

## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

BUSINESS THE DIRECTORS TRANS-

FERRED ON TUESDAY EVENING.

George Blodrook Decline to Play

in the Empty Opera House—Only Thirty-

Two Tickets Sold for the Entertainment.

Money Refunded to Those Who Paid.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE OF INTELLIGENCE.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 17.—The regular monthly meeting of the Columbia school board was held last evening in the council chamber with all the members present excepting Mr. Morris. The finance committee reported receipts during the month, \$9,411; expenditures, \$6,732; balance on hand, \$8,123.30. The repair and supply committee reported all the school buildings thoroughly cleaned, ready for the opening of the school term; new furniture has been put in rooms 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13; slate blackboards in rooms 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13; new seats put down in rear of Cherry street building; new slate blackboards placed in new galleries put down when ordered; gravel walk and pavement at the institute building cleaned; the Reynolds heater for the Fifth street school has arrived but not yet put in position; heaters in Poplar and Franklin schools have been repaired; it is recommended that a committee of three be appointed to confer with the trustees of the Old Columbia Public Ground company in reference to laying a broad walk from the chapel to the institution; committee will be named.

URBAN, FARM AND MAY. An order was granted on the sinking fund for \$4 for cancellation coupons. Orders were granted for \$12,000 for payment of bills. J. T. White &amp; Company, of Philadelphia, were permitted to board "the Georgia" and "the Georgie-Mackin" for their consideration to introduce it in the schools. After a lengthy discussion the action was deferred until next regular meeting. Superintendent G. C. Atkinson recommended to the board that it meet once each month, from nine to twelve o'clock on Saturday for institute work without additional pay, and the same to be put in the agreement of the teachers as required by law.

The recommendation was adopted.

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Burton's Georgia minstrels were advertised for a performance in the opera house last night, but at eight o'clock twenty-six gallery tickets and seven parquet tickets had been sold, amounting to \$8.88. This sum was not considered sufficient by the manager, and the performance did not come off. It was announced that money would be turned into the ticket office when a crowd soon gathered outside that place. About eighty people demanded money when only thirty-three had paid admittance. The treasurer remembered all who had paid, so he could not refund the money. A large crowd gathered in the corridor and Isaac Broome, officer at the opera house, endeavored to disperse them. Two strangers in town got into a scuffle with the officers, which resulted in one of them being slightly hurt and he was taken to the hospital when a crowd soon gathered outside that place. Considerable excitement was occasioned by the scuffle in the corridor. The manager of the show claims to have plenty of money to run the company and to have no road.

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The Fourth district conference of the Evangelical Lutheran ministerium of Pennsylvania met in St. Matthew's church, Ambridge, on Sept. 13, and the synodical sermon by Rev. Eliz. Huber was listened to by a large audience. Prior to the business session of the synod the members engaged in devotional exercises. After roll-call the lay delegates were received, one being admitted from each charge.

The presiding elder in his report referred to the progress made in them to come together once more. He reported eleven sessions to the synod during the year. Revs. A. K. Wheestons, C. Oram, Walter H. Smith, and S. Hinman were also admitted to the synod. The Ashland charge was divided into two charges at Ashland and Borden. The Lykens and Williamsport charges and the Manheim charge were also divided. The Maytown and Mt. Pleasant charges are vacant. The report calls attention to the duty of the synod to elect delegates to the general synod at Omaha and concludes with the thanks of the presiding elder for the hearty co-operation accorded him. During the session a number of clergymen were received as members of the synod from Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York and other states. At the session in the afternoon pastoral reports were submitted and discussed. The election of officers resulted in the following: President, Rev. Eliz. Huber; Vice-Pres., Dr. Albert, treasurer: Rev. J. A. Hackenberg, secretary.

Rev. Studebaker moved that the resolution making September 3 as the closing day of the fiscal year be rescinded.

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