said he declined to proceed in behalf of his clients until it was settled whether Mr. McDonald is or is not a candidate. (To Mr. Tracy)—You can do nothing at its close, if the investigation goes on to a legitimate ending, unless Mr. McDonald is a candidate.

Mr. Tracy—Exactly, and so we had better stop now.

Mr. McClatchy—I do not think Mr. McDonald ought to say now if he is or is not a candidate. If I stood in his place I would want to know how the investigation comes out first.

Mr. Johnson—My client will shirk no investigation at a proper time, in a proper way, and with proper testimony, taken in a proper way—not as it has been done here.

ALL IN A TANGLE.

Mr. Tracy—The result of any investigation would not of necessity govern the Board in its election of teachers.

Mr. Johnson—Certainly not. I have objected to all this because this is not a proper way—by such testimony—to test any man's qualifications.

Mr. McClatchy—Have a board of experts, then.

Mr. Johnson—Yes, have one; but I don't object to the Board. Such testimony as has been given here to-night is fair to no one—not to the Board, not to the public, not to Mr. McDonald, not to the schools. As to arithmetic, on which, it is charged, the class failed, Mr. McDonald courted investigation. As to the other matters, at the proper place and time he had his answer to make.

Mrs. Hartley said she had been instrumental in originating the investigation, and in bringing mothers of the city to act in the matter. If Mr. McDonald is a candidate, then the investigation should go on. If not, it is ended till he becomes a candidate, and when he is so announced, she, in behalf of many mothers, asked to be heard as to his qualifications for re-election. Mr. McDonald was entitled to an opportunity to vindicate himself, and she wanted him to have it fully. She and others wanted to hear his testimony. She was not biased, but wanted a fair, open expression of the public sentiment concerning Mr. McDonald as an instructor.

Mr. Hornblower said a mass of testimony had been given to the world against a man for years at the head of the department of the Sacramento schools. If he is in error here and there as to arithmetic, let it be remembered that in this day, when infidelity is rampant, he is a moral Christian gentleman, whose example to the children compensates for any inaccuracies that may possibly be found in his methods of teaching. The press had sent the testimony broadcast, to be thrown up to Mr. McDonald wherever he may go. "Now," said the speaker, "deal fairly and honestly, and give him full opportunity to vindicate his reputation. [Applause.] I don't believe so very many parents are engaged in the prosecution. They are not all in it, and I know it. [Applause.] This man is not a dog—he is a man. Give him a fair show." [Applause.]

CONCLUSION.

Mr. McClatchy explained that he did not want to shut out Mr. McDonald's defense, but to hear it when the right time came.

Mr. Sheehan spoke at length. He claimed for the matter a full investigation. It is due Mr. McDonald, due to the public. It is charged that for years he has been incompetent to preside as a teacher over the chief school of the city. It was a case where every one should be allowed to come up and say what they think of the matter. The expression he had heard had been against Mr. McDonald's competency. It is not a question if one is a Christian gentlemen, but is he a first-class educator. He had no bias; had been a friend to Mr. McDonald.

Mr. Johnson said he didn't believe a majority of the people thought as Mr. Sheehan did that Mr. McDonald is incompetent. He believed a great majority believed the direct opposite. The incompetency of a man is to be tested by his peers, not by an audience of boys and girls, nor by popular cry. [Applause.] He begged any one agreeing with him not to applaud. It is a matter of charges to be tried in a legal manner on legal testimony and in legal form, for these things are ordained to protect men's lives and reputations. The Principal of the Grammar School has something else to do than teach. He has supervision over 600 children. The investigation has done the schools more injury than McDonald could do if in the school 3,000 years and as incompetent as charged.

Mrs. Hartley again addressed the Board, and urged that a full and ample hearing be had. She spoke at length. She had suffered from having one son under an instructor whom he could not respect. That was what aroused her sympathies in this case for mothers making like complaint.

