

LAST EDITION RED TAPE FOR TOTS.

School Rules Which Work Hardships to the City's Children.

Time Locks on School Doors, in Rain or Shine.

Officials Aroused by "The Evening World's" Expose of Abuses.

THE EVENING WORLD'S agitation for the opening of the public school doors so early in the morning that the children shall not be compelled to stand in the street and shiver in the cold and wet while waiting for the doors to be unlocked, is meeting with general public approval.

THE EVENING WORLD has pointed out several instances where the doors of the school-houses are kept locked until nearly 8 o'clock in the morning, and has shown how a system seriously affects the health and comfort of the children.

SOME CHILDREN MUST COME EARLY. There is probably not a primary school in the city where some of the children do not arrive before 8 o'clock. Their parents in many cases are obliged to leave their homes for their daily toil at 7 o'clock, or perhaps 6 o'clock, in the morning.

THEY MUST GET UP EARLY. The children to whom their rooms and leave the children to shift for themselves until school-time. The little ones are not contented to crawl about the dark and cheerless hallways of a big tenement-house for two or three hours, and naturally start for their school-houses as soon as they have the opportunity of being discouraged in this manner, they ought to be encouraged to come as early as they choose.

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RED TAPE FOR TOTS. As it is present, in those schools where the 8.30 rule is in force the children have only a quarter of an hour in which to enjoy themselves in the play-rooms before the red tape discipline of the day begins.

AT PRESENTLY 8.45 the bell sounds and all play must be stopped. The children are obliged to line up before their teachers in military order, each class being marked off on the floor, and after a few routine evolutions they are marched off to their class-rooms.

THE ARGUMENT of the school trustees, who do not believe in such privileges to the little folks, is that it would be destructive to good discipline to allow the children to run through the school-rooms without oversight for an hour or so before lessons begin.

IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY that there should be some supervision of the children, what is to hinder the employment of one or more persons in each school to especially attend to this part of the work?

WHAT SOME TRUSTEES SAY. One of the trustees of the Twenty-second Ward School is Mr. J. Seaver Fane.

"It is certainly a most outrageous thing," he said to an Evening World reporter to-day, "to keep the children outside in stormy weather, and as a member of the Board of Trustees I shall make it a point to inquire into the matter at once."

Trustee Jacques H. Hertz, of the Twenty-second Ward, was found at his Fifth avenue store.

"I can scarcely believe that the story is true of the schools in our ward," he said. "It is certainly not my intention to countenance any such action on the part of any janitor as has been reported, and the children have got to be admitted in stormy weather when they arrive."

"It is not our policy to encourage the children to come early," he continued, "and I think it would be a very bad plan to let them have the run of the building for an hour before school began without some one to oversee them."

INDIGNANT SEPT. JAMBER. Sept. Jamber, of the public schools, was very jasper when he heard of the way the children had been treated in certain schools.

"I will look into the matter myself," he said to an Evening World reporter, "and see that a stop is put to any such doings. I will write at once to the Boards of Trustees and request them to investigate and report."

"Cannot the Board of Commissioners establish some uniform rule in regard to the opening of the school-houses in the morning?" he was asked.

"Certainly, they can, if they choose, for they have the power to regulate all such matters. The only reason why they have not taken any action in this particular regard is that the Trustees in each ward are supposed to regulate such things."

"It is a general rule, however, that all the schools shall be opened at 8.30, and I thought it was understood that the janitors should let in children who came earlier than that especially if it was stormy weather."

"If such things are allowed as are reported to have occurred at the Fifty-third street school it is high time that the Board took some action in the matter. We are bound to look after the health and comfort of the children as much as their education."

"I am sure you are very few schools in town where such ill treatment is practiced."

SOME PLAYROOMS ARE OPENED. At Primary Schools No. 28, in East Twelfth street, and No. 29, in East Nineteenth street, the doors to the playrooms were opened at 8 o'clock, and the children can always gain admittance, even if they arrive before that hour.

Janitor Hanson, of No. 29, has a back room where on cold or rainy days he always builds a good fire and lets the children who have come from a distance in the storm sit in and dry themselves.

A CRYING SHAME.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL No. 22



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Longfellow's "The Building of the Ship" Deemed Immoral.

SCHOOLMASTER CUSACK SAYS IT BRISTLES WITH OBSCENITY AND A COMMISSIONER AGREES WITH HIM.

