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WASHINGTON.

FORTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The following bills, resolutions, etc., were introduced and referred: By Mr. Wilshire of Arkansas, donating the public lands in that State, for the support of the public schools and to the establishment of a State university; referred to the Committee of Education and Labor.

By Mr. Hemons, also a bill for the repeal of the tax on leaf tobacco; referred to the committee on ways and means. Also, a bill repealing section 2303 of the revised statutes making restrictions on the disposal of public lands in the States of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Florida; referred to the committee on public lands. Also, a resolution calling on the Attorney General for information as to the number of prisoners held by the U. S. in several States prisons and cost of maintaining the same passed.

By Mr. Conger, of Michigan, a bill for the better protection of emigrants and to prevent the importation of criminals, referred to the committee on commerce.

By Mr. Durant, of Michigan, a bill to enable soldiers and sailors of the U. S. to obtain homesteads on public lands; referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Oliver, Ia., a bill to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Missouri river at Junction City, Iowa, referred to the committee on commerce.

Also a bill to abolish capital punishment; referred to the Judiciary Committee. Also a bill providing that all pensions granted on account of death wounds since March, 1861, or to be hereafter granted, shall commence from date of death or contraction of disability. Also a bill granting pensions to soldiers of the Mexican war; referred to the same.

By Mr. Southard of California, a bill to improve the navigation of Aramento river, referred to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. Page of California, a resolution declaring that the right to select a resident of the United States must be exercised under the constitutional limitations and restrictions only, and that it is not proper for the House of Representatives to pass any resolution intended to restrict or control the public will on a question of so much importance, the House refused to second the demand for the previous question and passed the resolution.

By Mr. Wigginton, of California, a bill to relinquish the title of the United States to certain lands in the city of San Francisco; referred to committee on public lands. Mr. Cronse, of Nebraska, presented the credentials of Patrick Hawes as an additional representative from Nebraska; referred to the Judiciary Committee to report at any time, by Mr. Patterson of California making an appropriation to pay the expenses of the Constitutional Convention of Colorado Territory, referred to the Appropriation Committee. Also a resolution to amend the rules so as to permit the Speaker to appoint a delegate from the Territories on each of the following Committees: On mines and mining, Indian affairs, public lands and post offices, with the same limitation and restrictions as delegates have upon the floor; referred to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. Keddor of Dakota, a bill to establish the territory of Pembina and provide a government for the same; referred to the Committee on Territories.

By Mr. Stevens of Arizona, a bill to improve the navigation of Colorado river; referred to Commerce Committee.

By Mr. Harrison of Illinois, a bill to authorize the placing of the medical staff of the army on the same footing as other staff officers; referred to the Military Committee.

On motion of Mr. Holman it was ordered that when the House meet on Monday no business should be transacted except the presentation of the communication from the "Speaker's" desk. Mr. Cox, of New York, offered a resolution that the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, when appointed, inquire into and report upon the expediency and justice of giving to the German Empire the notice required by the Fifth Article of the treaty with the North German Empire, signed February 23d, 1868, was the termination of said treaty or so much thereof and the protocol of June 12th, 1871, as relates to citizens of the United States their renunciation of naturalization, and their political condition in Germany under said treaty as practical; referred to Committee on Foreign Affairs.

The House then at 2:15 p. m. adjourned.

The Weather To-Day.
For Lower Lakes Middle and Eastern States stationary or rising barometer, stationary or lower temperatures. Northwest winds and clear weather with occasional snow.

A Piano a Necessary Expense.
Under the statutes of Iowa the private property of husband or wife is liable for expenses of the family. In 1873 Mr. E. E. Felt, of that State, purchased a piano, for which he paid a part in cash and gave his note for the balance. Suit was brought on the note against his wife, and attachment asked against her separate property. The petition set up that the piano was purchased for the use of the family, and was so used, which was admitted by the wife, yet she averred that she had no part in the transaction, and did not know that credit was obtained by her husband until several months afterward. Judgment was rendered against her, in Black Hawk District Court on the note. The case was appealed, and the Supreme Court has just affirmed the court below, and says the statute does not limit the liability of the property of a wife to expenses for the necessary family expenses. It applies without limit or qualification as to kind or amount. What is a necessary expense depends very much upon the wealth, habits, and social position of a party. What is a family expense depends upon none of these. If a cook stove comes within the statute, so must wardrobes, but within the statute, as they are articles of convenience and use. So also sewing-machines, as they aid and facilitate in the discharge of household duties. Shall a musical instrument which increases social enjoyment be excluded? The only criterion furnished by the statute was the expenditure of a family expense. The piano comes within the statute, and is chargeable upon the property of the wife.

