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PREPARE TO "RESOLUTE" NOW.

A meeting of Union veterans of Massachusetts has broken loose in resolutions condemning President Andrews, of Brown University, and President Eliot, of Harvard University—the former for paying a just tribute to General Lee and other Confederate generals, and the latter for criticising the outrageous pension system.

Recognition from other northern sources, such as President Andrews has given General Lee and other Confederate generals, will hardly make in the near future very great demand on the time of Union veterans for the purpose of passing condemnatory resolutions. There are thousands of men in the North who know that President Andrews has only stated the simple truth in regard to Lee and his compatriots, and who, in their hearts, echo his tributes. But, unlike President Andrews, they have not the boldness and the independence to speak out their real sentiments. As surely as truth is eternal and as history will vindicate the cause of the South, the fulness of years will bring from the North an acknowledgment that President Andrews is right. But until then we must have patience, and the Union veterans need not get excited over the matter just now or lose sleep drafting anticipatory resolutions.

If, however, the Union veterans propose to "resolute" against every one who may choose to exercise the privilege of condemning the pension frauds and abuses, they would as well go into the resolution business at once. They will have their hands full. The woods all over the North and West are crowded with tax-payers who, like President Eliot, look upon the existing pension system as highway robbery of the masses. Moreover, as the papers of those sections show, these tax-payers are beginning to give expression to their views on the iniquity in vigorous protests. They urge no objection to being taxed for the benefit of those who have a right to be on the pension lists, but they are getting sadly and rebelliously weary of being mulcted to support the thousands that have no just claim upon the bounty of the government, and who have simply been made pensioners in order that they might prove so many rails in the fences of politicians.

The pension figures are now going the rounds of the more influential papers North and West, and the proposition that at each post-office the list of pensioners receiving mail there be posted in the office is gaining ground. Several Union veterans of high standing are engaged in vigorously denouncing the entire pension system, and the question of reforming the whole business seems fast becoming a burning one. So, we repeat, if Union veteran organizations are going to "resolute" against everybody that thinks the pension robbery, outrage and fraud should be stopped, they would better prepare to "resolute" now.

MR. FOSTER AND HAWAII.

Mr. Foster who was Secretary of State for awhile under President Harrison, comes to the rescue of the Hawaiian annexationists—and Hawaiian sugar-ring—and tries to revive the dying embers of jingoism by declaring that if the annexation treaty is not ratified England will take the islands.

As bearing upon that declaration, we quote the following from a recently published pamphlet entitled, "Hawaiian Annexation Scheme Exposed by General Schofield":

"As early as 1843 the only two nations which had ever threatened the islands entered into a protocol or treaty, at the instance of Secretary Daniel Webster, whereby England and France recognized the independence of the Hawaiian Islands and reciprocally agreed to consider them 'as an independent State, and never to take possession, either directly or under the title of protectorate, or under any other form, of any part of the territory of which they are composed.'"

The author of the pamphlet goes on to say that that is the position of France and England now, and so far as we can see, nothing has developed out of the Hawaiian question as presented to-day which goes to prove that he is not correct. England may have told Mr. Foster confidentially that she has changed her mind, but as long as the public do not know this to be the case it will, we imagine, be rather difficult to extract much more jingoism out of the situation.

The fact is that as far back as 1843 foreign nations recognized that we stood upon the Monroe doctrine as respects the islands. That they recognize that this continues to be our position goes without saying, in view of the light thrown upon our interpretation of that doctrine by the Venezuela complication. As long as we maintain this attitude, the islands are in no more danger from foreign interference or annexation than they would be were they an integral part of our territory.

WHO PAYS THE REVENUE?

In the following statement, based upon statistics for the fiscal year from October 1, 1895, to September 30, 1896, we give the amount of net revenue that each city or county was entitled to be credited with after the elimination of its criminal expenses and money paid by the State for the maintenance of its schools:

COUNTIES.

