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NEWPORT NEWS CASE

WRIT OF PROHIBITION ASKED OF SUPREME COURT.

PETITIONERS' BRIEF IS READY.

Arguments in Support of the Application—May Be Filed To-Day—Prepared by Messrs. Meredith and Sands—Hilgarian Decision To-Day.

As counsel for Mayor Moss, Chief of Police Johnson, and the Police Commissioners of Newport News, Messrs. Wyndham R. Meredith and William H. Sands, of this city, will, probably to-day, file in the Supreme Court a brief in support of their application for a writ of prohibition, forbidding Judge Barham, of the Corporation Court of Newport News, to further enforce the order of injunction which restrains Captain Johnson from acting as Chief of Police and recognizes S. J. Harwood as Chief.

The facts in the case are pretty well known. The Commissioners removed Harwood, the old Chief, and appointed Johnson in his place. Harwood then sued out an injunction restraining Johnson from acting.

Counsel for the petitioners claim that the amendment of the sixty-second charter of the Newport News charter is unconstitutional, because the power of appointment and removal vested in the Police Commissioners can in no wise be subjected to the control of the Corporation Court. Great stress is laid on the principle of the entire separation of the three departments of government, legislative, executive, and judicial. In removing from office the old Chief, the Mayor exercised an executive function, and to hold otherwise would be to confound the functions of the three departments.

The case now before the court proceeds the brief, is the first direct attempt to break down the constitutional barrier which separates each of the three departments of government from the others. It is for this reason that the decision assumes such great importance.

It is not only insisted that the attempt to give an appeal from the decision of the court is unconstitutional, but that the attempted appeal is null and void, because the printed act under consideration is silent as to the mode by which the appeal is to be made. It is a statutory one, and is unknown to the common law, it is contended.

ERROR IN PRINTING AGENCIES. In conclusion, the agencies sprung an unexpected argument. During the preparation of the brief, it is stated, the Keeper of the Rolls of Virginia, complying with a request, furnished a certified copy of the act of the Legislature of 1897. "To our surprise," the brief proceeds, "we find that the correct amendment to section 62 of the charter of Newport News, reads as follows: 'And provided, further, that three members of the Board of Police Commissioners shall have the right of appeal from the decision of the Board of the Corporation of the said city.' There is no such word as 'court' in the statute which would have a word read into a statute must be plainly deducible from other parts of the statute. Sub. St. Code, sec. 229, the powers of the municipal authorities, and to insert a clause giving power to a State tribunal cannot be done.

As the act of the Corporation Court, its action on the matter of the injunction order and the further matter of appeal, is a judicial one, in excess of the jurisdiction will be, in excess of the jurisdiction of the Board of Police Commissioners to the Corporation Court of Newport News, without jurisdiction of the learned judge without jurisdiction.

Decision in Hilgarian Case To-Day. To-day is opinion day in the Supreme Court. It is expected that in the case of A. H. Hilgarian vs. the Commonwealth, recently argued on a writ of error, the court will render its decision. There is a great deal of public interest in the case, and several points involved make it of interest to the legal fraternity.

PROCEEDINGS YESTERDAY. The following were the proceedings in the Supreme Court yesterday: Bressie vs. Bradford. Further argued by John H. Alexander for appellant and J. H. Wilson vs. Wall. Passed to March term.

For Shorter Hours of Labor. The Trades and Labor Council of Richmond received a communication from the Textile-Workers of Danville, asking the council to endorse a resolution that the factory owners in Virginia shall not work their employees in the mill more than seventy hours a week. The council decided to pass such a bill the support asked for.

The Richmond Branch of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, recently organized, is now represented in the Trades and Labor Council. Five delegates from the association were seated in the council at a meeting on Tuesday night, at Ellett's.

Engineers Congratulate Them. President G. W. Stevens and Messrs. C. H. Doyle and C. C. Walker, all of the Chesapeake and Ohio road, have been elected by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers with a set of resolutions congratulating them on their promotion. The engineers declare that they are glad to see the Chesapeake and Ohio road as well and valuable as it is in their power to make it.

The Paulist Mission. The mission which is being conducted at St. Patrick's church by the Paulist

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

GIVEN EIGHTEEN YEARS.

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trust," said the Missouri Senator, "from the cradle to the grave." The Republicans, he asserted, dared not raise the black flag against the trusts, because the last campaign, and now, in gratitude for their financial assistance, they would not raise their hands against them.