MINOR DISPATCHES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—District Attorney Phelps thinks the stay of proceedings granted to John Dolan, murderer, by Judge Donohue is illegal.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Hon. Charles B. Farwell says there has been a misunderstanding growing out of his letter. He and Senator Logan it should be understood desired to have Bluford Wilson removed, while District Attorney for Southern Illinois, and not since he has been Solicitor of the Treasury. The reason was Mr. Wilson had thought to defeat Logan's election to the Senate.

MONTREAL, CANADA, Dec. 17.—1000 destitute men came down to the City Hall this a. m., and demanded in peremptory language work or bread. Before the police could interfere they had charged on the bread wagon and cleared it out as well as a coffee stall. The Chairman of the police made an address, urging them to go home and remain quiet until to-morrow. They eventually marched off shouting "work or bread." They are now parading the streets. Riot is now feared. A meeting of the Council will be held this afternoon.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Members of the New-Hampshire State Board of Agriculture held a meeting at Claremont yesterday. They have held sessions in sixteen towns, and delivered lectures before large audiences on important agricultural topics.

Miss Annie Winslow, a member of the Boston Theatre company, for the past eight or nine years, and previously connected with the Boston Museum in a subordinate capacity, died on Monday morning at her residence, in Boston.

Mrs. Adeline Negus, widow of a son of the late Dr. Negus, of Webster, Mass., committed suicide in Providence, R. I., yesterday morning, by cutting her throat. She had been insane, and arrangements were making for removing her to the insane asylum.

Some months ago Auditor Clinton, of New Orleans, tendered his resignation, to take effect to-day, but he will continue to discharge the duties of Auditor for a few days longer. Gov. Kellogg not having appointed his successor, who Clinton's successor will be is not known.

Waldo Stevens, for several years a teamster for Lucius W. Pond, the bankrupt, now on his way to Worcester, Mass., from San Francisco, on a requisition of Gov. Weston, for numerous forgeries, hung himself to a tree on the hillside, near the Normal School, in the eastern suburbs of the City, yesterday afternoon. His neck was broken.

A noticeable event in the Ontario Legislature Tuesday night was the presentation of a large number of petitions signed by women in favor of measures for further restriction of the liquor traffic. The petitions asked that liquor licenses be limited to one for every 1,000 inhabitants, saloons be abolished altogether, and no shop licenses granted for the sale of liquors where other goods are sold. The petition from Toronto was signed by 8,220 women.

Three colored soldiers were tried at Brownsville, Texas, on Tuesday, on the charge of the murder of a Mexican at Sallio Ranch in January last. The prosecution failed to produce proof and the jury returned a verdict of not guilty without leaving the box. Lieut. French, United States Army, was tried on the charge of burglary with a similar result. Gen. Hatch is in Brownsville, but his trial will not be had until the next term. It is stated that public opinion has changed, and the military are not blamed in the matter.

SMYRNA AND VICINITY.

The Smyrna Times has the following: Georgetown is developing evidences of growth—fifteen new houses are in process of erection there.

Smyrna's ideas of fairness are shocked because sausage is three cents a pound more there than in Wilmington.

Smyrna had a pound party last evening at which everybody who attended contributed a pound of some article.

Hon. N. B. Smithers has consented to deliver a lecture before the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, of this town, shortly.

The Bethel M. E. Sunday School, Smyrna circuit, will give an anniversary entertainment, consisting of Tableaux, Songs, Declarations, &c., on Thursday, 23, in the church.

Reece Jones, a well known colored man of Smyrna, was badly cut on Monday last, with a razor, in the hands of William T. Bartlett, another negro, who was committed to jail at Dover. Officer Statton hitched up to take him to jail, and while the officer was getting into the carriage, Bartlett jumped out over his wife's head. A lively chase was then witnessed in the streets—the prisoner, with arms tied, doing his level best; officers Statton and Smith after him, calling to him to stop, and the darkey's wife in the rear screaming "run, home, run." He made his escape, and officer Statton was spared a cold ride to Dover, and still he ain't happy.

