

A BUSY SESSION

Of the Board of Education was held last night.

W. C. T. U. PETITION DEFERRED

UNTIL NEXT MEETING FOR FINAL ACTION - THE LADIES "LOBBED" IN SUPPORT OF A TEMPERANCE TEXT BOOK - LA FAYETTE DAY CELEBRATION SET FOR NOVEMBER 15, AND TO CONSIST OF WARD SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENTS.

The board of education held its regular monthly meeting last night, and the proceedings were on a livelier hue, a reminder, as it were, of the meetings last winter, when the famous "rules of the board" discussions held sway.

There were over twenty members of the W. C. T. U. present, and the ladies filled the spectators' section.

A communication from Master Elmer Bonnette, the "American Boy" butchery promoter, met with a worse fate, but its resting place in the waste basket wasn't through any opposition of the board, but because the board hasn't any jurisdiction over the school children on Saturdays.

The only absentees were Messrs. Beckman and Brock.

President Jefferson called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock, and the session continued until 10 o'clock.

Miss A. B. Wilson, librarian, submitted her report, which showed a circulation of 5,171 books and periodicals in the Wheeling public library, of which 4,618 were fiction, 21 in fine arts, 163 in history, 31 general works; average daily circulation, 199; amount received from fines, \$12.

Superintendent Anderson's monthly report was submitted and adopted. It showed the following:

Table with columns: Schools, Enrollment for the year, Average Daily Attendance, Per Cent. of Attendance for Month, Amount Paid for Instruction.

In the German department the superintendent's report showed a total enrollment of 577; of German parentage, 290; not of German parentage, 287; amount paid for instruction, \$306.

The report of Miss Lucy Robinson, instructor in music, showed a total enrollment of 4,890; number of classes, 89.

The committee on accounts submitted for payment, bills totaling \$1,156 72; on public library, \$302 93; adopted.

The committee on buildings and grounds reported in favor of the bid of J. J. Koehline & Son to furnish coal for schools during the ensuing year.

Their bid was \$2 49 per 100 bushels for clean coal and \$3 50 for slack coal. This was the lowest bid received. The committee's recommendation was adopted.

The committee on text books recommended in favor of the American Accountant, for a text book on book-keeping, and also in favor of Rand, McNally & Co.'s bid for school maps, which amounted to \$102 for forty maps.

J. M. Ojocot & Co. was the winning bidder to furnish five telegrams for \$62 50, and eight historical charts for \$10.

The committee on communication of A. Ditzman relating to the bid submitted by Thomas Perry, and it found that Mr. Perry's bid was the lowest, and that Mr. Perry was responsible and willing to give bond. The committee's report was adopted.

The committee on teachers and schools reported against Mr. Noble's resolution, which provided for a substitute two days in each month in Washington school, for Miss Mabel Haines. In order that Miss Haines might assist the teachers in Haines' report was adopted.

Prof. J. McHenry Jones submitted his resignation as principal of Lincoln school and it was received and filed. Prof. Fleming B. Jones was appointed to the position, on recommendation of the Madison commissioners.

The "American Boy" celebration was brought up on the reading of an original communication from Master Elmer Bonnette, who asked the board's assistance in getting school children to turn out in to-morrow's parade. The communication was written in true boyish style, but it was doomed to disappointment, as the board has no control over the school children on Saturdays, therefore no action was taken in the matter.

The next communication came from the Journal of the W. C. T. U. It was in brief that there be special instruction in the schools on the effects of narcotics and alcoholic stimulants on the human system.

When Clerk Hall had read the letter, Mr. Stanton moved that the matter be referred to the committee on text books, with instructions to report in favor of a suitable text book on temperance, to be used as a supplementary study in the primary grades.

Col. Miller asked that the regular proceedings be followed—refer the matter first to the proper committee.

Mr. Noble was in favor of tackling the question as a committee of the whole. Mr. Miller added that there was no such committee in the board, the board was always a committee of the whole.