Accomac	$ 15,204 62
Albemarle	6,797 22
Alexandria	4,046 64
Alleghany	3,000 41
Amelia	430 77
Augusta	32,526 50
Bath	4,124 93
Bedford	1,068 29
Botetourt	5,272 25
Campbell	5,078 27
Caroline	1,861 91
Charles City	1,042 59
Charlotte	1,069 90
Chesterfield	9,218 68
Clarke	8,814 59
Craig	2,002 61
Culpeper	5,632 39
Dinwiddie	292 01
Elizabeth City	14,698 65
Essex	688 98
Fairfax	12,344 61
Fauquier	23,098 92
Frederick	10,086 24
Giles	51 19
Gloucester	2,099 03
Goochland	1,821 27
Greene	973 38
Halifax	3,172 01
Hanover	5,533 00
Henrico	28,194 91
Highland	1,732 06
Isle of Wight	3,863 34
James City	408 96
King George	995 72
King William	2,581 03
Lancaster	1,042 78
Loudoun	34,029 23
Louisa	2,565 27
Madison	3,581 42
Mathews	101 24
Nansemond	10,200 27
New Kent	329 12
Norfolk	8,274 60
Northampton	6,283 92
Northumberland	2,064 17
Nottoway	200 22
Orange	4,894 95
Page	4,153 98
Powhatan	2,268 47
Prince Edward	1,764 66
Prince George	1,463 78
Prince William	3,887 07
Princess Anne	6,746 30
Pulaski	1,900 15
Rappahannock	5,911 33
Richmond	1,465 18
Roanoke	12,728 56
Rockbridge	15,369 28
Rockingham	21,859 81
Shenandoah	12,299 98
Smyth	643 65
Southampton	4,377 22
Spotsylvania	1,659 08
Stafford	1,014 28
Surry	2,383 40
Sussex	2,164 39
Warren	4,131 15
Warwick	7,719 70
Westmoreland	2,428 02
Wythe	7,872 47
	$351,978 58

CITIES.

Alexandria	$ 23,235 13
Bristol	4,331 28
Buena Vista	2,621 91
Charlottesville	11,206 19
Danville	36,316 28
Fredericksburg	9,469 88
Lynchburg	58,866 92
Manchester	5,856 38
Neapolis	7,516 15
Newport News (included in county).	
Norfolk	98,635 79
Petersburg	40,396 49
Portsmouth	22,307 90
Radford	4,587 84
Richmond	279,692 19
Roanoke	26,752 09
Staunton	19,896 28
Williamsburg	1,541 46
Winchester	10,138 52
	$663,089 78
	351,978 58
	$1,015,068 36

In the following statement we give the list of counties that draw from the State Treasury on account of criminal expenses and public schools more than they put in; also, the amount of the deficit in each case:

Amherst	$ 2,715 20
Appomattox	316 98
Bland	84 43
Brunswick	2,708 20
Buchanan	7,195 62
Buckingham	1,281 93
Carroll	7,189 60
Cumberland	145 15
Dickenson	5,907 58
Floyd	3,270 80
Fluvanna	236 42
Franklin	10,063 70
Grayson	5,306 81
Greenesville	826 88
Henry	1,020 61
King and Queen	140 90
Lee	2,971 59
Lunenburg	2,938 20
Mecklenburg	541 25
Middlesex	839 88
Montgomery	312 94
Nelson	678 15
Patrick	8,912 78
Pittsylvania	4,371 15
Russell	3,081 52
Scott	12,505 15
Tazewell	961 78
Washington	3,160 87
Wise	2,867 76
York	182 38
Total amount of deficit	$ 92,729 21

The original of Mrs. Stowe's "Uncle Tom" has just died in Kentucky, it is reported, in absolute destitution. It is a pity that the sentimentality evolved at the North in behalf of the alleged type it was pretended he represented could not have been induced to take some practical turn towards relief of the old man's wants.

The pacification of the Philippines seems to be the main thing the little King of Spain will get in his stocking this year. Let us hope that peace in Cuba will be his—and Cuba's, by next Christmas.

Carl Schurz has metaphorically taken his coat off for the fight against the anti-civil-service-reformers—that is, he has gone into the contest with all his old-time determination.

Gorman denies that he is to become a New Yorker and a Tammanyite. We think we have seen the statement, in days gone by, that he had a wigwam of his own.

