STEELE WAS NOT READY.

Barnard's Attorney Asks the Board for a Continuance.

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

Case Will Come Up Again Next Wednesday Evening—Crowd of Disappointed People Last Night—J. B. MacDougall, Former Member of the Board Has Another Expert at Work With a Different Showing.

There was not only a full meeting of the school board last night, but every seat in the board room was occupied by witnesses or friends of one side or the other who had come together expecting that the charges against Superintendent Barnard would be prosecuted. All parties, outside of the board itself, and possibly even some members of the board, were disappointed. The charges were not prosecuted. At the request of Mr. Barnard's attorney, Frank A. Steele, the case was continued, as lawyers express it, until next Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Promptly at the hour fixed for the meeting last night President Wells called the board to order. The question at once arose as to whether the charges against Superintendent Barnard should be read. Prosecuting Attorney McElroy, called on for an opinion, said he did not think it necessary that the charges be read, inasmuch as they had been read at a former meeting of the board.

Then Frank A. Seeele, as attorney for Mr. Barnard, addressed the board and asked a continuance of the proceedings until next Wednesday evening. He said that his regular legal business had so engrossed his attention that he had not had sufficient opportunity to confer with Mr. Barnard. The board unanimously granted his request, and the case will be taken up again next Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The question was then raised as to the authority of the board to employ a stenographer to take a report of the proceedings. Again Prosecuting Attorney McElroy was called on for an opinion. He said that inasmuch as he had no opportunity to consult authorities he would not undertake to give a written opinion, but that he would venture to express an oral opinion that the board had full power and authority in the premises. Mr. McElroy inquired of Secretary Guernsey whether the board had what could be termed an incidental fund. Mr. Guernsey replied that there was but one fund. "Then," said Mr. McElroy, "I will not now undertake to give a written opinion; but orally I will say that in my judgment the board has full power to investigate the affairs of the district and to incur all necessary expenses connected with such an investigation."

When the crowd found that the investigation of the charges against Mr. Barnard was not to be taken up last night there was a very prompt and unanimous movement toward the door, and in a few minutes there was nobody left in the big hall except the members of the board.

The only matter of routine business taken up was that connected with certain bills for the oiling and varnishing of St. Francis' hall, but this also was laid over until the next meeting.

Among the interested spectators last night, besides Superintendent Barnard and a large number of teachers from the various city schools, were Messrs. MacDougall and Frink, who as former members of the school board are more or less interested in the charge preferred against Superintendent Barnard; Expert Douglas Young, who conducted the investigation and will be called on to testify concerning his report; Deputy Prosecuting Attorney John B. Hart and a number of other citizens.

It is reported on good authority that J. B. MacDougall, as a former member of the board, has been considerably stirred up over the matter of the charges against Superintendent Barnard, and all the more because Mr. MacDougall was a member of the auditing committee of the board, before whom all the bills that were paid had to pass. With these points in view, it is stated that Mr. MacDougall has had an expert accountant investigate fully the affairs of Prof. Barnard with reference to the position which he occupied and the salary which he was entitled to draw, with the result that the expert has found that instead of Mr. Barnard's having drawn more than he was entitled to, the district still owes him just 11-6 cents.

THE PROSECUTION OF BARNARD.

Seattle, Dec. 9, 1897.

To the Editor: Believing that a great injustice has been done Mr. Barnard by the persecution so vigorously carried forward, I feel impelled to speak, though loth to be conspicuous.

I am a trained teacher of ten years' experience, and came to Seattle from the Cleveland public schools. Though I have never taught in the West, yet have been in touch with these schools for nearly seven years. I have had many conversations with Mr. Barnard on educational matters, have visited the schools and know several teachers intimately, and I consider Mr. Barnard the best superintendent with whom I have ever come in contact.

He is a leader, not a driver of his teachers, and any one who has had experience in a large system of schools will realize just what that means.