Mr. Hubbard agreed with Col. Miller, and he waived the committee on text books to look up a good text book on temperance. Mr. Maxwell concurred in this view.

Dr. Jepson believed a larger committee should consider the matter, and he thought the proper committee to consider it primarily was the committee on teachers and schools.

At the board's invitation, Mrs. Kate Schweigart, of the W. C. T. U., addressed the board. Mrs. Schweigart said that the organization she represented had sent sample copies of the proposed text books to members of the board, under the impression that no other procedure was necessary to get direct consideration, but the W. C. T. U. would be satisfied if the board decided that the matter must be first considered by a committee.

After some discussion the matter was referred to the committee on teachers and schools, to report at the next meeting.

The Fulton school board asked for more money for the teaching of Wheeling children attending the Fulton school. The matter was referred to the committee on finance.

La Fayette Day celebration came before the board in a communication from

LARGE SMALL THINGS

Which Cannot be Neglected and May Mean Everything to You.

"For want of a nail a shoe was lost; for want of a shoe a horse was lost; for want of a horse a rider was lost, all for want of a little thing."

It is these little things that cause the great annoyances and serious consequences in life. A little hacking cough is a simple thing, but neglect it and see where you will end. A little chill is a simple thing, but it may be the first signs of pneumonia or even more serious things.

Do not neglect them. It may mean everything to you. It may mean loss of health and happiness. It may mean even death itself. When you feel the symptoms coming on, act promptly. Counteract them instantly. Take the best thing you can find, and that which has been endorsed by physicians universally. Take that purest of all stimulants, the only medicinal whiskey in the world; namely, Duffy's Pure Malt.

GOLD MINING IN OHIO. An Attempt Being Made to Develop a Vein near Canal Dover.

At Malvern, north of Canal Dover, on the branch line of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad, A. L. Wartman, a wealthy resident, has taken steps to develop the vein of gold discovered on the Fisher farm there. A smelter and engine are already on the ground, and mining for the yellow metal will be begun in a few days.

Agents have endeavored to lease all the land in the vicinity, and the price of real estate has taken a jump to fabulous figures. J. H. Shott, a mining expert from Colorado, says the gold abundance in better paying quantities than in many Colorado mining districts and can be mined for less money.

"THE AMERICAN BOY"

Celebration on Saturday Will be a Rousing Demonstration.

The school boys who are promoting the "American Boy" celebration, which is to occur on Saturday afternoon and evening, have completed nearly all of the arrangements and anticipate making a complete success of the undertaking.

The afternoon will be taken up with a parade of the school children of the city, accompanied by several military bands, including the Loyal Cadets, Cathedral Chorus, Knights of Pythias and other organizations.

The school turning out the largest number in the parade gets the football donated by Jason C. Stamp. There will be several carriages in line, containing Rankin Good, the Cincinnati boy who originated the "American Boy" scheme; representatives of the press, schools, etc.

In the evening at the Carroll Club Auditorium "The Return of the Cavalier" will be presented by a cast made up of boys and girls from Union school. A large number of tickets have been sold, and a packed house is anticipated.

Going Back on Their Own Country.

HAVANA, Oct. 20.—The American military commission has been informed that a great number of discharges have been ordered by Spanish soldiers and officers, since the publication of Captain General Blanco's decree announcing that such applications would be granted.

The total number of Spanish soldiers who have made application for absolute discharge from the army before the final evacuation takes place is now estimated to have reached fifteen thousand.

A Slim Excuse.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 20.—It has developed that Charles G. Henning, individual bookkeeper at the Bank of Louisville, is a defaulter in a sum ranging between \$5,000 and \$10,000, and that he has fled from the city.

Henning's downfall is said to be due to wine, women and a broken engagement with a St. Louis girl. The marriage was prevented on account of a difference in religion, Henning being a Protestant and she a Catholic. Henning was one of the bank's most trusted employees.

May be Drummed out of Camp.

