

DIRTY METHODS

Are Being Employed to Influence Delegates Against Middleswart

But His Friends are Standing Like a Stone Wall and Will See That Justice Prevails.

There is no doubt that the verdict of the Republicans of Washington county at the primaries last Saturday was rendered in favor of Mr. Middleswart for Representative, neither is there any doubt of that verdict being carried into execution by the delegates in the convention today.

It was a hard fight and a clean one so far as Mr. Middleswart was concerned and nothing but fair means were employed in his behalf. He went before the people of the county on his merits, and the result is that his record has been handsomely endorsed.

Every imaginable method has been employed to bring about his defeat, but his friends have stood loyally by his side and today he will be placed at the head of the Republican ticket for Washington county.

MANY INSTANCES MIGHT BE POINTED OUT WHERE THE MEANEST KIND OF METHODS WERE EMPLOYED, BUT ABOUT THE MOST GLARING IS REPORTED FROM FEARING TOWNSHIP. THE JUDGE OF THE PRIMARIES THERE COUNTED THE VOTES LONG BEFORE THE TIME FOR CLOSING, FOUND A TIE VOTE, CAST LOTS

IN FAVOR OF RILEY, THEN LEFT THE PLACE. SOON AFTERWARD A VOTER PRESENTED HIMSELF WITH A MIDDLESWART TICKET, WITH THE NAME OF MR. ZIMMERMAN FOR COMMITTEEMAN. BUT WAS DEPRIVED OF THE RIGHT OF FRANCHISE. THESE FACTS WILL BE SUBSTANTIATED BY MR. GUY HILL, WHO WAS THE CLERK IN CHARGE. ANOTHER THING, A MAN NAMED PALMER WHO NOW RESIDES AND VOTES IN MARIETTA, WENT TO FEARING TOWNSHIP SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND VOTED FOR THE RILEY DELEGATION. HE THEN WENT TO MR. HILL SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND ATTEMPTED TO "PERSUADE" HIM WITH UNDUE INFLUENCE, BUT HIS OFFERS WERE SPURNED WITH CONTEMPT, JUST AS THEY DESERVED TO BE.

In the hope of covering up their tracks these political desperadoes are now trying to fool the delegates by starting the cry of fraud. They have also become so bold as to try to bribe a number of delegates, but in all instances the men approached have turned the offers down.

DERRICK AND DRILL.

Movements in the Oil Fields, Both Local and General.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Value. Includes Tiona, Pennsylvania, Cornburg, Newcastle, North Lima, South Lima, Indiana, Somerset.

MARIETTA FIELD.

Special to the Leader. Marietta, O., June 17.—The Henderson Oil Co. is building the rig for No. 12 Dye farm, located close to the Dual State No. 14 Dye.

WOLF CREEK FIELD.

By Associated Press. Wolf Creek, O., June 17.—Cameron & Sons No. 5 N. E. Russell is in and shows for a 75 barrel well. The same company's No. 4 is flowing 240 barrels per day. W. T. Haskins' No. 2, district school lot, is located. The Murdock West Co.'s No. 12 J. Lightner is located.

MACKEBURG FIELD.

Special to the Leader. Mackeburg, O., June 17.—Patton & Co.'s No. 1 James Gordon is in and making two barrels in the 599 foot sand.

Aiken & Blakeslee have located their No. 65 Geo. Dyer farm.

Lowell, O., June 17.—Case, Adams & Sarber's No. 2 Matter is in and is making a tremendous gas flow. The well cannot be controlled and promises to be a wonder breaker in this section. The capacity is estimated at 1,000,000 feet per day.

SUCCEEDS EVANS.

The Selection of a Commissioner of Pensions Reported.

By Associated Press. Chicago, June 17.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from Topeka, Kas., says that ex-Congressman S. R. Peters of Kansas, today received a dispatch calling him to Washington where he will be tendered the office of pension commissioner, succeeding H. Clay Evans. President McKinley has had under consideration the name of Congressman Blue and Peters for this place, and Mr. Peters' summons to the White House settles the appointment in his favor.

BUGGY WHIP

Used by a Wealthy Woman in Attacking her Debtor.