"This bill," continued Mr. Vest, "will pass the Senate. It is a part of the protective system, sacred to the Republic, and especially to the English. Drunk with victory, the Republican party will stop at nothing."

At 4:32 P. M. the Senate adjourned. The House passed the District of Columbia appropriation bill to-day, and disposed of five of the sixty-five pages of the naval appropriation bill.

Mr. Wheeler, of Kentucky, in favor of a navy big enough to "meet all comers." Several provisions of the bill were knocked out, on points of order, including that which gave warrant officers the commission for the second lieutenant of the marine corps.

The provision for an inspector of naval accounts, with the rank of lieutenant-commander, went out, on a point of order. A point of order also was sustained against an amendment to increase the number of chaplains in the navy from twenty-four to thirty-four.

The blind chaplain of the House, in his invocation, referred feelingly to the death of the Queen.

JOHN MARSHAL-DAY. The Senate resolution for the celebration of John Marshall-Day, February 4th, was adopted. The House then went into Committee of the Whole, and took up the naval bill.

Mr. Foss said the controverted question as to armor-plate had been happily settled by the action of the Secretary of the Navy in accepting bids for 38,810 tons of armor at \$28 per ton, and \$24.32 royalty for Krupp armor. He declared that at that price the United States would obtain armor at 25 per cent. below the price paid by other countries.

"Is this the same sort of armor?" asked Mr. Bartlett, of Georgia, "which the Naval Committee last year said should be purchased for \$55 per ton?"

Mr. Foss explained the controversy between the committee and the House last year, except to, intimating that the chairman of the Naval Committee was distinguished.

General debate was limited to one hour. KEEPING AHEAD OF GERMANY. Mr. Foss, of Illinois, chairman of the Naval Committee, who was in charge of the bill, was read for amendment. He said that our navy was keeping ahead of Germany, and was keeping a little ahead of it.

Mr. Cleveland, of Ohio, took exception to the bill, and exercised his right of amendment. He said that the bill was directed against Germany, and was keeping ahead of Germany.

GREAT INCREASES YEARLY. Mr. Richardson contended that the bill carried an increase of \$12,000,000 in one profound peace.

"The bill carried \$12,000,000 more than the bill for the previous year. Year by year there come these great increases for the navy. The present bill is \$10,000,000 larger than the bill of two years ago."

Mr. Wheeler, of Kentucky, spoke enthusiastically of a great navy. He was opposed, however, to a large army.

After the five-minute rule, the House, at 5:20, adjourned.

DUTIES OF WEST POINT "FAGS." More Forms of Hazing—Against the Code to Look Sully.

A WEST POINT, N. Y., January 23.—The Congressional Committee, which is investigating the death of the late Cadet Booz, resumed the taking of testimony to-day. Cadet Roland Seldon was examined. Booz had been his special duty man, he said, and he had required no mental duty of him. He had "exercised" Booz, but did not remember exercising Booz. Booz was unpopular, he said, because he was thick-skinned, and the expression of his face was unattractive.

To Chairman Dick, the cadet said the service of a special duty man included making beds, sweeping out tent for incense, preparing refreshments, etc. It did not include blacking boots, which the witness considered menial. Alternatives presented to an offending fourth-class man were to submit to hazing, fight, or be cut by the corps.

Cadets Ray, Hawley, and Dean were particularly severely hazed. Cadet Sealer was considered as being a severe hazer. About a hundred "eagles" were required of an evening of a lower-class man, and about thirty "Wooden Willies." Sitting on a bayonet and eating soup, chewing "chow-woods," "ostrich," and a large number of other performances were forms of hazing.

After being hazed it was against the code to look sulky.

Decision in Castellane Suit. PARIS, January 22.—The first civil tribunal of the Seine has decided the counter suit of the Count and Countess de Castellane and Wertheimer, the bribe-dealer, by dividing the transactions into three series. In the first one it is declared that the exchanges and purchases were freely agreed to, and in good faith, and therefore could not be modified. The second series, comprising the exchanges, is regarded as liable to the suspicion of bribery, and the court, therefore, has appointed three experts to prepare the articles, final judgment being given after their report. In the third series, concerning art works belonging to Count Boni de Castellane, and sold by Wertheimer, the court declares that the transactions were good, but calls on Wertheimer to submit proof of the sale, in order to show that he did not realize illegitimate profit.