Y. P. C. ASSOCIATION.

A PLEASANT ENTERTAINMENT.
Last evening the Sixth Monthly and Literary Entertainment of the Y. P. C. A. took place in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church, Tenth and Market Sts. The room was comfortably filled by the friends of the Association, who were highly entertained by an unexceptionable rendering of the following programme:

Chorus—Welcome, by a class; Prayer; Solo—"Under the Daisies," Maggie Hayes; Roll Call—Reading—"The new bonnet," Mary Otto; Duet—"Never from Thee will we stray," Eva Genn and Mary Taggart; Recitation of ten minutes; Orations—"Importance of Mental Culture," Mr. John McLeod; Trio—"Mental Culture," Mr. John McLeod; Armstrong, Richard Meany, Geo. Tweedy; Essay, Emma Chandler; Duo—"Whispering Hope," Maggie Hayes and Lizzie Irving Hope; Chorus—"What Shall the Harvest be," by a class.

Columbus discovered America, but when a boy he had as much difficulty in seeing an empty wood-box or water-pail as any other boy.

JUSTICES COURT.

Before Esquire Frazer yesterday evening Mary Willey was given a hearing, charged with using threatening language and disorderly conduct. The charges having been sustained, she, after paying the costs of case, was discharged.

POLICE MATTERS.

Last evening George McDonald was given a hearing before his Honor Mayor Whiteley, on the charge of disorderly conduct. He was held in the sum of \$200 to keep the peace.

Every available space allotted to the tramps was taken up last evening, there being nearly fifty lodgers.

WALKING EXTRAORDINARY.

A WILMINGTONIAN WALKS OVER FORTY THREE THOUSAND MILES.

Milton S. Barlow has been a letter-carrier in this City for fourteen years, during which time he has walked over forty-three thousand miles. Mr. Barlow averages at least ten miles a day, and makes his rounds with the regularity of clock-work. Careful, punctual, polite, and obliging, he is certainly a model letter-carrier, and being hale and hearty, he seems to-day equal to a repetition of the wonderful task that he has already accomplished.

MINOR LOCALS.

The Major Reynolds, of the Salem Line, has been hauled on the marine railway of Posey, Jones & Co., for the purpose of undergoing repairs.

The steamer "City of Limerick" passed in at Lewes Thursday morning. The steamship "Indiana" passed out yesterday morning.

The Friendship Fire Company, No. 1, will give a Centennial Anniversary in the Masonic Hall on the evening of December 22nd, 1875.

At the 28th monthly meeting of the Clayton Loan Association, held last evening, \$200 sold at \$1.35 per share, per month, and \$150 and \$130 per share.

A meeting of the Board of managers of Y. M. C. A. will be held at the Association's rooms, 6th and Shipley streets, this evening at 8 o'clock.

An annual meeting of the Farmers' Association of New Castle County will be held on Saturday evening, Jan. 1st, in the Telegraph office, 3rd and Market streets.

The liquor store of Mrs. Mary McCann, situated on Front street, near Washington, was broken open on Thursday evening last, and there was stolen a quantity of liquor, valued at \$100.

Feaster and Brothers, ship riggers, of this city, have been awarded the contract for rigging a new steamer of Philadelphia, and the work will be done in that city. The contract was received from Wood, Dialogue & Co., yesterday, which makes the second one they have awarded to Feaster and Bro.

The United States District Court opened yesterday morning, Judge Bradford on the bench. The case of William Richman, in bankruptcy was called up; nothing, however, was done, as the assignees had not presented his accounts. The case was ordered to be laid over till Friday next. There being no other business, on motion the court adjourned.

Yesterday afternoon, while Mr. Sisler of the firm of Harvey & Sisler, wholesale grocers, of this city, was engaged in lowering about six hundred weight of merchandise on the elevator, from one of the upper floors of the building to the lower one, his left arm became caught in the elevator, so that the whole weight of the goods fell upon it, tearing and bruising the flesh in a painful manner. Mr. Sisler had the lacerated member dressed and it is now doing well.

One of the most nutritious articles in use is oat meal. It is daily becoming more and more used in this, not only for invalids and children but grown people. Smith & Breen, Fourth and Shipley streets, are regularly receiving a somewhat new brand from Akron, Ohio.