Cleveland has been for years a leader in educational matters, and its educational exhibit ranked first at the Centennial exhibition. When in Cleveland a year ago a considerable number of teachers and educators expressed to me great admiration of the magnificent exhibit from Seattle schools at the World's fair, and pronounced it the best exhibit there. What the Seattle schools are Mr. Barnard has made them.

I could give points of special excellence, but that is unnecessary, for, during all the heat and venom of this persecution the public schools and Mr. Barnard's efficiency have not been attacked.

Will Seattle go on priding herself on her public schools and permit the man who has made them what they are to be persecuted by a would-be political boss?

Will the teachers of Seattle stand by and see such injustice done without lifting a voice in protest?

The charges against Mr. Barnard, as published, with the exception of the first charge, are flimsy and contemptible, and might be summed up in the two words "offensive partisan."

If the board of education gave Mr. Barnard the $400 so much talked about, it is certainly morally his, for they have the power and right to do so.

It is the sacred right of an American citizen to use his influence at any and all elections, and it is also the "sacred right" of the victorious to decapitate officially the "offensive partisans" remaining in office—if they can. But it is certainly disgraceful to attempt to ruin a man and drag his family in the mire because he happens to be, as the victors have expressed it, "the tail end of the Republican ring."

Will some one who is wise explain Dr. Titus' attitude in this matter? Why this persistent persecution?

Mr. Barnard knows nothing of this letter. Very respectfully,

FRANCES H. RICHARDSON.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Coney Island" Sunday Night.

There is a genuineness in the statement that Mathews and Bulger return to the Seattle theater tomorrow evening "by particular request." These talented young comedians and their capital company were greeted by another crowded house last night and their rollicking farce proved a repeater of more than ordinary strength. Each of the many good features was received with enthusiastic demonstrations, and the clever songs and parodies of the young stars brought forth the wildest applause.

"At Gay Coney Island" displays a wealth of elaborate scenery, a company of exceptional merit, a varied assortment of high-class specialties, and enough good music to approach comic opera.

Pike Street Theater.

Company D, N. G. W., had a benefit at the new Pike Street theater last night, and if the weather had been anything but "awful" the cozy family resort would have been packed, as the entertainment provided is of the best quality and the soldier boys have many friends. As it was, a substantial house enjoyed the performance hugely and the actors and actresses played their parts with unusual spirit.

"A Kentucky Belle," a beautiful Southern drama, is announced for next week's bill, commencing Sunday night, with a strong cast, new scenic effects and some strong vaudeville specialties, interpolated as a foil to the deep laid plots and heart aching situations.

The matinee today at 2 o'clock will doubtless be a big one and tonight is the last performance of the interesting drama "Love and War."

The Famous Knaben Kapelle.

The first appearance in Seattle of the famous Magyar-Husaren Knaben-Kapelle will be at the Third Avenue theater Sunday evening, continuing through the week, with matinees Wednesday and Saturday. The tour of this great musical aggregation, with the big Teutonic name, is properly termed an event in the musical world. Most flattering are the notices that precede it, and Gustav Walter, the well-known amusement caterer of the Bay city, has received many compliments on his latest venture in novel amusements.

The band is touring America by special permission of Kaiser Franz Josef's government, of which these forty little fellows are the protegees. San Franciscans lost their heads over the Hungarian Boys' Military band, for their playing is a delightful revelation to every one. Every member is a trained musician; in fact, is a natural-born musician, and nothing in the way of classical selections is considered too difficult for their masterly interpretation.

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FLORANCE MARVIN predicted Klondike strike. 614 First.

The Calhoun Opera Company.

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Others Are in a Terrible Condition of Collapse, but Miller Is Miles Ahead of All Records—Keeps Doggedly at It—Shows No Weakness.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The great six days' bicycle race at Madison Square Garden has narrowed itself down to fifteen riders. Miller still retains a lead of nearly a hundred miles over Rice, the Wilkesbarre miner. At midnight he was something like 235 miles ahead of the world's record and with twenty-four hours to spare. He had covered a distance up to within a few miles of the great record which was made by Hale last year, 1,900 miles.