By Associated Press. Anderson, Ind., June 17.—William J. Woolley a member of the city council and a steel manufacturer, was assaulted in the street in front of his home this afternoon by Mrs. Benjamin Lukens and her son, Benjamin, Jr. Mrs. Lukens struck Woolley several times with a buggy whip. In the face. He grabbed her hands and then Lukens advanced with a club and knocked Woolley down. Mrs. Lukens again laid on the whip. Woolley then dashed into a yard and Lukens drove away. A physician was called to sew up the cuts in Woolley's face and head. The trouble was over Woolley's refusal, it is said, to pay a note for \$1000 which the husband of Mrs. Lukens holds and on which he brought suit to force payment. The Lukens family is wealthy and prominent.

Found no True Bill.

By Associated Press. Cleveland, O., June 17.—The grand jury today reported no true bill in the case of August Hubbell and the officials of the Cleveland Leader Publishing Co., charged with libel. The arrest was made upon warrants sworn out by Tom L. Johnson as the result of affidavit made by Hubbell, and published in the Leader during the recent mayoralty campaign, charging the former with obtaining money unlawfully in connection with his canvass.

Strike Settled.

By Associated Press. Terre Haute, Ind., June 17.—The local machinists' strike was settled this afternoon through the efforts of Eugene V. Debs. The men get ten hours' pay for nine hours' work. Other points of concession were made by the men.

Weather Forecast.

Ohio—Fair Tuesday and warmer in northern part. Wednesday fair, light to fresh northwesterly winds. West Virginia—Fair and warmer Tuesday. Wednesday fair, northwesterly winds.

BRIBERY

Is the Charge Against Two Attorneys at Grand Rapids.

By Associated Press. Grand Rapids, Mich., June 17.—Attorney Thomas F. McGarry, of this city, and Henry A. Taylor, an eastern capitalist, when they arrived here today were arrested on grand jury indictments and arraigned in the Superior Court, charged with bribery and conspiracy in connection with the attempt to secure a water contract from this city by alleged unlawful means. Pleas of not guilty were ordered by the court on their standing mute and they were released on \$5000 bail each.

Railroads to Consolidate.

By Associated Press. Toledo O., June 17.—Negotiations are on for the consolidation of the Toledo and Monroe Railway Co. and the Toledo, Bowling Green and Southern Traction Co. A strip of track 13 miles long is being constructed at present to connect the line with Findlay. It is said that as soon as consolidation is effected the line will be built into Detroit from Monroe.

Crushed by Ice.

By Associated Press. St. John, N. F., June 17.—Another Fishing schooner, named "The Lady Clare," has been lost by being crushed in the ice in the strait of Belle Isle. Forty-seven persons on board were rescued.

GERMAN OFFICER

In This Country Looking up a Mysterious Gold Bar Robbery.

By Associated Press. New York, June 17.—Arthur Carl, chief of police of Bremen, Germany, arrived here a few days ago on the steamship Lahn. He is here in connection with the mysterious gold bar robbery which occurred last April aboard the Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse. Thus far but one arrest has been made, but the prisoner, Theodore Magers, bedroom steward, is believed to have been only a tool of shrewd men who planned to reap a large quantity of yellow bullion by the plundering of a treasury vault aboard. Before Magers was arrested, French Germany.

Before Magers was arrested, French detectives got information about two strange men, believed to be Americans, who had for a couple of days chartered a small sail boat, and in the draft loitered about the entrance of Chesburg Harbor. They were suspected to be in the conspiracy to steal the gold aboard the Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse and asked about the route of that vessel when it arrived from America to land the Chesburg passengers, saying they wanted to intercept the vessel and get a message from friends aboard who were bound for Germany. These men vanished before the alarm about the robbery on the steamship was raised, but they have since been traced back to the United States by way of Southampton.

MINISTER BOWEN

Receives Same Instructions as Those Supplied Minister Loomis.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., June 17.—The following changes in diplomatic posts have been announced today: Frank B. Loomis, Minister to Portugal, vice John M. Irwin, of Iowa, resigned; Herbert W. Bowden, of New York, present Minister to Persia, transferred to Caracas, succeeding Loomis as Minister to Venezuela; Lloyd C. Griscomb, of Pennsylvania, secretary of Legation at Constantinople, made minister to Persia.

