

BUNKER HILL SCHOOL

District Doesn't Want Fairmount Annexed to Waterville.

Is this a declaration of war or simply an expression of opinion? The Bunker Hill school district met last night and took action regarding the attitude of the board of aldermen relative to the proposed change of Fairmount from the Bunker Hill school district to the Waterville school district...

The matter has been before the city boards for some time. When the aldermen got ready to act the matter was referred to a committee consisting of Aldermen Spain, Gallagher and Larkin, who went on the ground, talked with the people directly concerned, and made a favorable report, which was approved and thereupon the clerk was instructed to give the two school districts the fifteen days' notice required by law...

THE HIGHEST POINT.

Engineer Hering Made Measurements Some Years Ago.

To decide a dispute will you please state the highest elevation in Waterbury; also what is the storage capacity of the East Mountain reservoir? According to Rudolph Hering who prepared a report on the water question for this city in 1892, the highest points within the city and the summits of the hills just outside of the same are as follows:

In Brooklyn the elevation at South Wilson and Seymour streets is 338 feet city datum, rising to 440 city datum outside the limits. In the northern part of the city the elevation at Hill street near the city limits is about 370 feet, rising to 540 city datum beyond the same; on North Willow street the elevation near the city line is 350 feet and rises to 440 city datum beyond. In the eastern part of the city the elevation of Wolcott road rises to 275 feet near the limits and further on it is 380 feet. The summit of the hill north-east of the city is 720 feet city datum. The elevation of the highest point on Washington street in the southern part of the city is 307 feet; the highest ground of the Abriador is about 420 feet.

A BRIDE AND A CROWN

For Danish Baron Who Was Disinherited for Love of Goldie Lang.

New York, Oct. 16.—A passenger aboard the Scandinavian-American steamship C. F. Tietgen, in from Copenhagen and Christiansand, who claims the title of Baron von Holstein Rathlow, brought a young American wife with him. According to the story of the bride, who was once Goldie Lang, a member of the Castle Square opera company and the wife of a doctor in Portland, Ore., she and the baron sailed hence to Denmark, after she was freed from her first matrimonial ties, to get the consent of the baron's father, Count Hans Rathlow, to the wedding of the baron, who thought that a glimpse of the young woman would be enough to win over the count. The count was immovable, and the baron and the singer went to London and were married by an American clergyman there. The old count has cut 25.8 cents, whereby he is a trifle richer than a disinherited Briton with his shilling worth 24.3 cents. The baron says he is going to work. The baroness may sing.

A BIT OF HISTORY

Railroad Company Was Friend In Need When Waterbury Was Scourged By Fire—Lilley Wasn't.

That's a funny argument people are making in favor of George L. Lilley and against Judge A. Heaton Robertson. Men proclaim with much emphasis that they have no use for Robertson because of his connection with the Consolidated road and have decided to support Lilley, not on account of his politics, but owing to the fact that he is a Waterbury man. This sounds all right, but let us see which cares the more about Waterbury, Mr. Lilley or the railroad folks. In February, 1902, when a furious fire was raging in the heart of the city and buildings were being destroyed at the rate of half a dozen or more an hour, the authorities realized that unless the local fire fighting force was reinforced from abroad the town was doomed, and an appeal for aid was sent out to the principal cities of the state. This was about midnight, but notwithstanding this in almost less time than it takes to tell it every railroad approach to Waterbury all the way from Winsted to Bridgeport was opened up and engines came thundering up and down the valley, all headed for Waterbury, and bringing men and apparatus to help out. What they did is a matter of record. They saved the town from being reduced to ashes. During the great battle with the fire fiend men were kept on duty all day and night so that it was necessary to have refreshments nearby. Sandwiches were purchased from George Lilley's firm and coffee was put up by Tom Kelly and others. After the fire had been extinguished, the debris cleaned up and the officials commenced to count the cost, the biggest item they saw was for railroad service. This it was thought would be so high that even those somewhat familiar with railroad work didn't care to make an estimate. Well, to make a long story short, they kept on guessing until finally Edward G. Kilduff, who was then mayor, received a communication from the railroad people stating that no charge would be made for service rendered to Waterbury on the night of the fire. The communication was received and ordered on file and a vote passed instructing M. J. Ryan, city clerk, to convey to the railroad officials the thanks of the city for their most gracious and valuable service. But what about the other things? How about the Lilley sandwiches? The bill was rendered in the usual way and the fact that the sandwiches were distributed to the men while on duty at the fire cut no figure in the thing one way or the other. On that occasion nearly everybody did something to help the firemen to keep on their feet until the fire was under control and asked nothing for their service, so that at the time when Waterbury was almost down and out, so to speak, the railroad company stepped into the breach and rendered, gratuitously, a service in mind, the very best service at its disposal. What did Mr. Lilley do? This is no "black hand" bluff. It is a matter of public record, and it is mentioned now simply to show those who can't vote for Robertson because of their contempt for the railroad that probably were it not for the prompt response of this same road when the town was enveloped in flames, they would not be here at this time to cast their ballots one way or the other.