The great surprise of the night was the retirement of Riverre, the Frenchman. He is believed to be actually out of his mind, is in a pitiable physical condition and is under the care of physicians. Like most of the others in the race, Riverre has given evidence during the contest of having partially lost his mind. The awful strain from the first day of the riding has in a measure mentally unbalanced him and this afternoon he leaped from his wheel and made an assault on an imaginary foe in one of the boxes, swearing and jabbering in his native tongue. His trainers rushed to him and put him on his wheel, but after making a few more laps, he repeated the performance with even more insane rage than he had at first demonstrated. The result was that Riverre had to be taken from the track to return no more.

Another man who has quit is Moore. Moore had a terrible fall during the afternoon. While going at a high rate of speed he crashed into the rail and cut himself badly. He was carried off the track almost unconscious. The shock was too great for his debilitated condition, and Moore will be seen no more in the present race.

But Miller, that wonderful specimen of physical development, still plods along. He has ground out more miles in a given time on a wheel than any man has before. He has subsisted, under the most telling strain, with less sleep than was thought possible for any man, and with it all an examination of him tonight by the police surgeons disclosed the fact that his condition was normal, and with the exception of muscular soreness and a slight deadness of the limbs, he was in excellent condition and will be able to continue to the end without much danger of collapse.

Rice, who is second man in the contest, though nearly a hundred miles behind the leader, is standing by his colors with dogged determination. It was said during the day that he had asked to be taken off, but the manner in which he has been riding through the night shows that, though he might have requested this, it is not the spirit of his wishes. He is in to stay to the end, and his trainers think that he will be much nearer to the Chicago man at the end of the next twelve hours than he is at present. At all events, he got rid of a dangerous rival when Riverre left the track. For hours it had been nip and tuck between these two, at one time the one leading, and at another time the other. Rice's physical condition is also announced to be good.

Close up to Rice, and third man, now that the Frenchman is gone, is Schinneer, a fellow-townsman of Miller. Though he has had several nasty tumbles during the race, Schinneer has never for a moment lost any of his pluck or determination. He has a lead of ninety miles on Hale, the former champion, and, barring accident, will undoubtedly finish third.

Hale, with plenty of sleep, comparatively speaking, has the best appearance of any man on the circuit. He has really taken things leisurely, but nevertheless is nearly forty miles ahead of his record of last year. This is about what his schedule called for, and when the schedule was made no account was taken of such marvelous speed as has been maintained throughout the race, after Waller had set the pace. Those who expected Hale to move up in the last day or two are apt to be disappointed, for he is two full centuries behind the plucky leader.

Of the others, Waller has proved himself the strongest-hearted. He did a lot of spurting tonight, and he has a strong following among the spectators.

Enterman, the youthful Brooklyn rider, has returned, and is making his miles with clock-like regularity.

The score at 2:15 a. m.:

	Miles.	Laps.
Miller	1,911	2
Rice	1,825	..
Schinneer	1,806	..
Riverre	1,746	2
Hale	1,717	6
Waller	1,693	6
Pierce	1,648	7
Elkes	1,559	5
Golden	1,546	8
Gannon	1,528	4
Moore	1,495	6
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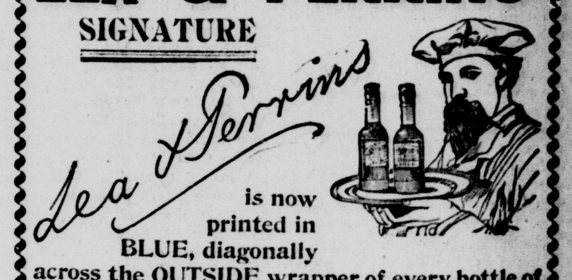

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