The change so far as it concerns Venezuelan matters is said to have no particular political significance. Loomis goes from Caracas at his own request. It is true that the Venezuelan government expressed dissatisfaction

with Loomis in many ways, but the fact that the Minister was not removed from diplomatic service, but given another post equal in dignity and honor, is the mark of esteem of the State Department. It is also noted that Mr. Bowen the new minister to Caracas, goes to his post with instructions on the same lines as those supplied to Loomis and which formed the basis for his action. So Mr. Bowen, who is a man of great vigor, is likely to follow Loomis' footsteps in the matter of policy.

By the transfer from Venezuela to Portugal, Minister Loomis loses \$2,500 a year. He is now on leave in England. His actual rank will be the same, namely, Minister Extraordinary and Envoy Plenipotentiary.

SANITARY

Policeman Was Elected at Board of Health Meeting, Monday Evening.

The city Board of Health met last evening. Messrs. Sykes, Spies, McCall Moeser, Underwood, Fischer and Hall responded to the roll call. The special committee appointed two weeks ago to ascertain whether or not Mr. Sharp had been elected Sanitary Policeman by the ballot at that meeting, reported that he was not elected. The committee also reported that the Board could select a new Sanitary Policeman whenever it saw fit. A motion that the Board proceed to

elect a Sanitary Policeman carried. On the first ballot the vote stood: Posey, 2. Young, 2. Sharp, 3. On the second ballot the vote stood: Posey, 4. Young, 1. Sharp, 2. Mr. Posey was declared elected. The length of the Sanitary Policeman's day's work was placed at nine hours. He was ordered to make a report of each day's work.

Bunker Hill Celebrated.

By Associated Press. Buffalo, N. Y., June 17.—The anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill was fittingly observed at the Pan-American Exposition today. New England's beautiful building, built by a joint appropriation of the New England states, and shared in common by them, was dedicated.

Hawaiian Note.

By Associated Press. Honolulu, June 17.—The Senate committee in the legislature returned a report today, recommending the abolition of the entire national guard.

Pingree no Better.

By Associated Press. London, June 17.—There is continued apprehension as to ex-Governor Pingree's condition. Strongest drugs have failed to check dysentery and the only hopeful symptom is that the patient is enabled to freely partake of nourishment.

Transport Arrives.

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Cal., June 17.—The transport Pennsylvania arrived tonight from Manila with 32 officers and 810 men of the Fortieth volunteer infantry.

ENUMERATION

Of School Population Larger Than That of Last Year.

Superintendent's Report and Various Other Matters Come up Before the Board of Education.

The city Board of Education met last evening and the roll being called all members were found to be present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Meisenhelder, chairman of the Building committee, gave the minority report of the committee. He said that both the other members were against him on the proposition to increase the janitors' wages commensurate with their work.

Mr. Eyssen maintained that it was very difficult to find janitors who would be acceptable to all the teachers. The opinion has gained ground that the position was an inferior one and should be so rewarded. The present occupants were all very congenial and suited to their positions.

The two new members, Messrs. Booth and Miller, said that they desired to wait until they had examined the work done and argued that the salaries could be increased at any time.

Mr. Eyssen stated that the janitors are now compelled to ask their wives to help them with the work; that about \$300 had been saved in plumbers', carpenters' and pavers' bills since the janitors had been making the necessary repairs.

The minority report favored an increase to \$40 from \$33.33 for the ward janitors, and a raise to \$50 from \$45 for the head janitor, Mr. Whiston. The majority report recommended that the men's salaries remain as at present, namely, Janitors \$33 and head janitor \$45 per month.

Mr. Eyssen suggested a compromise. Mr. Meisenhelder declined, stating that he would vote as he had first expressed an opinion.

Mr. Booth said that the members were elected to represent the city and that they expected to get the greatest value possible for the least expenditure of money.