Quite a number of widows sailed from New York Thursday for the Klondike, and the gold-seekers of the new El Eldorado are duly warned to "bevare."

Fanciulli has moved to New York, it is reported, in order to grow up with "the Greater," and will become bandmaster of the Seventy-first Regiment there.

The Jersey City minister who is reported as about to start a dancing class has possibly in view only a turning of the feet in the right direction.

Secretary Gage evidently sets great store by that little plan of his, but whether it will gain currency or not remains to be seen.

The minister who is preaching against the wearing of beards must be a silent partner in a barber-shop—and yet not silent either.

The project of a monument in Washington to General McClellan has been revived, this time with some prospect of success.

A LONG-FELT WANT.

The Dispatch has favored the proposed Finance Board from the first. We believe it would be a good thing for Richmond. We believe it would be a good thing for the Democratic party, and, if properly understood, we think the people would force its adoption. But, alas! the friends of the measure do not show a tithe of the activity displayed by its opponents. The newspaper support that the measure has received has not been backed up as it should have been by public meetings, by petitions, etc.

It is not yet too late to do this work, but there is little time to be lost.

We have always claimed for the Democratic party that it is ever ready to adopt whatever reforms are needed. We have begged our voters not to stray away from our ranks to follow the lead of so-called "reformers." We have assured them that the good old Democratic party is a party to which we may always look for whatever measures of relief the people may require. Now the time has come for our party to make good our assurances. The finances of Richmond have not been as successfully managed as they might have been, and there is need of change. Surely it is possible to put our fiscal affairs upon a better footing than they are now! And how is this to be done? We answer, through a commission.

It is a way commended by experience and endorsed by common-sense. It proceeds upon the theory that we would better commit difficult problems to experts than to inexperts. It is based upon the view that after you have found that you are in the wrong road you should get out of it as quickly as possible.

Our present method of finance, though conducted by gentlemen to whom we are indebted for a vast deal of honest and intelligent labor, is inherently faulty. There is not the proper balance between the departments. There is not the sympathetic touch there ought to be. It is every department for itself and the devil take the hindermost. But a finance commission would survey the whole field and consider our resources, our liabilities, and the needs of each department, and would apportion the funds with as much fairness as possible.

That the board would be somewhat independent of the officers and employees of the city we consider no objection. But it would not be independent of the masses of the people. It would always be influenced by public opinion.

In short, the Finance Commission is what we have long needed here. If the scheme be defeated, so much the worse for Richmond and so much greater will be the responsibility of those of our fellow-citizens who, well-knowing that it would be a good thing for our city, are not raising their hands, or their voices, to cause its adoption.

Foot-balls seem to be more carried than kicked in the games that are played now-a-days. Anti-foot-ball bills are apparently made to be bounced.

The Kaiser evidently proposes that Germans shall feel at home in China.

Be wise as a Christmas shopper, and avoid the rush.

The Good-Road Problem.

(Bedford Bulletin.)

Last week mention was made of the fact that by hiring labor the road from Bedford City to the Shingle Block road was repaired and changed at a cost of about $300, when the lowest bid for the same amount of work was $600. While this was a saving of one half, the work could have been done by convict labor at a cost of about $150, being one half cheaper yet than the price of hired labor.

The convicts were sent back to Richmond as a measure of economy, yet it has turned out that the system of road working since then inaugurated has not only cost more in actual funds, but has accomplished much less in beneficial results.

During the time the convict system was in force the county levy for general expenses varied from 23 to 35 cents on the $100, but never higher than 35 cents. The next county levy after their return to Richmond showed an increase in the general tax of 2 cents on the $100. In 1896 this increase was made to support the High School. In 1897, after the High School had been abandoned, there was no decrease in the tax for general expenses. As the levy now stands, there is a specific tax of 10 cents for district road purposes and 37 cents for general expenses and general road purposes. The current expenses of the county do not materially change, the construction and repairing of roads being the chief variable items of the county's expense account, and it is evident that the 2 cent increase has gone for this class of work.

Besides this increase of 2 cents in May, 1897, the Supervisors borrowed $5,000, which was also applied to road work.