There are three different grades: fine, medium and coarse; the latter being just cracked oats. All the Akron meal sold in this way than any other meal sold here. The above firm is selling the coarse meal at the rate of four pounds for twenty-five cents.

Inquiry was made at the Depot yesterday morning by Mrs. M. A. Borlen, for a woman who has been accused of swindling. Mrs. B. stated that a young woman recently applied at her house for board, saying that she was a weaver and had obtained work in a mill. The woman was accommodated, but yesterday morning she left her boarding house, taking with her some of Mrs. Borlen's clothes—borrowed them. The woman is described as being tall, pock-marked, having blue eyes and sandy hair; and she further stated that she was a resident of Newark. This is supposed to be the same party who played that little game on Mr. McIlwain, a few days ago.

JEWELRY FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Any of our readers who wish to make their friends a nobby, handsome present on Christmas, should examine the stock of C. F. Rudolph, 231 Market street. He has just received an elegant assortment of goods in his line, and has marked them down so low that they are within the reach of all. Among them are a lot of bronze figures very beautiful and suitable for mantel ornaments. His stock of silver and plated ware are so extensive and so well selected that we are satisfied is not surpassed in this city, while his glass cases, sets of jewelry, gold and silver watches, sets of jewelry, zircon rings, solid gold rings, solid and plated knives and spoons, some of the hand-plated bracelets we have ever seen, opera chains, and in fact everything in his line. Among other articles we noticed a solid silver tea set in an elegantly lined box, the whole costing \$500.

The second story Mr. R., was devoted to oil paintings. He certainly has a very fine collection, and many of our readers would no doubt appreciate one of them for a gift as much as some of the more gaudy articles on the first floor.

"If you will only wait awhile," he said, "Yes, I've been waiting this long time," he said, "and if you don't come to a point pretty soon, I'll take that other fellow, whose hanging around." He saw the point.

GRANT TURNS HIS BACK ON WILMINGTON.

The Centennial Inspecting Party.

PASSAGE OF THE PARTY THROUGH WILMINGTON LAST EVENING—TWO HUNDRED PEOPLE AT THE DEPOT—GRANT FINDS MORE IN HIS CIGAR THAN IN THE ALICE HEN'S CHICKENS—THE NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS AND HOW THEY WERE HALLED OFF IN PHILADELPHIA.

The National Government, in the person of its leading representatives, left Washington at 3 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, in two special trains. The first train consisted of six first-class passenger cars, in which were over one hundred representatives, about fifty newspaper correspondents, and other lesser lights of the great excursion party, in all, about three hundred.

The second train was composed of three Pullman palace cars and one Pennsylvania Railroad drawing room car. On this train were the President, members of the Cabinet, Supreme Court Judges, Senators, and a number of ladies, including the wife of the President.

The following is a list of the Honorable Senators who were on the train: John H. Mitchell, Oregon; John J. Patterson, S. C.; Theodore F. Randolph, N. J.; Thomas J. Robertson, S. C.; Wm. A. Wallace, Pa.; Wm. Windom, Minn.; George G. Wright, Ia.; Wm. B. Allison, Ia.; Lewis V. Boggs, Mo.; George S. Boutwell, Mass.; Branch K. Bruce, Miss.; A. E. Burnside, R. I.; Simon Cameron, Pa.; August Cameron, Wis.; J. C. Christiansen, Mich.; Powell Clayton, Ark.; Henry G. Davis, W. Va.; Henry L. Dawes, Mass.; Thomas W. Ferry, Mich.; F. T. Frelinghuysen, N. J.; James M. Harvey, Kan.; F. W. Hitchcock, Neb.

The first train arrived in Wilmington at 7 o'clock, and made a brief stoppage, while some of the hungry Congressmen rushed pell mell into the depot restaurant, for something with which to satisfy their appetites which were doubtless somewhat sharpened by the long ride. With hungry avidity they crowded around the lunch counter, and grasped sandwiches and cakes as eagerly as though they were huge subsidies or Credit Mobilier stocks. The curious crowd of depot loungers, who with the others collected around the lunch counter, and gazed at the national lawmakers, some being evidently surprised to find that Congressmen were considerably like other men, and ate their grub with the relish of a Water street loafer at the Holly Tree Inn.

Curiously enough none of the occupants of the first train seemed to be thirsty, and nothing stronger than coffee was sought for at the depot. "Crooked whisky" was not even mentioned, and the contents of the water coolers on the cars were left to wild conjecture.