Decision for Associated Press. JEFFERSON CITY, MO., January 23.—The Supreme Court to-day overruled a decision for a rehearing in the case of the St. Louis Star against the Associated Press, in which a petition for a writ of mandamus to compel the latter to furnish its reports to the Star had been denied.

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A FIVE O'CLOCK TEA

MRS. R. C. MORTON THE HOSTESS AT A PRETTY FUNCTION.

SEVERAL RECENT WEDDINGS.

Richmond Young People Married in Washington—Church Hill Branch of the W. C. A.—A Mothers' Meeting Brief Social Notes.

Mrs. R. C. Morton gave a charming tea yesterday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock, at her home, on West Franklin street. The rooms were softly lighted with shaded lamps and candles. Palms and cut-flowers were arranged in the rooms in artistic fashion.

In the dining-room the table was lighted with pink-shaded candles in silver candelabra, and in the center, on a centrepiece of Renaissance lace, stood a bowl of American Beauty roses.

Mrs. Morton was assisted in receiving by Miss Morton, Mrs. W. W. Morton, Master Allen Walter Morton.

Punch was served by Mrs. E. Randolph Williams and Mrs. R. Turner Arrington, both of Mrs. Edw. Anderson's party. John P. McGuire, Assisting in receiving were Mrs. Fred Pleasants, Mrs. Thomas Bolling, and Miss Sallie Deane.

The young ladies in the dining-room were Misses Stokes, Elizabeth Whitlock, Sally Reid Anderson, Josephine Putney, Pauline Powers, Sadie Sutton, Beulah Patten, Sally Reid Hobson, and Elise Davenport.

A large number called during the receiving hours.

Mr. James W. Ball and Miss Grace Price were married yesterday at 1 o'clock in Washington, at the residence of Mr. Ball's cousin, Rev. C. W. Trainham, formerly of this city, performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Price, of this city. Mr. Ball is private secretary to Mr. C. W. Tanner. After the ceremony the young couple left for the North. No invitation was issued to the wedding, but announcement cards will be sent out later.

The Church Hill branch of the Woman's Christian Association met Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home, with the president, Mrs. Snelling, in the chair. The chairman of the Admission Committee to finally thirteen inmates, and showed that they had their application on file.

February 1st has been set apart as donation-day, and a committee of ladies will be at the home to receive any contributions of money, housefurnishings, or other goods for the general public use of the home. The home will be open from 11 A. M. to 10 P. M.

At this meeting, the matron, Mrs. McWright, long identified with the work of the Woman's Christian Association in this city, tendered her resignation of this office of ill health, and it was accepted. Mrs. H. I. Dandridge was unanimously chosen her successor, and will assume charge of the home Thursday, January 24th.

The "mothers' meeting" held Tuesday afternoon at Westminster School was a most interesting occasion. Miss Campbell, of the school, read reports of the work in each. Miss Leahy also told of the nature and aim of her classes in clothing, and her resignation was accepted. Miss Arundel read a helpful paper on Froebel's Mother Play, and with Miss Campbell sang some kindergarten songs.

Among those present were Messdames J. T. Watson, Richard Meade, G. G. Fairbank, Albert Bruce, S. M. Bryan, S. Campbell, J. T. Jeffress, K. G. Albright, Mrs. T. H. Stapp, Mrs. J. B. Riddick, Southall, of the teachers, Misses Campbell, Arundel, Leahy, Wilcox, and Eggleston, and Miss Choate, a visiting kindergarten.

Mr. Oliver Walsh and Miss Cora Richardson were married Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Bettie Walsh, 206 Louisiana street. Rev. J. T. Routten performed the ceremony. The bride wore a stylish tailor-made suit of brown, and carried carnations. Messrs. William Hill and Charles Vass acted as witnesses.

The bride is a very pretty and attractive young lady, and the groom is a popular young merchant of the West End. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh will reside for the present at 209 Louisiana street.

Miss Maria Blair will sail with a delightful party on February 16th for Europe for a tour of four months. The party will sail on the North German Lloyd steamer, the "Gibralta," and will land at Genoa, Rome, Athens, and Constantinople, returning home early in June. The party will be Mr. H. D. Whitcomb, Mrs. Hugh M. Taylor, Miss Josephine Whitlock, Misses Garnett, of Washington, and Miss Osborne, of Petersburg.