A convict force averaging thirty men and the county chain-gang costs on an average $4,480 per year, and yet in eighteen months since this force was abandoned the general levy has been raised 2 cents and $5,000 borrowed to devote to road work. So much for the cost. Now, let us see what has been accomplished under the two systems.

When, in 1892, the convict force was brought here there was hardly what could be called a good road of any length in the whole county, and, as one resident put it, the farmer going to market was constrained to carry a small blacksmith-shop with him to make repairs along the way. The work done by the convicts during their stay here is in evidence in every district. Roads all over the county were changed from impassable mule trails to pleasant driveways, and now the farmer can come to market without fear of being mired, broken down, or upset. The work has stood the test of seasons, and, with little repairing, is there to stay. This work cost the county less than $5,000 per annum, and was paid for out of the general tax, which never during that time exceeded 35 cents.

In the last eighteen months, so far as we can learn, there has been little work of consequence done in the county, except in two or three districts, and not even in these has the total approached the convict work in a like space of time. What has been done is also pronounced by road experts as not comparable with the convict work in stability and permanency. At the end of two years under this system the expense to the county will have been $5,000 borrowed, an additional tax of 2 cents, amounting to about $1,000 a year, as well as the 35 cents in force before. The first year of the 2-cent additional tax was applied to the High School, so the total additional expense of the two years ending July, 1898, will be about $6,000.

Senator Lowry has introduced a bill to modify the existing law regarding the employment of convicts on county roads in some respects, but even should his efforts in this direction be unsuccessful, can a cheaper and better method of improving the county roads without the convicts be devised?

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NEW YORK, December 17—The first assembly of this season, which took place last night at the Hotel Astoria, was one of the most magnificent functions of its kind ever given in this city. It surpassed even the Patriachs and the assembly last year.

At the entrance, against a background of huge palms, stood Mrs. Astor in a magnificent gown of white and black brocade, wearing her famous diamonds, and an aigrette sprinkled with smaller stones. Next to her stood Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, the youngest matron who has ever received at an assembly ball. Mrs. J. Abercrombie Burden, in pearl brocade, and Mrs. Egerton Winthrop, Jr., in white satin, were the other two women who received. Mrs. Egerton Winthrop, Jr., represented with Mrs. Whitney the younger set of women. The reception continued until nearly 1 o'clock, the guests, after bowing to Mrs. Astor and her assistants, went into the great ball-room.

The ball was a late one, and it was nearly 1 o'clock before even desultory dancing commenced. There was so much space to walk about and talk in that the original intention of dancing was almost forgotten. The scene was more like a series of splendid residences thrown open to a crowd of elegantly-dressed people. The color-tone of the ball-rooms was was pink and white, and these two were the prevailing tints in the gowns. White seemed to be the favorite, and nearly all the debutantes were arrayed in gowns of this color. Plumes were worn in great number, but the display of jewels was much less than it has been in previous years. The supper was arranged for 450 covers, and was served about 1 o'clock.

PETERSBURG.

Death of an Old Bank Officer—Suit for Damages.

PETERSBURG, VA., December 17.—(Special.)—Mr. George W. Stainback, an old and well-known citizen, died this morning at the Home for the Sick, where he was taken several days ago to have an operation performed, as the only hope for his life. Mr. Stainback was 67 years old, and was the son of the late George W. Stainback, who for forty years before and during the war was the trusted cashier of the old Bank of Virginia, on Bank street. Deceased was a member of Tabb-Street Presbyterian church, and leaves two brothers and one sister—Mr. Robert P. Stainback, of New York, and Mr. E. H. Stainback, and Mrs. Crichton, of this city. He was never married.

Judge B. A. Hancock and a jury will have an interesting case on trial in the Circuit Court on Monday next, in the damage suit for $10,000 of Mr. Chambers, a citizen of Dinwiddie county, against the Petersburg Street Railway Company, for alleged injuries to his person, received several months ago. Mr. Chambers, while driving down Halifax street, was knocked from his wagon by one of the electric cars, and was considerably hurt.

