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TALK OF THE TOWN

The Secret Sessions of the Police Board

QUITE GENERALLY CONDEMNED

By All Classes of Citizens—Mr. Hatch and Judge Burlingame Denounce Them—Mr. Leistikoff's Defense.

Taxpayers, lawyers and city officials are becoming deeply interested in the conduct against the system of the board of police and fire commissioner in holding so-called executive sessions.

Commissioner Leistikoff will maintain the position which he took in an interview with a reporter for The Herald Tuesday.

"How about the reporters?" was asked. "Come right in, I'd be glad to see you there, and if anyone tries to put you out yell for Bender and me! He and I aren't the whole board, but we'll do our best for you."

"Secretary MacReynolds says if we keep up this racket we will find handcuffs stationed at the doors to handle us," said the reporter.

Judge Burlingame expressed himself as follows: "I can give no legal opinion on this question for I think it is not probable that it may come before me to be decided, but I will say, as a citizen and taxpayer of Grand Rapids, that I can see no reason for these executive sessions. For my part I would not wish to belong to a board that did its business in such a way. It is not right for them to exclude the public, or the public's agents, the reporters, from their meetings. The board has a right to know how they are conducted. There may be a very few cases where the board might as well keep its transactions private, but they are very few indeed. The whole system is extremely unbusinesslike."

Secretary MacReynolds of the board said, "I try to do my duty here as best I can, and don't feel like saying much, but I guess that if you reporters keep up this racket you'll find a patrolman at these doors to handle you."

The city attorney, when he heard of this remark, simply smiled and declared that he had no words to express his ideas on such language.

Another lawyer of prominence said: "These are two methods of procedure for the taxpayers to take in compelling the board to hold its meetings openly and honestly. One is to get a mandamus from the supreme court compelling it to do this. That procedure would be a long one as the supreme court would not grant it until June anyway. But if any citizen of Grand Rapids met with any resistance in entering the committee room of the board while it was in session he could, of course, immediately prosecute the person offering resistance for assault and battery."

Publicly Reprimanded Them. "The board takes pathetically about disgracing a man's family by hauling him up publicly," said one of the members yesterday. "Nobody kicks about the disgrace to a man's family when the man is a civilian and is tried for drunk and disorderly conduct in the police courts. There should be no difference in the treatment of policemen and firemen. It would be more apt to increase the efficiency and morality of the men if they were publicly reprimanded for all disorderly acts unless they were of a minor nature."

A small pamphlet entitled "Standing Rules of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners of the City of Grand Rapids, 1889," and still used by that board, contains the following paragraphs: "Rule 15. All general and special orders of the board and all sentences of the board shall be duly recorded in the minutes and be made public or not as the board may direct."

Changed of rule 14, on trial of officers charged with misconduct. "In cases of formal trial all witnesses shall be examined under oath, both for and against accused, and only the findings of the board need be placed upon the records."

the probate court appointed Frank L. Carpenter administrator of his late wife's estate. She died in testate, leaving a property valued at \$4500, all personal. He was appointed for the purpose of selling the Warnick furniture.

FOR VIOLATING SUNDAY.

The Canal Street Clothiers are Found Guilty, and Will Appeal.

The case of Heyman Brown, Harry Newman, Philip Sherman and Louis Sawyer, the Canal street clothiers who were arrested some time ago for keeping their places of business open on Sunday, was heard in prolate court yesterday. The defendants' attorney, J. E. McBride, raised a question of jurisdiction, but Judge Haggerty held that the statutes gave him jurisdiction and proceeded to hear testimony in the case. Several witnesses were sworn, who testified to buying goods of the defendants on Sunday, May 8. The clothiers were convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 each, or in default of payment to be confined in the county jail for thirty days. Mr. McBride gave notice that he would seek to vacate the sentence of the court by certiorari proceedings in the circuit court. They were released on their own recognizance.

WILL SUE THE CITY.

The D. G. H. & M. Road Wants It to Pay for Cleaning a Crossing.

The local attorney for the D. G. H. & M. has signified his intention of beginning suit against the city unless it will pay the wages of a man whom the company has stationed at its tracks on Grand avenue. Contractors are at work improving the avenue and in hauling dirt across the railroad tracks, the attorney claims that they scatter debris there, which it requires the services of one man to clear away. The contractors say that there is only a small quantity of dirt scattered on the tracks and that the railroad is working a game of bluff.

WANTS HIS CHILD.

John Veen Goes to Regain the Custody of His Daughter.