At this point, 10:40 P. M., the Board adjourned to Saturday at 7:30 P. M., to meet in its own rooms.

During the session of Wednesday night an effort was made by Mr. Hinkson to prove certain facts by Mr. Brier relative to one of the ten examination questions as worked out at a previous meeeting of the Board by Mr. Atkinson. An objection was made that Mr. Hinkson could not impeach his own witness, and it was sustained. Mr. Hinkson explained, in answer to inquiry last night, that it was not his intention to contradict Mr. Atkinson's method of solving the example, but to show that he worked it properly, and Mr. Brier stated that he did find the correct answer, but the testimony was stricken out.

At the session last night the excitement was intense. It pervaded the atmosphere and affected in some degree nearly every person present. The applause was frequent, and the President was as frequently necessitated to check such demonstrations. The sentiment of the audience, as indicated by such manifestations, seemed to be about equally divided between the prosecution and the defense. The order to hold the next meeting in the rooms of the Board of Education was generally understood to indicate an intention on the part of the Board to make the investigation in all its subsequent stages less public, and to bring the audience within easier control of the Chair.

FOURTH OF JULY COMMITTEE.

The general Fourth of July Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 8 o'clock last night at the County Court-room, Mayor Turner in the chair.

J. F. Whyte, from the Committee on Wagons, etc., reported that the wagons and their trimmings used last year to haul the school children can be had and prepared at a trifling expense, and suggested that the steam wagon can be obtained free of expense to haul the wagons.

Upon motion of E. M. Martin, the report was received, and it was resolved to use the steam wagon.

W. R. Cantwell, from the Committee on Music, reported a bid from Church, Jones & Beebe, offering to furnish a band of twelve pieces, with string orchestra for the chorus, with three rehearsals, for $220; band for parade, without string orchestra, $180; and string orchestra for chorus, without parade, $60; but they could not furnish music for the evening, being otherwise engaged.

E. M. Martin, from the same committee, reported that Professor Skinner's estimate of the cost of the chorus would aggregate some $175, including cost of orchestra, rehearsal expenses, etc.

R. W. Davis, from the First Artillery band, proposed to furnish fifteen men for day and evening at $225—including parade, literary exercises and fireworks. A reduction to $10 per man would be made by this band in case there were no fireworks.

Objection was made by some of the members of the committee to the expense of getting up the orchestra, and a discussion ensued, but no action was taken.

C. T. Jones moved that the bid of the First Artillery band be accepted, to furnish the music at the rate of $10 per man for fifteen pieces, for service during the day, excluding the fireworks. Carried.

C. T. Jones, from the Committee on Literary Exercises, reported that they had secured Governor G. C. Perkins to deliver the oration, T. B. McFarland to act as President of the day, W. B. C. Brown to read the Declaration of Independence, prefaced with a short address on the causes which led to its adoption; Miss Mattie K. Powers to read Drake's "Ode to the American Flag," and Rev. T. H. B. Anderson to act as Chaplain. The report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the committee proceeded to elect a Grand Marshal. Judge Henry nominated Geo. W. Hancock, and Mr. Cantwell nominated General S. W. Backus. Backus was elected.

Mr. Cantwell moved to appropriate $100 for the chorus, to be constituted of 100 voices. Mr. Martin moved as an amendment to limit the expense to $60, with the understanding that the First Artillery band furnish the music, and the stage to be decorated at the expense of the General Committee. Sherburn moved that $75 be paid Professor Skinner to cover the expense for furnishing the chorus.

After discussion the subject-matter relative to the chorus was re-referred to the Committee on Music, with instructions to report to the next meeting.

C. T. Jones moved that the Committee on Literary Exercises be instructed to secure a hall in which to carry out that part of the programme. Mr. Cantwell moved that the Pavilion be selected for this purpose.

Pending discussion the meeting adjourned till next Monday evening.