CAMP MADE, MIDDLETOWN, Pa., Oct. 20.—The three privates in Company M, Second West Virginia, who were "spread-eagled" are to-day digging sinks. The men will be tried by court-martial on several charges.

They are charged with being unamenable to their fellows who may be inclined to follow in their footsteps in the future.

The Penalty of Wealth.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 20.—News leaked out to-day of a daring robbery at the Arlington hotel several days ago, by which ex-Governor Bullock, of Georgia, and his wife lost diamonds and jewelry valued at several thousand dollars.

The police have been quietly at work on the affair, but thus far without result.

A Sensational Report.

PARIS, Oct. 20.—An evening newspaper announces that Captain Dreyfus is already in Paris and is now confined in the fortress at Mont Valerien, to which he was secretly brought.

Suffering Women.

Women have a great many small complaints out of which large ones grow. In consequence of irregularities, excessive discharges, nerve complaints, they are ever on the rack, knowing little of comfort. Dr. Greene, 35 West 14th St., New York City, the most successful physician in curing diseases in this country, and a specialist of the first standing, has made a special study of women's diseases, and discovered remedies for them which never fail to cure.

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Texas Drug Company Burned out.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 20.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Dallas, Texas, says the extensive plant of the Texas Drug Company, in this city, burned today. Loss estimated at \$500,000.

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FIELD OF CARNAGE

Pen Pictures of the Great Battle of Omdurman.

THE FANATICAL BRAVERY

OF THE MAHDISTS—15,000 THOUSAND OF THEIR WARRIORS MOWED DOWN BY ENGLAND'S ARMY, WHICH AVENGED THE MASSACRE OF GENERAL GORDON—THE FIERCEST FIGHTING THE CENTURY HAS EVER WITNESSED—THE SLAUGHTER OF THE DERVISHES BY KITCHENER'S FORCES.

The description in the London papers of the battle of Omdurman read like clippings from some of Rider Haggard's African romances. The fanatical bravery of the Mahdists never was better shown than on the day when 15,000 of their warriors were mowed down by the unbreakable ranks of England's army. This is G. W. Stevens' account in the Daily Mail of the first attack by the dervishes upon the British and Egyptian lines:

"It was now half-past 6. The flags seemed still distant, the roar faint, and the thud of our first gun was almost startling. It may have startled them, too, but it started them into life. The line of flags swung forward and a mass of white flying linen swung forward with it, too. They came fast and they came straight; and then presently they came no further. With a crash the bullets leaped out of the British rifles. It began with the Guards and Warwick-section volleys at 2,000 yards; then as the dervishes edged rightward it ran along the Highlanders, the Lincolns and to Maxwell's Brigade. The British stood up in double rank behind their saribas; the blacks lay down in their shelter trench; both poured out death as fast as they could load and press the trigger. Shrapnel whistled and Maxims growled savagely. From all the line came perpetual fire, fire, fire, and shrieked forth in great gusts of destruction.

"And the enemy? No white trooper would have faced the torrent of death for five minutes, but the Baggara and the blacks came on. The torrent swept into them and hurled them down in whole companies. You saw a rigid line gather itself up and rush on evenly; the line suddenly quivered and stopped. The line was yet unbroken, but it was quite still. But other lines gathered up again, again, and yet again; they went down, and yet others rushed on. Sometimes they came near enough to see figures quite plainly. One old man with a white flag started with five comrades; all dropped, but he alone came bounding forward to within 200 yards of the Fourteenth Soudanese. Then he folded his arms across his face and his limbs loosened, and he dropped sprawling to earth beside his flag.

"It was the last day of Mahdism, and the greatest. They could never get near and they refused to hold back. By now the ground before us was all white with dead men's drapery. Rifles grew red-hot; the soldiers seized them back to the slings and dragged them back to the reserve to change for cool ones. It was not a battle, but an execution."