Mr. William E. Tinsley, announced himself a candidate for High Constable, as against Mr. John H. Harrill, the incumbent, who will be a candidate for re-election. It is understood that there will be a third candidate for this office. Appearances indicate a lively election in this city next spring.

A MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

The Body of Marshall, the Gunner's Mate, Found.

NORFOLK, VA., December 17.—(Special.)—The mystery of the disappearance since Sunday night of Clarence B. Marshall, gunner's-mate on the gunboat Wilmington, who, it was first feared, had been foully dealt with, has been cleared up by the recovery of his body from the bottom of the Elizabeth river. The inquest held by the City Coroner declared the drowning accidental. Marshall returned from Shore Liberty at 9 o'clock on Sunday night in company with several shipmates, and the party proceeded to the south pier, where the Wilmington was lying. Marshall did not go on board with the others, but started to go beyond the Simpson dry-dock, to reach which he had to cross the Caisson, at the mouth of the dock. The night was very dark, and it is presumed that he stumbled just as he reached the Caisson and fell overboard. The next morning his hat was found on the stone abutment of the dry-dock. The remains were taken on board the Wilmington, and afterward they were taken aboard the tug Wahneta and carried to the Naval Hospital, where they were interred with military honors. The funeral cortege was composed of the Naval Post Band, a firing party of marines, and two companies of sailors fully officered.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES SUNDAY.

BROAD-STREET METHODIST CHURCH (corner of Broad and Tenth streets).—Sunday school 9:30 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. W. G. STARR, D. D. Morning subject: "A Possible Disaster from Which May God Deliver Us." At night: "The Art of Keeping Out of Trouble." A cordial welcome to all.

UNION STATION M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH—Rev. GEORGE C. VANDERSLICE, D. D., Pastor—The pastor will preach both 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. 9:15 A. M., Sunday school and morning class. 3:30 P. M., Epworth League. Usual services MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and THURSDAY NIGHTS. Official meeting TUESDAY NIGHT.

CLAY-STREET METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH (corner Adams and Clay streets)—Rev. E. H. HAWLINGS, Pastor.—Sabbath school 9:15 A. M. Preaching 11 A. M and 8 P. M. by the Pastor. Morning subject: "The Faithful Steward"—special sermon to the official board. Evening, third of the series on "Christian Steadfastness." Subject: "The Bible in Christian Culture." MONDAY, 8 P. M., official meeting. TUESDAY, 8 P. M., class meeting. WEDNESDAY, 8 P. M., midweek prayer service. FRIDAY, 8:15 P. M., devotional meeting of Epworth League.

PARK-PLACE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH (corner Pine and Franklin streets)—Rev. THOMAS N. POTTS, D.D., Pastor. Services at 11 A. M. Subject of sermon: "Moral Contractors and Their Work." At 8 P. M. subject of sermon: "Tin Horns, Firecrackers, Whiskey, and Christmas." A cordial invitation to all.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Dr. HOGE will preach at 11 A. M. and at 4 P. M.

GRACE-STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. JERE WITHERSPOON, D. D., Pastor-elect.—Services at 11 o'clock A. M. and 8 o'clock P. M. Preaching by the pastor. Sunday school services at 9:30 o'clock A. M.; WEDNESDAY NIGHT services at 8 o'clock. ts

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (corner of Twelfth and Broad streets).—Rev. GEORGE COOPER, D. D., pastor, will preach at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Bible School at 9:30 A. M.; Young People's Union at 4 P. M. Every one made heartily welcome.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH (corner Sixth and Main streets)—Rev. W. R. L. SMITH, D. D., Pastor.—Sunday school at 9:15 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the pastor. Seats free. A cordial welcome to all. ts

GRACE-STREET BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. WM. E. HATCHER, D. D., Pastor.—Services at the Tabernacle, Grace between Belvidere and Pine streets. Sunday school at 9:15 A. M. Preaching by the pastor at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Young People's Union SUNDAY AFTERNOON at 4 o'clock. Prayer meeting WEDNESDAY NIGHT at 8 o'clock. Young men's prayer-meeting SATURDAY NIGHT at 8 o'clock.