CITY NEWS.

Comfort and dress both in a "Simplex" shirt, \$1.50, at Upton, Singleton & Co's.

There was no session of the public schools to-day as the teachers were attending the annual convention in New Haven and Hartford.

At a meeting of St. Joseph's T. A. society held on Wednesday evening, October 14 it was voted to draw up a set of resolutions on the death of the Right Rev. Michael Tierney, D. D. Bishop of Hartford. A committee consisting of Father Martin, John J. McDonald and James F. Dolan have drawn up a set of resolutions which will be adopted at the next meeting.

Bernard A. Ditch, a New York detective, came to this city last evening to take back there Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter, colored, who was arrested here Wednesday evening as she is wanted for grand larceny. Four others with whom she worked have been arrested in New York. They are George Graham, Robert Tucker, William Allston and Marcellus Tucker. It seems the quintet looted several New York houses and have disposed of the greater part of the property. The woman was taken back to New York to-day.

A very enjoyable farewell party was given last evening at the home of Miss Sadie E. Barrett of 26 Walnut street in honor of Miss Irene Hyland who left to-day for Jersey City, N. J., where she intends to make her permanent home. Among those present were the Misses Irene Hyland, Anna Storm, Grace Lee, Helena Casey, Lillian Quinlin, Helen McAuliffe, Katherine McKenney, B. O'Brien and the Messrs Charles Bergin, Joseph Hackett, James McGrath, William Buckley, John Phelan, Earnest Bauby and Louis Hayes.

A pretty church wedding took place at 9 o'clock yesterday morning at the German Lutheran church, when Ida C. Ekstrom and John R. Mair were united in marriage. The bride wore a handsome traveling costume of mauve broadcloth with hat to match and carried a white prayer book. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome watch and chatelaine with diamond settings. She was also the recipient of many pretty gifts, including several pieces of cut glass and silver. They left immediately for a wedding trip which will include New York, Philadelphia and Atlantic City. They will be at home to their friends at 29 Park avenue after December 1. The groom for several years past has been district manager here for the National Casualty Insurance Co., with offices in the Jones & Morgan building.

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PAVING STREETS.

City of Buffalo Has Its Own Asphalt Repair Plant.

Buffalo, N. Y., has gone a step ahead of Waterbury in the matter of doing its own work. For some time past Mayor Adams has been of the opinion that the city would save money by purchasing asphalt and laying it at its own expense. His recent trip to Toronto, Canada, gained him some ideas on this point, and some time ago he conveyed the information to the board of aldermen in a message. Commissioner P. G. Ward of the board of public works has now been directed by the committee on finance to prepare plans and specifications for the construction and equipment of an asphalt repair plant. Counsel Desbecker has been directed to make a charter amendment, providing that the repaving be a general fund expense, giving the city the option of issuing bonds for five years for such work.

This is something that has been talked of in Waterbury for years, but it is hard to convince the public that it would pay, notwithstanding that it has been demonstrated that the city is putting out large sums for permanent street paving when better or to say the least as good service could be had at greatly reduced cost by having the work done by the day. For example, Waterbury buys tar for \$2 a barrel, while others have to pay twice that for what they use. The same thing is true of all other kinds of material, so that in sticking to the contract system the people are playing a losing game, and as a consequence owners of tenement property storekeepers and others suffer, to say nothing of those who work to get out of door labor as a means of earning a livelihood. The town improvement clubs and other organized bodies should take up this subject during the winter seasons and invite the merchants of the city to talk it over with them. It is a practical question and the more people pry into it the better it looks.

BACK TO KNEE PANTS.

Football Enthusiasts Take a Slap at the School Board.

Pueblo, Col., Oct. 16.—Central high school resembled a kindergarten yesterday when the pupils, to show their contempt and ridicule for the orders of the school board that the school shall not have a football team, came to school dressed as little children and bringing toys. Large boys in short trousers, shirtwaists and big bow ties, carried tops and marbles and the girls, with their hair in pig tails, adorned with big ribbons, nursed dolls and Teddy Bears, and played with jacks.

Immediately upon the assembling of school the boys commenced spinning tops and rolling marbles across the floor. Efforts to restore order were unavailing, and the senior and junior classes, among which were the chief offenders, were dismissed. The pupils gathered outside the wings of the study hall and kept the school in an uproar by loud yells of defiance. Principal H. M. Barrett finally made a talk to the pupils, and they agreed to return to the school and behave. Members of the school board say that they will remain firm in their decision against football.

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