This is Mr. Stevens' account of the now famous charge of the Twenty-first Lancers—a charge whereof it must be said, as of that of the Light Brigade at Balaklava, "It was magnificent, but it was not war."

"Verging somewhat westward, to the rear of Gebel Surgham, they came on some 300 dervishes. Their scouts had been over the ground a thousand yards ahead of them, and it was clear for a charge. Only to cut them off it was thought better to get a little west of them, the left wheel, and thus gallop down on them and drive them away from their supports. The trumpets sang out the order, the troops glided into line and, four squadrons in column, the Twenty-first Lancers swung into their first charge."

"Knee to knee they swept on till they were but 200 yards from the enemy. Then suddenly—in a flash—they saw the trap. Between them and the 300 there yawned suddenly a deep ravine, a single cloud of dark beads and a blinding lightning of swords and a thunder of savage voices. Mahmud smiled when he heard the tale in prison at Hailo, and said it was their favorite stratagem. It had succeeded. Three thousand, if there was one, to a short 500; but it was too late to check now. Must go through with it now. The others blunders of British cavalry are the fertile seed of British glory. Knee to knee the Lancers whirled on. One hundred yards—fifty—knee to knee—

"Slap! It was just like that," said a captain, bringing his fist hard into his open palm. Through the swordsmen they shored without checking—and then came the knee. The colonel at their head, riding straight through without sword or revolver drawn, found his horse on its head and the sword swooping about his own. He got the charger up again and rode on straight, unarmed, through everything. The squadrons followed him down the fall. Horses plunged, blundered, reared, fell. Dervishes on the ground lay for the hamstringing cut. Officers pistolled them in passing over as one drops a stone into a bucket; troopers thrust lit lances broke, then cut; everybody went on straight through everything.

"And through everything, clean out the other side they came—those that kept up or got up in time. The others were on the ground—in pieces by now for the cruel swords shore through shoulder and thigh and carved the dead into fillets. Twenty-four of these, and of those that came out seventy-four had felt sword or bullet or spear. Few horses staid behind among the swords, but nearly 150 were wounded. Lieutenant Robert Grenfell's troop came on in a place with a jump as well as a jump in. It left officer, center guide, and both flank guides, ten killed, and eleven wounded. Yet when they burst straggling out their only thought was to rally and to go in again. "Rally No. 2," yelled a sergeant, no manly across the face that his body was a cascade of blood, and nose and cheeks flapped hideously as he yelled: "Fall out, sergeant, you're wounded," said the subaltern of his troop. "No, sir, fall in!" came the hoarse answer, and the man reeled in his saddle. "Fall in No. 2 fall in! Where are the devils? Show me the devils!" And No. 2 in—four whole men out of thirty.

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reached us. From behind the southern slope of Um Mutragan Hills the Khalifa was charging with an, as yet, intact column of 15,000 men, their banners and mounted Emirs again in the forefront. A broad stream, running from the south and the east, of Dervishes who had lain hidden, sprang up and ran to strike in on the southeast corner of Macdonald's brigade. Worse still, Sheikh Ed Din and Yunis, returned from chasing the Egyptian cavalry, were hastening with their division at full speed to attack them in the rear. Scarcely a soul in the Sirdar's army, from the leader down, but saw the unexpected singular peril of the situation. I turned to a friend and said: "Macdonald is in for a terrible time. Will he get out of it?" Then I rode at a gallop back to the rear of the brigade, hanging about the venomous Dervishes hanging about, up the slope of Surgham, where, spread like a picture, the scene lay before me. Prompt in action, the Sirdar had already issued orders for the artillery and the Maxims to open fire on the Khalifa's big column. At the same moment the remaining brigades were wheeled to face west, and Major General Wauchop's got up to assist in completing the route of the Khalifa. The Lincoln, sent to the right, got in line with the Camel Corps, and assisted in finishing off the retreating bands of the Khalifa's son. I saw the dervishes for the first time in all these years turn tail, stoop, and fairly run for their lives to the shelter of the hills."

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