BROOKLYN educational circles are in a state of excitement, and when the constituency of THE EVENING WORLD knew the cause, five teachers and three millions of people will laugh with irrepressible mirth.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction of the good City of Churches and morality, William H. Maxwell, has been asked to remove from the curriculum of the grammar schools a little pamphlet containing several poems from the folio of the immortal Longfellow on the ground that "The Building of the Ship" is bristling all over with obscenity and immorality!

Mrs. Kemble recited that poem of the Cambridge bard forty years ago before a Boston audience, and a million schoolboys, full of the thrill and spirit that saturated the boys' lives, have since that time from 100,000 school platforms since that first recitation, while it is everywhere set down as one of the eternal poems of America.

It remained for a Brooklyn schoolmaster to discover that the description of the bride of fierce and foamy Ocean was likely to be a matter of mischief in the breasts of school children.

The schoolmaster is James Cusack, of No. 17 in Williamsburg, and he brought the subject up at a meeting of the city principals and superintendents for his view in that ancient pedagogical and refined gentleman, Principal John Gallagher of the Training School, and Commissioner John B. Mulford of the Board of Education.

The opinion of it was that Schoolmaster Cusack went to school to the poet, and that the School Board, after having been shocked at the poet's name, and scored to indicate his views, and he pointed out those fearful immoral and almost horrible lines as fit only for expurgation:

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Arthur C. Webb Throws Himself Under a Motor's Wheels.

Horribly Mangled and Dead Within the Hour.

His Beautiful Wife Had Left Him and He Determined to Die.

THE WINDOW of a hall bedroom on the first floor of 1209 Broadway, Brooklyn, was softly raised at 6.30 o'clock this morning and a stalwart young man, dressed only in flannels and pantaloons, crawled out on the wooden awning over the sidewalk.

He slipped down to the edge of the awning, where he was struck by the Brooklyn Union Elevated Road car which was on a level with the track, and partially concealed by the foliage of a big tree that grew beside the post. There he crouched.

A train bound uptown pulled out of the Brooklyn station a few minutes after 6.30 o'clock, and the engineer, approaching the tree mentioned he saw something white dive on the tracks in front of his engine.

He reversed the lever his machine had struck the same thing and it was carried back a block before the train could be stopped.

Then the horribly mutilated body of the young man was found crushed under the engine's trucks.

There was a fearful slash in the head, a gaping wound in the side, another in the right leg and several minor cuts and bruises. The man's head was still alive.

He gave his name to the police as Arthur C. Webb and his age as twenty-five.

He was lowered to the street and conveyed in an ambulance to St. Mary's Hospital. There he said his name was Anthony C. Thilo. He was remarkably self-possessed, but when questioned by Sister Joseph would not give any account of his crime.

When asked if he was a Catholic and wanted the services of a priest, he answered sadly: "I have no religion. Oh, God, let me die!"

This little episode he repeated several times, and his prayers were answered. He breathed his last at 7.30 a. m. in great agony.

Meanwhile the police learned that Webb was his right name, and that he had boarded with Jacob Van Horn at 1209 Broadway, Brooklyn.

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THE COLON FIRE SUBDUED.

A Blaze That Threatened the Destruction of a Town.

THE TOWN of Colon, or ASPINWALL, is a seaport of the United States of Colombia, on the Atlantic side of the Isthmus of Panama, forty-seven miles from Panama and 2,000 miles from New York.

It was founded in 1850, had a population ten years ago of 2,500, and is noted for its deep and spacious harbor. British, French and German mail steamers have landings there.

The town does a large export trade in bananas. It is connected by rail with Panama. It is under control, and that the damage was confined to Front street, the Panama Railroad and the Market.

WRECKER BUETT CONFESSES. He Will be Sentenced at Troy Tomorrow Morning.

TROY, Sept. 23.—Arthur Buett confessed to-day that he was guilty of the charge of train wrecking, and pleaded guilty to misplacing a switch on the Central road.

He will be sentenced to-morrow, when John Beebe's trial will be moved.

Baseball To-Day. Regularly scheduled games:

NATIONAL LEAGUE. ATLANTIC DIVISION. New York Yankees at Hartford.

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Percentage this morning of clubs in the leading leagues:

LEAGUE. NATIONAL. Wm. Lee. J. J. McGraw. N. L. 100.00. N. Y. 100.00. P. 100.00. C. 100.00. B. 100.00. S. 100.00. A. 100.00. W. 100.00. M. 100.00. H. 100.00. G. 100.00. F. 100.00. D. 100.00. E. 100.00. I. 100.00. O. 100.00. T. 100.00. U. 100.00. V. 100.00. W. 100.00. X. 100.00. Y. 100.00. Z. 100.00.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATIONS. Second Illinois—E. M. DeLoach (Dem.).

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