Mr. Booth then, as a diverting topic, interjected a report of the Building committee, which had visited the ward school buildings and wished among other improvements to recommend the following:

FULTON SCHOOL.

The basement was open, exposed and filthy. Windows and doors were needed here to remedy this condition. The rooms were all painted in dark colors, which absorbed the light, and so lighter tints were rendered necessary. The rooms must all be repainted. The water closets must also be remodeled or changed on account of the sanitary conditions.

PIKE BUILDING.

Water stands in the cellar, which should be drained graded and cemented. The desks should be revarnished and the entire room repainted, using a lighter color.

WILLARD SCHOOL.

The heating system is defective. Warm air at the top of the room, but none at the floor level, where it is most needed to dry the pupils damp clothes and feet.

The closets should be removed and different provisions made in order that sewer connections might be secured direct. Here also there exists a necessity for repainting and revarnishing.

PUTNAM BUILDING.

The cellar is a breeding place of disease and germs. The Board of Health had given notice that it must be remedied. The cellar should be filled and cemented.

The supply committee ought to purchase new desks for the teachers. In all seven, new articles of furniture are needed.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

Repainting and revarnishing besides planing old desks. The old engine house should be abandoned or repaired preferably the latter. Many repairs were thought necessary there. In Mr. Plumer's room certain alterations were necessary, while throughout the building more or less money could be expended.

MARION BUILDING.

The building has settled in places and the masonry has accordingly cracked, but not to an alarming degree. The sewer should be overhauled. The same closet trouble must here be provided for.

Eyssen thought that it would be wise to make any extensive improvements at Washington street this year, as he was in favor of remodeling the entire structure next year.

Fort building had not been visited by the committee yet.

Mr. Eyssen moved that the committee be instructed to proceed and accomplish as many of these improvements as were necessary.

Superintendent Williams reminded the Board that the three years' lease on the engine house had expired. No action was taken on the matter.

Meisenhelder moved that the minority report of the committee regarding the janitors be adopted. Mr. Hill amended that the salary of the chief be \$45 and the others \$35 per month.

The vote developed two negative notes, Meisenhelder and Eyssen.

President Curtis then called for a vote on the original motion as amended and the same two votes were cast in the negative, the others voting in the affirmative. The amended motion was then declared carried.

All the old janitors were re-employed. The only change being the transfer of Mr. Suder to Third street when Mr. Whiston is assigned to the High School.

A WARM DISCUSSION.

The resignation of Miss Mattie Weinheimer as teacher in the city schools was read.

Mr. Booth stated that Miss Weinheimer had resigned because she was discouraged upon receiving no advance in pay after 40 months' service in the Marietta schools. Of the 21 teachers some with records of from 50 to 100 months had received no additional salary. One taught nine months and received \$10 additional pay, and the same was true of others. Mr. Booth said that the report recommending the increase was prejudiced.

Mr. Hill said that the committee had no intention to discriminate.

Mr. Booth said that the report should conform to the grades of the examining board, of which the Superintendent was a member, and that instead of importing teachers, locals should be promoted.

Supt. Williams said that he had had a talk with Miss Weinheimer and regretted her resignation.

Mr. Booth moved that Miss Weinheimer be requested to withdraw her resignation and reconsider her determination. Mr. Eyssen moved to lay over. When the parliamentary tangle was unraveled the original motion as amended was passed.

The request of the post office for a room in the Third street building as a place for a civil service examination, was granted.

The pay roll had been paid by the Clerk and President before it had been allowed. Their action was confirmed.

Mr. Booth recommended that the Clerk draw an order in favor of the First National bank in the sum of \$2700 for bonds issued. Carried.

Clerk Meisenhelder's bond in the sum of \$500 with the names of J. A. Wittig and John Meisenhelder as sureties, was accepted and approved. Treasurer Geo. B. Eyssen's bond in the sum of \$50,000, and signed by J. S. Simpson G. C. Best and W. W. Mills, was likewise accepted and approved.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The average daily attendance of the public schools during the year has been 2726. There has been only one death this year as against nine last year in the schools.

The proportion of promotions this year is larger than ever. There have been 430 failures during the year.

Over 300 books were issued by the

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