As the train moved off the second train drew up to the depot, and the crowd, which had been on the qui vive of excitement to see the President, surged up against the cars to catch a glimpse of that distinguished individual. The President occupied a compartment in the rear car, where he sat calmly smoking a cigar, and occasionally glanced at the crowd outside. He did not leave his seat, or even raise his window, which was doubtless owing to the fact that no calls were made for his appearance. In fact, the only demonstrations were excited cries of "Where is he?" "There he is." "Don't you see him settin' at that window?" And amid all the confusion the silent man sat puffing his cigar, sadly contemplating Springfield's anti-third-term resolution, and the ignominious manner in which Blaine dodged the vote on its passage.

A number of the passengers on the train stepped into the depot restaurant, and among the number was Hon. Samuel J. Randall, of Philadelphia, who was warmly greeted by several of his Wilmington friends.

After a stop of about five minutes the train started for Philadelphia, without even a yell or a cheer to give eclat to its departure.

Previous to the arrival of the Washington train, a committee of Philadelphia journalists came down to Wilmington, for the purpose of escorting newspaper men of Washington to the Centennial city. The committee consisted of the following: C. Cathcart Taylor, City Editor; J. Horace Thorp, legal reporter, and Louis N. McGeorge, reporter of the Times; Joseph H. Paley, Building Association Journal; H. A. Mullen, American Press Association; W. H. Smith, Evening Star; Wm. Drysdale, Times; Robt. M. McWade, Press; and Leland Williamson, Evening Bulletin.

Upon arriving in Philadelphia, shortly after 8 o'clock, the Washington journalists were escorted by this committee to a hotel, for washing purposes, and at 10 o'clock, they were given a supper at Saunders's, a famous dining saloon of the Quaker City. C. Cathcart Taylor, gracefully presided on the part of the hosts.

Wm. V. McKean, of the Ledger; Col. A. K. McClure, of the Times; Wilberforce W. Nevins, of the Press; and several other of the managing editors of the Philadelphia papers, were present at the supper, short speeches were made, and a generally good time was had.

The reception of the visitors in Philadelphia, to-day, will include a visit to the Centennial grounds and buildings, and a grand banquet in Horticultural Hall. This will occupy the greater part of the day and most of the excursionists will return to Washington on a special train, which will leave the grounds at 6 o'clock in the evening.

While in the city, the President will be the guest of Mr. George W. Childs; Postmaster-General Jewell will be entertained by Colonel William McMichael; Hon. Geo. M. Robeson, Secretary of the Navy, and Hon. Edwards Pierpont, Attorney-General, will stay with Mr. Adolphe E. Borie; and Justices Strong and Bradley, of the Supreme Court, will be the guests of Hon. Thomas H. Dudley, of Camden. The other visitors are quartered at the Girard and Continental Hotels.

RELIGIOUS.

Preaching in the First Presbyterian church Market Street above 9th, to-morrow by the Pastor, Rev. F. B. Du Val.

Morning service, 10½ o'clock, subject, "Thy will be done as it is in Heaven," being the fourth sermon of the series on the Lord's Prayer—Evening service 7¼ o'clock—subject, "who so keepeth his mouth and his tongue, keepeth his soul from troubles." Prov. XXI-23.

The public are cordially invited.

SAD GUNNING ACCIDENT.

Howard L. Guy, formerly one of the firm of Pedrick, Green & Co., of this city, but now a resident on his farm, near Claymont, while preparing for a gunning expedition on Thursday at noon, was, perhaps, fatally wounded. Mr. Guy, in company with a neighbor, William C. Lodge, had driven down to the river for the purpose of shooting ducks; they had reached the shore, and alighted from the vehicle, when Mr. G. going to the rear of the wagon, drew his gun from it, a heavy fowling piece, which had been previously loaded, in doing so the charge exploded, and the muzzle of the gun being turned towards him, its entire contents taking effect in his right arm pit, and carried away from his arm and side, in the locality of the wound, all the flesh, as clearly as though it had been done with a knife. The main artery was also cut and a portion of it carried away. Dr. Maul, of this city, was immediately notified of the occurrence, and went at once to Claymont, where he was joined by Dr. Cardeza, and a surgeon from Chester. They found Mr. Guy still lying upon the ground where he had fallen, his friends having been afraid to move him. It was first thought by the physicians that it would be necessary to amputate the arm, and Dr. Maul's instruments were sent for the purpose; but the amputation, however, was not performed, as the Doctors finally concluded it would cause almost immediate death. There were some hopes on Thursday, if the arm could be saved and circulation restored, that Mr. Guy would recover. A consultation of his attending physicians was held yesterday at noon, and they had no hopes of his living till to-day. He has been removed to his own home, where everything will be done to prolong life. Last evening he was in a critical condition, and delirious.

