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The Intelligence. WHEELING, W. VA., JUNE 11, 1886. A Phase of Reform.

A debate in either house of Congress on Civil Service reform brings out something of the deep seated opposition to the Act and the Commission. Republicans find it pleasant to stir up the animals on the other side and make them kick.

But the debates in Congress do not reveal the whole truth, because the debaters lack sincerity and frankness. Republicans know that Democrats do not enjoy the situation; that they would be glad to knock the Civil Service Commission in the head, lead down the bars and turn their own into the pleasant pastures as rapidly as possible.

Democrats, on the other hand, know that the Civil Service Act and the President's Civil Service reform proposals stand in their way, and they have resolved that they will at last be unhappy.

Who can blame the Democrats? They fought a long and good fight. They have heard it said that they won a famous victory. They enter the old fashioned idea that a victory brings with it some trophies. Thousands of the victors are waiting for their share of the trophies, and it comes not. They have a right to be disappointed and discontented.

It may be granted that it is wrong in principle for a man to hold at the same time a legislative and an executive position. This does not affect Mr. Shanley. His duties are clerical only. There is a Democratic member of Council who does hold an executive position; but this is not Mr. Shanley. Mr. Shanley as Councilman cannot be called upon to pass upon acts of his own as an official of the city, for in fact and by express provision of the ordinance he is not an official of the city.

The whole attack on Mr. Shanley is unreasonable and indecent. Members of Council have been convicted in the courts of violating the very ordinances which help to make, and the State law which they have sworn to support. Did those virtuous and scrupulous Councilmen now engaged in a crusade against Mr. Shanley demand the resignation of the convicted Councilmen?

That they were then silent, and are now loud in their demand that Mr. Shanley resign, shows how creditable is the spirit and how lowly the motives which now actuate them.

Men's coats are constantly kept on hand for sale by Gotham tailors. The fund for the benefit of Mrs. General Hancock now amounts to \$43,464.50.

Forty-seven thousand flats are said to be for rent in Paris. They would accommodate 200,000 people.

A farmer living near Tiffin, O., found one of his valuable steers dead, hanging with his head caught between two branches of a barnwood sapling on a hillside on his farm.

In a garden at Caledonia, N. Y., a bed of flowers has been laid out, twenty-two feet long, to represent a huge trout. The gills, fins and eyes are represented in different colored flowers.

What is claimed to be an original water color portrait of Washington, painted in Italy in 1750 by J. Lacom, owned in Springfield, Mass., is offered to the government for the modest little sum of \$250,000.

will have similar eyebrows. The eyes are long and white, and beneath them are pink eyes of wonderful brilliancy.

A Buffalo relic hunter has in his possession a piece of the prize pie baked by Miss Folsom and exhibited at a cooking school several years ago.

A NONSENICAL ATTEMPT. On the Part of a Few Emissaries to Place Mr. Shanley in a False Position.

Six: One of the "Councilmen" who were defeated in venting their petty malice toward their fellow-councilman, Mr. Shanley, on Tuesday night, by the votes of both Democrats and Republicans, tries to show in to-day's Register that the ordinance prescribing Rules and Regulations for the government of the Police and Fire Department requires Mr. Shanley to resign from Council.

Sections 4 and 5 of the ordinance creating the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners read: "Sec. 4. The said Commissioners with the City Sergeant and his deputies shall constitute the Police Department of the city of Wheeling."

From this ordinance it is plain that the Clerk was not understood nor intended by Council to be a part of the Police or Fire Department, but an employee of the city. The above sections 4 and 5 expressly exclude the Clerk from being considered a part of either Fire or Police Department.

The ordinance in Section 7 provides that the Board should adopt rules and regulations for the government of those departments, to be reported to Council, and if approved by Council to be embodied and passed by it in an ordinance; all of which was done. Rule 9 of this ordinance is, "No member of Council shall be eligible for office or position in the Fire Department."

But it is not clear that the clerkship is in position in the Fire Department or Police Department either, under the express provisions above quoted. Language must be understood according to the manifest intention of the person or body using it. No trick is more common than to select a sentence from a writing and put a meaning on it for a purpose, which, if the whole writing is read, it is plain was not the true meaning of the sentence.

The ordinance are opposed, not because they are partisan, but because they are non-partisan; because they prevent the use of policemen and firemen in politics as ward rangers and poll workers instead of in the discharge of their city duties for the good of the city.

The general principle may be conceded that employees of the city should not be members of Council. Why has the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners urged this just now? The opponents of reform, whose thought it allows itself to be made, think they can replace the Councilman in the gas office by some one else who will serve them. They are ready for him to resign now, although they prevented his doing so when they needed him, when these ordinances were pending. But they want Mr. Shanley to resign also that they may have a chance to elect another opponent of reform in his stead.

It seems the wrong for the immediate application of the ordinance which is urged now in the interest of those who want to deprive these ordinances of a supporter. Just at this time we need every "conscientious and worthy citizen" at the front of battle, and it is hoped that the devotion of the clerk will be equal to the occasion, and cause him to hold the fort for the people, however malignant and personal the attacks upon him.

Mr. Shanley's Position made Clear. To the Editor of the Intelligence.

Sir:—I notice a communication in this morning's Register relating to Rule 9 of the ordinance governing the Police and Fire Board and the resignation of Mr. Shanley to resign his membership in Council, signed "Councilman." If the gentleman who wrote the article is a Councilman he is certainly not competent to fill the position. He either does not understand the ordinance creating and the rules governing the Police and Fire Board, or if he does, he is trying to mislead the public in relation thereto.

The ordinance creating the Police and Fire Board, Section 8, reads in its entirety: "The said board is hereby authorized to employ, such employment to terminate at the pleasure of the Board, at the expense of the city, at such salary as may be approved by Council, a clerk, who shall be an employe but not an official of the city."

So Mr. Councilman is in error when he states that Mr. Shanley "tenaciously holds on, disregarding his oath of office to obey the ordinance which is a part of an officer of the city by virtue of being Clerk of the Board; did not take an oath of office when he assumed the duties of clerk, nor did he even have to give bond, and can be removed at the pleasure of the Board at any time without reporting the fact to Council."

The gentleman would have us believe that Mr. Shanley is a member of the Fire Department under Rule 9 governing the Police and Fire Board, which is as follows: "No member of Council shall be eligible for office or position in the Fire Department." The ordinance creating the Board defines who shall constitute the Fire Department, Section 6 is as follows: "The Board shall constitute the Fire Department of the city of Wheeling."

that, Judge, but I expected to find one as soon as I got the safe open." Mr. Sheriff, take this man away. He is triding with this court. He hasn't got any more sense than some of the younger members of the bar. Take him away and lock him up."

THE NEW MOTHER GOOSE. Poet. Big a song of bribery, a pocketfull of bail, His smothered alarm will have to go to jail. Every one is guilty, as plain as plain can be, Isn't it a shameful sight for honest men to see?

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