POLICE COURT.—In the Police Court yesterday Dan Cotton appeared for sentence in case of battery, and was fined $12 50. George Washington, charged with grand larceny of jewelry from sweet Melinda (colored), on Third and L streets, was allowed to depart, on the grounds that a portion at least of the jewelry in question was a gift from defendant, and if they were not married they ought to have been, in which case larceny wouldn't be a good thing to call it, and also the entire value of all taken would not exceed six bits, which would have a demoralizing effect upon the charge of grand larceny. George also played sweet with the offended damsel and promised to return all her charms, under which delightful turn of the case the Judge granted him quittance and detailed a prominent officer of the Court to see that Georgie kept his word. Wm. Lohmeyer, for disturbing the peace, was discharged for want of prosecution. George H. Stevens, for obtaining property under false pretenses, was discharged for insufficiency of evidence. Jack McCormick, for exposure of person, pleaded guilty and to receive sentence tomorrow. C. Shindler, misdemeanor, continued till to-day. E. Fairchild, misdemeanor—for allowing filth, etc., to accumulate about his palace over the west wing of China slough—continued to the 17th. Ah Toy, a Celestial demi monde, for enticing, forfeited deposit of $10 and kept dark. Theodore Henning and Harry Miller, charge changed to felony and continued till to-day.

CHANGE IN BUSINESS.—There has been made an important change in the business house of DeBernardi & Co., the well-known market firm. Gus F. Gonnet, Thomas Coulter and Peter DeBernardi have succeeded to the retail business of the house, and will continue it under the firm name of Gonnet, Coulter & Co., at 308 K street. The new firm is composed of young men who have received their business training under the old firm. DeBernardi & Co. are to continue business at 310 K street, confining themselves solely to the wholesale and shipping business in the lines of fruit, produce, etc. The store rooms of the two firms adjoin, and the former business relation between the two houses will doubtless prove a decided advantage in the conduct of the business of both.

CATCHING SHAD.—Application has been made to the City Attorney and Chief of Police to have arrested persons catching or keeping on sale shad at the present season of the year. Warrants have not been issued thus far, as it was believed the parties who caught or sold them were not aware that it was prohibited by law. The statute provides that any person who shall catch, offer for sale, or have in their possession any shad between the 1st of April and the 1st of December shall be liable to arrest, etc., and the Chief of Police has given orders for a strict enforcement of the law hereafter.

PICNIC TO-DAY.—The annual picnic of the Christian Church Sunday-school will take place at East Park to-day, and arrangements to secure an enjoyable occasion are ample. There will be a full supply of refreshments and delicacies, games, etc. A free coach will be run between the chapel, on Eighth street, between N and O, and the grounds, leaving once an hour, and the admission fee will be only 25 cents.

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SMALL CHIPS.

K street stinketh in the night. From Eighth to Third it smells very bad. To get the full benefit of the condensed typhoid fever, the Health Officer should walk it at the moist hour of midnight. Every block has its own peculiar stench.

A patent for a combined stool and cane has just been granted to J. H. Young of this city. It can also be used in case of exigency for combing hair.

The 4th of July Horribles' committee were out making collections yesterday, and report that they met with warm response.

The river fell three inches during the 24 hours ending last evening, and then stood at 22 feet and 1 inch.

Now are the whitewash days, and all over the city the bucket and brush brigades are at work.

Steamer Julia broke her engagement yesterday, and did not reach here till noon.

Apricots have put in an appearance in market, but are small and scarce.

The Calvary Baptist Church holds a social this evening.

Wind north and cool.

AUCTIONS.—M. J. Simmons & Co. at 10:30 A. M. to-day, at 422 K street, will sell all of the well-kept furniture of a well-known lodging-house contained in ten rooms.....The same firm at 11 A. M. to-day will sell the west half of lot 4, H and I, Eleventh and Twelfth streets. The lot is 40 by 160 feet, and has upon it a two-story house, with all the modern improvements, a new barn, fences, sidewalks, etc.