AMUSEMENTS.

DR. VILLERS, THE FUNNY BELLOW.

On Monday evening, Dec. 20th, the above named gentleman will deliver his funny lecture in the Grand Opera House, entitled: "Humorists of the Past and Present." The Dr. already enjoys a fine reputation as an humorous lecturer, and should be greeted with an overflowing house. His powers of mimicry are truly wonderful, while as a ventriloquist, he is said by all who have heard the originals. It is to be hoped that our citizens will turn out in full force. The following are but a very few of the many complimentary notices the Dr. has received:

To change the identity of character was but a second's work with the Doctor, a movement of the muscles of the face, a new character was at once presented to convulse his audience, with laughter.—Wilmington, Ohio Times.

Dr. Villers is one of the most amusing lecturers in the field to-day, and his audience are convulsed with laughter during the time he occupies the rostrum.—Herald, Mich. Journal.

The greater part of the time the audience was kept in a roar at the successful and happy imitations of popular men.—Indianapolis, Indiana Journal.

Reserved seats can now be obtained at Boughman, Thomas & Co's, 521 Market street. Call immediately and secure good seats, while you have an opportunity.

MISS RENA ON CHRISTMAS.

Mr. J. T. Donnelly, manager for Miss Rena, announces elsewhere that she will appear in the Opera House in this City on Christmas evening, in the character of "Cush." She is highly spoken of by the papers in cities where she has appeared.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

A Wilmington man told his girl yesterday that the man they had just passed was the bass in the choir. "I have heard of him," she said, "he is the bass fellow who flirts with us girls, and all the time he is a married man."

Church was just letting out last Sunday, and as he stood there expecting his girl, a friend approached, and after he had given him the compliments of the day, suddenly reached out his paw, and asked for "a chew of tobacco."

And when a Wilmington woman came home from shopping yesterday and found that the coffee had not been put on by her husband to boil, she said not a word, but simply reached down a flat iron, and he knelt in the corner and said his prayers.

It is very seldom that a Wilmington woman strikes the right strap in a street car. Yesterday a woman on car No. 2 pulled upon the strap that is intended for people to hold on by and wondered why in the name of goodness it was that the stupid driver did not stop.

A Wilmington man was stopped in the street yesterday by his pastor, who offered him religious consolation. "You must ponder, or rather reflect," said the preacher. "No sir," said the man, "Mr. Reflect is out of the question altogether, if I vote for anybody for the next Governor it shall be Pender."

Do not ask a Wilmington girl what she will take for a Christmas gift. It will not be a pull back, nor will it be a water fall, but she will throw her head back, and as you view the three teeth out in the back of her mouth, she says "nothing short of a pair of striped stockings or a silk skirt will be the cheese with me."

A young lady who went down to the train last evening to see the President pass through, wished to know if the President was in a crooked humor and would not come out to see the people because he had been smoking crooked cigars and had been drinking crooked whisky. He crooked his arm, which she took and they walked off.

"Oh," she said, yesterday on Market street, "Well, what are you oh-ing about," said he. "I am owing this next story," he came to twenty-five cents for a hair brush," she said, "and if you do not pay it you will find forty cinders in the hair to-morrow morning to crack that sore tooth of yours upon."

A new fashion in the hinter part of the new fashioned street car and he was not a Wilmington man either, and he merely went around with his hand extended, and everybody gave him seven cents thinking he was the conductor. But when they came to motion him to stop the car he got annoyed. One old lady said he was a good for nothing brute that did not know his business and she would hear no excuse, but declared she would report him to the company.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

TO MANY TAXPAYERS.

EDITOR OF THE MORNING HERALD:—Permit me to say that "Taxpayer" and "Many Taxpayers" are in error about the time for which the teachers in the public schools of this city are paid. They are paid for only eleven school months of four weeks each, in a year. For several years they have received no pay for eight weeks of the summer vacation. If these statements are doubted, an examination of the pay rolls will show the facts to be as stated.