The Young People's Institute, succeeded by the Boys' Bureau, which was opened on January 21st at 414 north Twenty-fifth street, will soon add a reading-room to the institute. The best current magazines and periodicals, beside books, fiction, fiction, fashion, religion, etc., can be had there. Membership fee is \$1 per year.

The musical members of the Commonwealth Club are rehearsing for an opera, "The Sorcerer," which they will produce on February 5th at the Jeffersonian. Admission to this opera, which promises to be a success, will be 50 cents. The opera will be staged and sung, will be by invitation only. After the performance a dance will be given at the hotel.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Grace church will give a silver tea this evening from 8 to 11 o'clock in the lecture hall of the church. Mr. Yohannon, of Persim, in native, will discourse on the manner and customs of his country. Music and refreshments will finish delightfully a charming evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sorg, of No. 421 Denny street, were tendered a delightful surprise party on Monday by a number of their friends to commemorate the tenth anniversary of their marriage.

Mrs. John Edgar Rowe, of 207 West Marshall street, will miss as her guest for several weeks Miss Ella Farley, of Baltimore.

Miss Grace and Jennie Eddins, of Baltimore, are the guests of their cousin, Mrs. A. J. Parrish, No. 85 Floyd avenue.

Mr. Kendall Keegan, a student at St. Mary's Seminary, is visiting his parents, at 272 east Marshall street.

Mrs. Jeffress's guests were Mrs. J. A. Hodges; Miss Laura Adair, of Atlanta; and Mrs. J. A. Hodges.

THE DOCTOR'S WIFE. Watches the Effect of Proper Feeding.

"I have an excellent opportunity to know of the effect of food in sickness, for my husband is a practicing physician, and has been recommending Grape-Nuts Food for some time. I have watched the result, and have never known a case where it has not given satisfaction. One instance will perhaps suffice to illustrate a profound health. My husband here was in very poor health, and was much troubled. He finally got into such a condition that he could not eat any food whatever without suffering, and was so weak that he could hardly get out of bed. He was put on Grape-Nuts Food, and gained rapidly, and is now in good health. His cure was effected by the use of Grape-Nuts Food. Mrs. Dr. Lyman, 'on O.'"

Locked Up at Second Station. A. C. Grim, a young white man, was locked up at the Second Station last night on the charge of stealing a shotgun, valued at \$5, from T. B. Doyle.

Shoekoe Council. Shoekoe Council Royal Arcanum, held its regular meeting last night. The routine business had been transacted, and refreshments were served.

WOMEN WHO CAN REGAIN HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

Miss Florence Allan

Miss Rose Cullen

Miss Emma Jouris

Miss Florence Allan, a beautiful Chicago girl, writes the following to Dr. S. B. Hartman concerning his catarrhal cure, Peruna:

"As Walton Place, Chicago, Ill. Peruna stands at the head in my estimation. Its effects are wonderful in rejuvenating the entire system. I keep it on hand all the time, and never have that tired feeling, as a few doses always make me feel like a different woman."—Florence Allan.

Miss Cullen was exhausted from Overstudy. Miss Rose Cullen, president of the Young Women's Club, Butte, Mont., writes:

"21 Galena street, Butte, Mont. Gentlemen,—Peruna has many friends in Butte. I cannot say too much in praise of it. While finishing school I became very nervous and exhausted from overstudy. I was weak and sick and could neither eat, sleep, nor enjoy life. A couple bottles of Peruna put the house and taking a dose of one of it keeps me in fine health. A large number of my friends praise Peruna at the time of my recovery. Rose Cullen."

Miss Jouris Grows Strong in Two Weeks. Miss Emma Jouris, president of the Good and Beautiful Circle, writes from 40 Burling street, Chicago, Ill. the following enthusiastic letter concerning Peruna:

Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, O. Gentlemen,—Recently I suffered quite severely from the after-effects of a grippe. As the doctor did not seem to help me I bought a bottle of Peruna. I had certain ideas that a medicine of this kind would help me, and in a few days I felt better, and in a little over two weeks I was as strong and

well as ever. We keep it in the house constantly, and if any of the family feels badly a few doses strengthens them. Peruna is not only an excellent remedy to give during the acute stage of the grippe, but it constitutes the remedy par excellence for the after-effects which are sure to follow an attack of the grippe.