FINE GRAIN.—Julius C. Auburtis, who resides near Pilot Hill, El Dorado county, presents a sample of barley grown upon his place, as a specimen of foothill production. It is of full hight, long, well-filled heads, and he states that the field from which it is taken will yield thirty bushels per acre, and with proper stand it has the appearance of fully verifying that statement.

EN ROUTE FOR SAN QUENTIN.—Yesterday afternoon Sheriff Burkham, of El Dorado county, passed through the city en route to San Quentin, having in charge B. F. Hawkins, sentenced to a term of imprisonment of ten years for burglary. The prisoner was allowed to take a rest in the city jail while waiting for the 3:45 train.

POLICE ARRESTS.—The following arrests were made yesterday: Thos. Holden, Chas. Basler and Rick Meyers, for reposing in a box-car; Joseph Bohele, for disturbing the peace, by officer Ferral; John O'Hare, for battery, by officers Rider and Cafferty; No. 3, drunk, by officer Woods.

PERSONAL.—Frank W. Gross, Clerk of Supreme Court, is in the city. Horace Seaton started East yesterday with his family. General B. F. Butler will spend a day or two in this city about the 20th instant, when Sumner Post, No. 3, G. A. R., proposes to hold a grand public camp-fire.

VOTES FOR ——.—In the Superior Court yesterday James T. Kelly, a native of Ireland, was, upon the testimony of William Keating and Robert Miller, admitted to citizenship. Also Oliver Johnson, a native of Sweden, on the testimony of M. Fay and G. Glambackson.

DIVORCES GRANTED.—Hannah J. Gafford was yesterday granted a divorce from her previous husband Jonathan Gafford on the ground of cruel treatment. Cassie J. Fairfield was also granted a divorce from Orlando M. Fairfield, for willful desertion.

READINGS TO-NIGHT.—At the Congregational Church this evening Mrs. S. R. McLaren will give a series of select and dramatic readings. The lady comes indorsed as a fine elocutionist, with a superior voice and a pleasing style.

THE COURTS.

SUPERIOR COURT.

DENSON, Judge.

THURSDAY, June 10th.

Cassie J. Fairchild vs. Orlando W. Fairchild—Decree of divorce for plaintiff.

The People vs. John J. Melghon and J. F. Sullivan—Demurrer to separate and amended answer overruled, and ten days allowed to answer.

Peter Planalp vs. G. Valensin—Case settled by litigants; cause dismissed.

The People of the State, appellant, vs. William Ashburner, respondent—An agreed case submitted. Court filed its finding of fact and conclusions of law, and ordered judgment in accordance therewith in favor of defendant for costs.

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Hannah J. Gafford vs. Jonathan Gafford—Court Commissioner files his report of testimony taken; case submitted upon the same and decree of divorce given in favor of plaintiff.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Filed June 10th.

Simeon Cass and wife to Louisa Schaefer, February 2, 1880—South half of lot 1, between F and G, Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, Sacramento; $2,500.

Mary E. Gallup to James A. Woods, June 10, 1880—West half of lot 7, between H and I, Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, Sacramento; $2,000.

William K. Lindsay to T. M. Lindsay, June 10, 1880—Lot 1, between F and G, Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, Sacramento; $1,025.

Spencer Miser to Isabella Miser, March 24, 1879—Assignment of all right and title to real and personal property in estate of Solomon Miser, deceased, for $1,000.

United States Patent to Joseph Thompson, March 5, 1880—East half of the northeast quarter of section 30, township 8 north, range 8 east, 80 acres.

SALE IMMENSE.—The *Wisconsin*, Milwaukee, (Wis.), adds its testimony and says: "The sale of Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure for Bright's Disease and other afflictions of Kidneys and Liver, as well as Warner's Safe Diabetes Cure, for diseases of same name, is simply immense." H. C. Kirk & Co., agents, Sacramento.

Rock in which petrified leaves and grasses appear has been found near Austin, Nevada.

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