GROVE-AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH (Grove avenue near Beech street)—Rev. J. C. HIDEN, D. D., Pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by the Pastor. Pastor's Bible class from 10 to 10:30 in main audience room every SUNDAY MORNING. ts

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MEETINGS.

YOUNG MEN'S BUSINESS ASSOCIATION.—The regular monthly meeting will be held in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce MONDAY, December 20th, at 8 o'clock P. M. A large attendance is specially requested, as matters of importance will come before the meeting. de 18-2t

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY will be held at the Society's Building, 107 east Franklin street, on MONDAY, December 20th, at 8:30 P. M. de 17-3t

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

A meeting of the STOCKHOLDERS OF THE UNDERWOOD STEMMING-MACHINE COMPANY is called, to be held in Richmond, Va., at the office of the company, on JANUARY 3, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon.

By order of the President.

de 17-td J. J. HICKOK, Secretary.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH, MATINEE AND NIGHT, YALE'S

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Pure Catawba Wine, per gallon	$ 50
Best Claret Wine, per gallon	50
Wine, for Jelly	40
California Sherry Wine	70
Imported Sherry Wine	1 00
Port Wine	80
Claret Wines, per bottle, imported	25
Rye Whiskey	1 25
Old Rye Whiskey	1 50
Old Rye Whiskey, 4 years old	2 00
Old Rye Whiskey, 5 years old	2 40
Old Rye Whiskey, 6 years old	3 00
Fine North Carolina Corn Whiskey, 3 years old	2 00
French Brandy, 2 years old	2 00
Pure Old Virginia Apple Brandy	2 00
Old French Brandy, 5 years old	3 00
New England Rum	2 00
Imported Gin	2 00
Blackberry Wine	40
Best Blackberry Wine, per gallon	60
Fine Catawba Wine	60
London Porter, per dozen	2 00
Good Holland Gin	1 50
5 pounds Fresh-Made French Candy for	25
4 pounds new Figs for	25
6¼ pounds New Dates for	25
3 pounds New Mixed Nuts for	25
3 pounds New London Layer Raisins for	25
Wine for Jelly, quart	10
Sweet Cider, gallon	25

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(de 15-t25)

DIVIDEND NOTICES.

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PETERSBURG RAILROAD COMPANY. The Board of Directors of the Petersburg Railroad Company have declared a DIVIDEND OF THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS A SHARE on the stock of the company, payable on the 3d day of January, 1898, to holders of the same of record on the 20th day of December, 1897, after which day the books of transfer will be closed until January 4, 1898. W. R. JONES, Treasurer.

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DIVIDEND NOTICE.

RICHMOND AND PETERSBURG RAILROAD COMPANY. The Board of Directors of the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad Company have declared a DIVIDEND OF THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS A SHARE on capital stock of the company, payable on the 3d day of January, 1898, to holders of the same of record on the 20th day of December, 1897, after which day the books of transfer will be closed until January 4, 1898. W. R. JONES, Treasurer.

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PROPOSALS.

City Hall, Richmond, Va., December 15, 1897.

THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS AND PRINTING will receive sealed proposals for supplying the various departments of the city with STATIONERY, BLANK-BOOKS, BINDING, RULING, &C., BOOK- AND JOB-PRINTING, and for the CITY ADVERTISING for the fiscal year 1898, all bids to be submitted at Room No. 12, third floor, City Hall, by 6 o'clock P. M. TUESDAY, December 21, 1897.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

For specifications call upon the clerk of the committee at Room 12, City Hall, at 12 o'clock M., Thursday, December 16, 1897.

G. K. POLLOCK, Chairman.

C. B. West, Clerk. de 15-3t

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STREET-CAR TICKETS.

ON AND AFTER SEPTEMBER 9th the sale of tickets in lots of 25 for $1 will be discontinued.

Conductors will continue to sell tickets at the rate of 6 for 25c.

SCHOOL TICKETS

will hereafter be sold to school children only at the company's offices, foot of Seventh street and corner of Twenty-ninth and P streets. Pupils desiring them will be required to present certificate covering the ensuing session from principal of school.

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