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#### THE SCHOOL BOARD.

In discussing through the columns of the Teachers' Journal the organization of the board of education, Mr. fer home consumption. Hackett of the Hillhouse High school, says some things of importance and some things of no importance at all, sequence of tackling the subject at all. of the greatest moment in discussing particular view, which springs from one's disappointment in the conduct of ately the school organization of New Haven is old enough and has passed ceivable importance. through a sufficient number of practical experiences to make a final judgment more or less conclusive.

Manifestly no one can dissent from Mr. Hackett's contention that only school board who are in the freeze empty tradition that New Haven peosympathy with the objects and aims of the school system. While that is an axiomatic contention, it is suggestive in its relation to the next confar as possible the school commis- learn the important news of the outside either come into daily contact with the results and problems of the system, or who are at the present time a parent on school matters. What he shipped, with the same opportunities, most affectionate study of the child. and this is so true in its bearing upon the proposal to select commissioners so far as possible, from among parents, that one turns naturally to the ers. Childless women are not the telyou, the present secretary of the

advantage of having each grammar ascendancy, that it feels that it can betting, the gratitude that the state school district represented upon the nominate any old thing for the second should feel for Senator Foelker, who board with two commissioners at large place and stand him on any old plat- really risked his life to vote in favor to represent the advanced schools. It form. It would seem as if the present organ- plete a development of the clerical in- that come at times into the political ization was sufficient, provided the stinct as this country has produced history of this country to give those greatest care is exercised by the ap- in the public employ. There his abil- who think seriously cause for optimpointing power to select men who itles stop suddenly. One will search ism and a renewed belief that at botschool needs, both with regard to the records of his life for the faintest is staunchly founded upon the basic the problem. The responsibility over the destinles of the nation, which | Still critically ill from a severe is no reason that we can see why a may be called upon to do, unless one trivial matter for Senator Foelker to particular district, provided for in the accepts as capacity a physical and leave a sick bed at Staatsburg and law, could be depended upon to fur- mental poise, which is imperturbable, journey to Albany. The trip, even acnish a more capable man than is now It is impossible that the convention companied as it was with every posfurnished by the city at large. As should overlook the hundreds of large sible convenience and comfort, refor the popular election of school men in the republican party for the sulted in a serious collapse on Wedcommissioners The Journal-Courier purpose of nominating Mr. Cortelyou nesday night. Realizing that upon has already expressed its disapproba- for vice-president, even though he the one vote of the senator the defeat tion of that plan based on long ob- may be the president's choice. The or success of the bills depended, the the old days when school commission- pressive extent the country demands at the news of his illness. But the ers were elected, the management of a powerful party of opposition. There senator was determined, and when the schools was saturated with politi- would then be a man of presidential the time for the final consideration cal intrigue. A return to that con- quality to consider not Cortelyou. dition, which would inevitably follow the revival of popular elections, would be to turn one's back upon experience. The suggestion should not be board should undertake to ride rough shod over the plain wishes of the people of the city.

Mr. Hackett's suggestion that teachers should be employed during efficient service, instead of as now from year to year, is a good one. The teachers ought not to be asked to suffer the insecurity of service which follows naturally from annual appointments. They would all do their best work if they knew that faithful and efficient service meant continumeantime the general discussion. which has been going on over school matters for the past year, will in the long run be found to have been a good thing for the schools and those on charge of them.

Young America will frown with displeasure upon the action of the Ameri-Danging in putting roller skating under bre is often worth a number of others. nick-name vesterday.

the ban and will probably say that it does not lie within the association's proper province to regulate. The official recognition of "the typical American dance," the barn dance, will doubtless young people.

#### THE NEWS OF THE DAY.

E. J. Street ..... Business Manager

The New York morning newspapers terday morning, stated that the jury in the Hitchcock case were still deliberating. The Journal-Courier told its readers that the jury had completed their deliberations and had returned verdict of not guilty for the accused York dailies, which are circulated in that city, contained the news from the court room, but as usual the issue which is printed for outside circulation went to press two hours or more before The Journal-Courier went to press

It may with truth be said that the readers would have had to look to The Morning Journal-Courier for a record would have only given disappointment. those should be appointed to the which in a few words punctures the to get the news of the night. New Haven people must read The Journaltention made by Mr. Hackett, that so Courier if they wish to be sure and world at their breakfast table, for it is The Journal-Courier which presents its finished product from the printing having that experience. There is press two and three hours after the through the Associated Press, to bur-

## AN ABSURD PROPOSAL

row into the corners of the earth

When the democrats of the country

It is getting so It would take a goodsized sheet to contain all the names of the gentlemen self-suggested or proposed by others for nomination next to that the legal discrimination, which the top of the two tickets. Are they all has legalized gambling at the race in? If so, let's begin and weed.