WOMEN NOT SICK. But Miserable, Weak, Nervous, Tired, Dyspeptic, Sleepless, and Melancholy.

The number of women who consider themselves as really sick or invalids are far in excess of the number of people who are really well. Many months after months but will not give up, continuing to do their regular work.

This class of people do not think they need to take medicine. Indeed, they dread to begin taking medicine, fearing they will get worse instead of better. The fact is, however, there is no class of people who receive more prompt and lasting benefit from medicine than this very class.

If one has a poor appetite, is tired, debilitated, and worn out, Peruna quickly restores the system. We have hundreds of letters from women who were weak and nervous all the time until they began the use of Peruna. Peruna is especially adapted to protect against and curing nervousness of rundown women, as the testimonial of Miss Allan and Miss Cullen indicate. People recovering from acute diseases find Peruna to be without any equal as a strengthening medicine, as in the case of Miss Jouris.

Solve an Overworked with Study. An excellent little treatise on "Health and Beauty" written especially for women by Dr. Hartman, will be sent free to any address by the Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, O.

Suplice Caught Fire. Narrow Escape of Priest While Bunching a Condensed Man.

LYNCHBURG, VA., January 23.—(Special)—Archie Hunt, the negro who is to be hanged here on Friday, was baptized this morning by Father Anaxias, a Jesuit priest. In the midst of the ceremony the minister's surplice touched one of the burning candles, and in a moment it was in a light blaze. With a shout of mind Father Anaxias seized the burning garment, and by rolling it into a knot under his arm, saved himself from crushing out the flames, and saving himself from fearful injury.

Lower Rappahannock. (Correspondence of the Dispatch). IRVINGTON, VA., January 22.—Last night a Junior Order of the United American Mechanics council was organized in this village, with twenty-two charter members, by Deputy-State-Council Albert Noblett, of Kilmarnock, Lancaster county. The new council starts out with a fine record, and is to be known as Irvington Council, Junior Order of the United American Mechanics, No. 54. Immediately after the council was instituted, the following officers were chosen: President, W. Henry Fyfe, Jr.; secretary, George St. C. Smith, vice-councillor; Charlie Callis, assistant recording secretary; Alvah Hammon, recording secretary; B. S. Hammons, financial secretary; J. T. Hulse, treasurer; W. McDonald Lee, past councillor; and State representative, and Messrs. John C. Brown, W. M. Lee, and W. Henry Ford, trustees. This order has made rapid growth throughout this county during the past two or three years, there having been four councils instituted in that time within a radius of five miles.

Henry Kamps, of Kilmarnock, Lancaster county, who was injured in a collision one night last week while driving from one place to another, has been taken to the White Stone to his home, is improving.

Mr. W. H. Self and Miss Margie A. Hale, both of Northumberland county, were married on Wednesday at the Meth-

odist parsonage in Heathsville, Northumberland county, by Rev. T. J. Wray.

The people of the Northern Neck have been given up hope of filling their ice-houses with ice this winter, and are regretting that next summer, and are compelled to do without this luxury, and send to the city for it. The price of transportation is what counts up.

Miss Addie Bussell, of Cape Charles, has returned home, after spending several days in this village with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morris, of Reedville, Northumberland county, are on a tour through the South, and make a short run to Cuba before returning. Mr. Morris is one of the most prosperous menhaden fishermen in the Northern Neck.

Mr. Gayland Sanders and bride, who were married here before last, in Richmond, have arrived at their home near White Stone, Lancaster county.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Treaskie, who have been visiting Mrs. Treaskie's parents, Captain and Mrs. F. A. Gandy, at Marine Station, Md., have returned to their home at Palmers, Lancaster county.

Howard Hathaway, a prominent lawyer of White Stone, Lancaster county, who has been quite sick for the past month, is out again, and yesterday took up his business before the County Court.

Honors to the Mutual Life. NEW YORK, January 23.—As a partial recognition of the merits of the exhibit made by the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, at the recent Paris Exposition, the decision of the Legion of honor in France has been conferred upon Mr. Robert H. McCurdy, the superintendent of the foreign department of that company, and yesterday was awarded to Dr. E. J. Marsh, medical director of the company, for his exhibit of its mortality statistics.