Yesterday a writ of habeas corpus, ordered by Judge Adair, was filed with the clerk. It appears that John Veen, the complainant, wishes to regain the custody of his 14-year-old daughter, Wilhelmina, who, he claims, is unlawfully detained and hidden from him by John H. Verkerk. Mr. Veen says in his complaint that his daughter is at the home of Verkerk only by his consent, and that she is required to do manual labor in the household of Verkerk, where she is treated in all respects as a domestic.

Not a Favorite Won.

St. Louis, Mo., May 19.—The feature of today's card at the Jockey Club track was the stake for 3-year-olds at six furlongs. The value of the winners was \$1310. The winner turned out to be Ray 8, a good looking son of speculator, who has shown great improvement in his 3-year-old form. He was 12 to 1 in the betting. Not a single favorite won today.

Police Court Notes.

Martin Brumer, Charles Lingley, John Brown and Theo. Parker, drunk, paid \$2 and costs each.

On appointment of Sheriff McQueen, Van E. Fisher was sworn in as deputy sheriff by Deputy Clerk Emery yesterday.

Court Notes.

Max Landaur et al. vs. Victor Schoenfeld et al., in equity; decree holding mortgage to Lewis E. Morris as trustee void as to general creditors except the First National bank of Manhattan.

The Crane Elevator company vs. the Standard Elevator company et al., motion to suppress deposition of D. C. Foster granted.

Decree confirming the sale of the schooner Ebeneser for \$6000.

Circuit Court—Part I.

JUDGES GROVES. Marshal L. Daggett vs. John W. Hayward, assumpsit, on trial.

Rachel E. Mallory vs. Metropolitan Life Assurance company, assumpsit; proceedings stayed twenty days.

Circuit Court—Part II.

JUDGES ADAIR. Harry Hubbard vs. Harry W. Long, trespass on the case; stay extended sixty days.

John A. Pierson vs. Gertrude F. Pierson, chancery; petition for further alimony denied.

Superior Court.

JUDGES BURLINGAME. In the matter of the petition of John Veen for a writ of habeas corpus of Wilhelmina C. Veen, petition dismissed on motion of the respondent and by consent of the petitioner.

YESTERDAY'S SPORT RECORD.

Points for the Turfmen and Base Ballist.

Chicago, May 19.—Rain prevented today's game with Cleveland. Chicago and St. Louis had arranged to play off their postponed games of April 13-14 at St. Louis tomorrow but Treasurer Howe of the Cleveland insisted that his team was entitled to the preference. The case was left to President Young for decision. He wired: "The day clearly belongs to Cleveland. You can play with St. Louis if you reach a mutual understanding."

Have insisted on the game being played tomorrow, and carried his point.

Gloucester Runners.

Gloucester, May 19.—First race, five-eighths of a mile—Edison won.

Stokes Geister second, High C. third; time, 1:06.

Second race, a half mile—Delinko won, Return second, Karl B. third; time, 1:23.

Third race, one mile—Juggler won, Gloster second, Ed McGinnis third; time, 1:48.

Fourth race, six and one-half furlongs—Henet won, Jersey second, Bardina third; time, 1:53.

Swung Between Crutches.

Mrs. Kleibach of 155 Oakland Ave., a Helpless Cripple for Three Years.

Restored to Health by Doctor French at the Vendome.

Dr. French is still at the Vendome hotel where the afflicted will find him from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Dr. French's healing hand is the wonder of those who visit him for treatment or to witness the cure that follows his "laying on of hands." The following case is remarkable for the great change produced.

Three years ago Mrs. Kleibach noticed a weakness in her limbs accompanied with pain in her body and stiffness in her limbs she sought out easily and cold perspiration stood over her body. She used whatever her friends suggested or her doctor prescribed, but the pains and rheumatism increased and settled in her limbs and feet. Being ambitious she tried to hobble around and to do her own work. Finally she could go no longer, and took to crutches. Her feet began to swell and become so stiff and painful that she could no longer walk but instead she swung between crutches to place between crutches. She read of Dr. French at the Vendome, and of the wonderful cures he was performing at Hartman's hall, and decided to see him if such a thing was possible. She could not ride in the street cars, so the next best thing was to get a wagon and be lifted into and out of it. This she did, and was helped up the hotel steps. In this condition Dr. French began rubbing the painful, stiff and swollen limbs till she said she felt better. She came again, and the third time she left her crutches at home. She says she goes about her work and to the neighbors without them.

The drooping condition has passed away and she walks well again for one who has been unable to walk for so long a time.

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