## BARON TAKAHIRA.

Princeton university held its 161st commencement exercises on Wednesday. At that time only four honorary degrees were conferred. Says the Bos- effectiveness of a written constitution. ton Globe, "the leading universities have quit splashing honorary degrees very basis of all government in this honorary degrees thrust upon them;

If Japan ought to hold this little man in all esteem for the faithful and efficient service he has rendered the meet with wider approval with the true that the United States can also appreciate the rare sagacity and the high order of diplomacy he has shown ias produced a number of men of fine ilizations of the Orient that needs but said to be greater than that of Japan. Oriental diplomacy at Washington may lamented Li Hung Chang. The present east, the man whom Princeton has honored stands outdone by none. His characteristic little speech at the time that all his countrymen have and that masterly and thoughtful mind that alone is capable of laying well the walking through the thorny paths of he has deserved the honor bestowed upon him. Yale may well envy Princeton's good judgment in selecting him for one

> been considered questionable. Today it negroes themselves as well as for the otism for the union, and rightly so. In as they do now, the negroes would the same way "Dixie" now gets as come to see their vote a nonentity. much applause as "John Brown's It is a good sign when the negroes

of her adopted sons.

## AN ACT OF DUTY

see that the name of George B. Cor- that at Albany yesterday, when the best judges of how to rear children, treasury, is seriously mentioned in in spite of the most determined oppoof the needs of a child's education, ination for vice-president, they must his cap. But, much as did the gov-To this extent Mr. Hackett's views are more desperately than ever regret the ernor's personality and the governor's conduct on their part which has made personal efforts dominate the fight We are not sure of the practical the party in power so sure of its against the advocates of race track of the bills, should be recognized. The

was his ballot that brought the vote up to 26 to 25 in favor of the bills. The signature of the governor is, of course, certain. The result will mean tracks for thirteen years, in spite of constitutional provisions to the contrary, will come to an end.

As the Journal-Courier said yesterday, it is not the question of the right is so much at stake as whether the one of those documents which are the

judgment. That very fact has served go, all of the negro churches for many as a sure promise of latent were crowded to the doors and the pulpit in concerted action; the opportunities of a better and broad- and when a petition with 5,000 negro r horizon to develop it. These diplo- signers, demanding certain promises rights under the republican party adds emphasis to the movement. It is inconceivable on that account to

> ent feeling of hostility against the sides. Yet for the negroes not to give campaign because of it, might per-Grant's liking for drink in his earlier mitted, would be a serious one, and where the negro votes are wanted, and to foin with the democratic party, in

take such an active interest in the exercise of their suffrage. Inertia in this regard is foreboding. They are this regard is foreboding. They are take such an active interest in the Brownsville affair.

## THE COUNTRY PASTOR.

The most suggestive statement made gins to look as if Mr. Ives catches the country pastor when he is in an amiable mood and not when he is hard

sionary purposes is ever expended in the State. These general statements

The fact about the country church is that it pays all the money it can afford to pay for its spiritual leadership under the present system or wrong of race track gambling that of supporting in a single town more around the way they used to." Such seems to be the case at Princeton at any rate. The desire of any university to have many sons-by-adoption of this kind is a legitimate and creditable are kind is a legitimate and creditable aim. Senator Foelker of Brooklyn. The properly maintained. It is idle to exif the men selected are worthy of the whole incident only shows again the pect the churches in the larger centers great need that the state of New York of population, which have their very but few universities have shown better has for Mr. Hughes and the regret pressing needs and real problems, to judgment in this regard than did that should be felt, did he persist in contribute in any sufficient amount to Princeton when conferring the degree attempting to wedge himself into na- materially relieve country necessities. of doctor of laws upon Baron Takahira, tional political circles. He has been They could do so, however, if they, too, the Japanese ambassador to the United called "The animated feather duster" were to study more carefully the discan National Association of Masters of States. One honorary son of that call- by Mr. Hearst, but he outgrew that tribution of churches and the concentration of energy. Here in the city of nice young man as a football."

New Haven the Protestant church situation is one of congestion, while thousands of dollars which could be

Church unity from this point of view means much more than appears upon can be advantageously borne, as it does

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

Was This the Reason!