Another statement made unwittingly by "Many Taxpayers" is this: "They (the teachers) also work five days in the week, and but six hours in the day." Few can teach well without daily special preparation. A teacher's knowledge must be kept in constant repair. It is the duty of every teacher to be student. While school is in session, the teacher's attention should be given entirely to the pupils. In order that this may be done, a large amount of routine work must be done outside of school hours. The care of the text books, the writing up of the school records, the examination of the exercises written by the pupils, and the preparation of written questions and black-board work, constitute part of this routine work.

Those who even by implication sanction the idea that a teacher's work can be done during the hours that the schools are required to be kept open, are helping to hurt incalculable harm to the schools.

TEACHER.

ANOTHER TEACHER SPEAKS.

EDITOR MORNING HERALD:—In your issue of yesterday I read a communication, signed: "Many Taxpayers," in answer to a letter published on Thursday last from "Taxpayer," regretting that that writer had not gone a little further and stated to the good people of Wilmington how their money is expended. This is right, Mr. Editor; how honestly, consistency, and fairness is always lauded will perhaps never be fully appreciated. But still I wish to make a few remarks in answer to "Many Taxpayers," who he expressly states that the money of the people goes to the support of the Public Schools. Where else would the writer have it go? Does he want a lamp at his front gate? Has he petitioned to Council for one and been refused? I think not; there is no such instance on record in the action of City Council. Then goes on to say that it is the wish of many of the Board of Education to have teachers teach but five hours a day. That assertion is partly true and partly false. Having read the proceedings of the School Board, I would respectfully inform "Many Taxpayers," that during the short days only, was the school sessions to be limited to five hours.

Yet, even if such was to become a permanent law, five hours a day would be a plenty to confine a growing child to a close room, besides the majority of those who attend the public schools are expected to prepare their lessons at home so as to be ready to render a perfect recitation when they arrive at school. None of our Academies have longer than a five hours session, and if "Many Taxpayer," was not like a large class of people whom I have frequently heard exclaim: "I'll be glad when my children are old enough to go to school," he could perhaps take some pleasure in having them at home, and not suppose it the teachers' duty both to train the mind and body of the child.

The writer alluded to, in speaking of the proposed shorter session, says: "Some of our members are in favor of reducing the time of labor, but no reduction of salary." What! would the gentlemen deduct from a salary that does not, in most instances, exceed \$35 per month. Let him, just for a little while, in his imagination, be a teacher, working month after month for the above stipend. How would he feel? Would he not think that the State of Delaware was the meanest he had ever heard of. Just think of it! Thirty-five dollars a month for a teacher in a public school in a large city, which has already begun to boast of its excellent system of education. Well, the system may be boasting of, but hardly the salary that system pays.

"Many Tax-Payers," proceeds to speak of the mismanagement of the people's money. When he did so, why didn't he say something about the Pay Roll of the Cool Spring Reservoir? Was that money that could not be accounted for paid out by the Board of Education? Did any of the poor men who worked at the new Basin get it? Space forbids the writer of this to say more at present, except in conclusion to request "Many Taxpayers," when they want to speak of mismanagement, look over the proceedings of Council as well as those of the School Board.

ANOTHER TEACHER.

FROM A TAXPAYER.

EDITOR MORNING HERALD:—In reply to the communication of Teacher, in your issue of yesterday, the writer would say that as regards oppressing the poor, there was no intention of so doing. But as there are a great many in this city who are not school teachers, and possibly just as worthy, (and as good as good an education,) who would gladly accept a situation at the salary, less the deduction alluded to, who cannot get the position, that "Teacher" must not be so vain as to think the world would not move on just the same if they were not teaching, and as there are various other ways of earning a livelihood and no law in the State compelling one to teach school that we know of. They, of course, would be at liberty to resign if the suggestion should be acted upon by the Board of Education.

TAX PAYER.

TOO MUCH LIGHT.

EDITOR OF HERALD:—Twenty-three nights of each month the City lamps are lighted. Lamp lighters are only required to light the lamps when the moon is not up. Why is it that the City's money must be so wasted? Let some one in authority see to the matter; burn less gas, and give more money to the Board of Education.

LUNA LUX.

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