(Washington Post.) The New Haven woman who is suing her husband because he made her skip the rope may be merely trying to make him skip the town.

Why Taft Is Liked.

(Chicago Record-Herald.) An English writer thinks Taft would be stronger with the people if he had made more fuss over the big things ne had done. He is mistaken. One reason why the people like Taft is to be found in the fact that he makes so little

"Neither" of Three.

(New Bedford Standard.) Massachusetts rejoices in three re publican vice presidential booms-those of Curtis Guild, jr., John Hays Hamthree may "get together" before the convention to decide which shall be the So they ought; and

(New York Sun.) Vice President Fairbanks' "Nothing, thank you," has become so habitual with him since the cocktail incident Americanism, a classic embalmed in pleasant memories and well established, we fancy, in the vernacular of Indi-ana. "The same, thank you."

(Boston Transcript.) the governor to take the initiative and request a conference of the governors of the New England states on the question of the conservation of our natural resources. One of these resolutions was to the effect that in the judgment of the board 'It is high time that the serve bill in congress at its recent ses sion justifies this view of the situation land sentiment and activity to correspond might produce results now con-spicuous by their absence.

#### The White Bell-Mare.

Across the plains I see them sweep, Against the ebbing light.
The pace they keep they still will keep
At silent noon of night:

She sets the pace-that leader fleet: The rest—they but pursue They have their fate from her swift feet.

Yet fate o'errules her, too; For 'tis the pace—the pace—the pace Controls her fleet and snowy grace!

They vanish on the glimmering plain Beneath the western verge And all our life is like that train, That heeds a vanward urge; We deem we travel as we will tis the pace controls us still!
-Edith M. Thomas in Everybody's

## SAYINGS AND DOINGS.

Bat catchers and inventors from all parts of London are eagerly competing for a prize of ten guiness and the emblazoned diploma which the Society for the Destruction of Vermin offers. This clety, of which Sir James Crienton-rowne is the president, seeks to ex-rminate the rat tribe, as well as mice, ouse files and other lively nuisances, and skins are not commerones hier and other lively nulsances, it present rat skins are not commercially profitable, and the society hopes of discover some good use for them, he theory is that once people find a rofit may be made out of dead rats, nore efforts will be made to catch bem. profit may be made out

John Ruskin proposed old age pensions more than fifty years ago. In his lectures at Manchester in 1857 on "The Political Economy of Art" he pleaded for penglons to "soldiers of the ploughshare as well as solders of the sword," and three years later he developed the plea in his "Unto This Last." The essays republished under that title originally appeared in the Cornhill Magazine, then edited by Thackeray. The novelist was a friend of Ruskin, and not a timerous person; but so loud was the outery at the appearance of such disreputable heresies in so respectable analysis that Thackeray was conreputable heresies in so respectable magazine that Thackeray was constrained to stop Ruskin's papers.

## JUST FOR FUN.

Miss Broadway—They say he married her because of her figure." Mr. Madison—Well, that was quite natural. "Ob, no. Indeed, it wasn't."-Life.

Tomdix—I supposed you witnessed Green's marriage to the widow as an innocent bystander, ch? Hojas—Hardly that Green to the widow last fall—Chicago

"Do you want employment?"
"Lady." answered Plodding Pete, "you means well, but you can't make work sound any more invitin' by usin' words of three syllables."—Washington Star.

Auctioneer—Going! Going! Gone! Here, sir, it's yours Great bargain, sir. The frame alone is worth the price. Connoisseur (ripping out the picture) The frame was what I wanted.—Pick-Me-Up.

What is that young man doing over

there?"
"Trying to attract my attention with
the handkerchief filrtation, I guess."
"Yo do not seem to be responding."
"No; I am not his laundress." How did you get along with her fa-

Only 80-80. "Only so so."
He is a very blunt and plain spoken man; always calls a spade a spade."
"I wouldn't mind that so much if he didn't go out of his way to look on a facthall."

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Noonan-Yis! An d'ye moind, she carries it as alsy as she used to th' basket av laundry befoe Casey dol'd an' lift his loife insurance money:—Judge.

Mr. Dubley-How awfully mannish

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she is.

Miss Smart—She is, indeed.

Mr. Dudley—Yes, and the funny part
of it is she thinks people admire her
for being that way. It's queer she

doesn't realize that people are
laughing at her.

Miss Smart—Well, she's mannish
to that extent.—Philadelphia Press. laughing at her. Miss Smart—Well, she's mannish even

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