

FAVORING FREE TEXT BOOKS.

THE BOARD GIVEN BY THE COMMITTEE, IN AN ELABORATE REPORT.

The Cost to the City of the New System Goes Into Operation—Amendments to the Rules to Carry into Effect the Proposed Change.

The April meeting of the school board was held on Thursday evening in common council chamber, with the following members present: Messrs. Baker, Bernard, Bolens, Hosenman, Brown, Byrns, Cochran, Darnestetter, Korman, Erisman, Evans, Griest, Hensley, Marshall, McCormick, McCormick, McElligott, McKilip, Owens, Pugh, Ringwalt, Schwelb, Shindler, Shirk, Smych, Snyder, Warfel, Wickersham, Wohlson and Levergood president.

The minutes of the last stated meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Evans, of the finance committee, reported the following bills as having been examined and found correct, and on his motion the treasurer was directed to pay the same: Charles H. Barr, supplies, \$11.77; Levi Powl, labor, \$17.25; Kate Buckius, salary night school teacher, \$115.70; Henrietta Markley, night school teacher, \$112.50; Wm. H. Levergood, night school teacher, \$50; R. K. Gates, night school teacher, \$105.31; J. P. Wickersham, expenses to Harrisburg, \$5.85; James C. Gries, night school teacher, \$110; Blough & Sons, tables, 10; Dr. J. W. Owens, printing, \$3.50; John H. Jordan, night school janitor, \$10; Anne & Thomas, roasting iron fence, \$25; Jacob R. Landis, two loads of coal, \$8; Baumgardner, Korman & Co., lumber, \$13.16; Gas, Light & Fuel company, gas for male night school, \$33.55; W. C. Fraumeni, coal for male night school, \$20.00; Leabster, load of wood, \$11; INTELLIGENCE, advertising, \$10.10.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Table with columns for Receipts and Expenditures, listing items like tuition, interest, and salaries.

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Mr. Byrns said such was not the intention intended to be conveyed. The committee desired to report in favor of the bill. At the suggestion of the president the last sentence of the report, recommending that section 130 of the rules be so amended that the system may be put in operation at the commencement of the next school term, was stricken from the report.

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WATCHING THEIR INTERESTS.

THE REPORTS OF LABOR DELEGATES HELD UP IN HARRISBURG.

Grand Master Workman Powderly Spends Upon the Objects of the Meeting—The Reports to Secure Legislation That Has Been Demanded for Workingmen.

In response to a call issued by Grand Master Workman Terence V. Powderly for a convention of Knights of Labor from various parts of the state, the first meeting took place Thursday at the Knights of Labor hall, Harrisburg. At 3 o'clock Master Workman Powderly took up the gavel and called the convention to order.

The convention remained with closed doors until an hour previous to adjournment at which time the doors were opened and the proceedings made public.

At the meeting in the evening in the hall of the House of Representatives, Mr. Caffrey, Grand Master of the Knights of Labor, delivered a stirring speech upon the duties in hand.

It is with a feeling of pride that I address a meeting gathered in the House of Representatives of my State on the question of the rights of labor.

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"RADDYGO" LAST EVENING.

McCauley Large Company Appears Before a Good-natured Audience in Fulton Open House.

Last evening McCauley's opera company appeared in Fulton opera house in Gilbert & Sullivan's "Raddigo," which had not been seen here before.

The company of the well known Englishmen, there are many differences of opinion. The story of the opera has been described in the papers day after day and it is familiar to all lovers of amusement.

The company last night is an excellent one, and with musicians, contains almost fifty people in the orchestra.

The opera was put on in the best of style, as the company carries its own scenery. The scene in the picture gallery of Raddigo was the most beautiful.

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AN OCTOGENARIAN'S SAD FATE.

DAWNED IN THE SU-QUANNA RIVER AND ACCIDENTALLY FALLING THEREIN.

The body of Elias Hosenstiel Found in the River at Marietta—A Theory as to How He Lost His Life—A Lid Drowned in the Swamps at Middletown.

MARIETTA, April 8.—Late on Thursday afternoon as Joseph Clinton was crossing the Su-Quanna river, he discovered the body of a man lodged against some bushes in the river, about twenty feet from the shore, near Thuma's grocery store.

The body of the man was identified as the body of Elias Hosenstiel, a man, about eighty years of age. Deputy Coroner Thuma was notified and he called on his jury Frank Thompson, George Lindsey, Christian Hanck, W. H. Decker, F. E. Krause and Jacob Songmaster.

The jury rendered a verdict of accidental drowning. Deceased leaves a family; one of his daughters is Mrs. Fred. Schlutbauer, of Marietta.

POTTSTOWN, Pa., April 8.—Some time last night, the body of Daniel M. Engle, of Pottstown, was found floating in the Susquehanna river, near the bridge which crosses the Swatara creek at Middletown.

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THE BASTARD FESTIVAL IN HARRISBURG.

Effect of the Inter-State Commerce Law Upon Freight Traffic—Accident to a Live Hog, MARRIED, April 8.—The banks of the borough are closed to-day and the postoffice opens only between the hours of 7 and 9:30 a. m.; 1:30 and 2:30 p. m., and 6 and 7 p. m.

Services will be held in the Reformed, Lutheran and Episcopal churches. At the Reformed church the rite of confirmation will be administered in the evening. On Sunday all the churches of the borough will observe the Easter festival, the above named celebrating the holy communion.

The new pastors, Rev. G. W. Lightner, of the United Brethren, and Rev. J. P. Miller, of the Evangelical churches, upon their arrival in Harrisburg, were met by their congregations, who manifested their welcome in the form of liberal donations.

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MANY PEOPLE BURNED.

ONE DIED AND SEVERAL INJURED IN A HOUSE BURNED IN HARRISBURG.

A Terrible House in New York City Destroyed and Its Occupants Killed by a Fire—Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Goods Consumed.

New York, April 8.—The fire which occurred in the tenement house No. 12 on Essex street last night had the effect of putting all the tenement residents of the East Side in a nervous state.

Nearly all the victims will be made a matter for life. They are principally women and children. Of the victims, a girl, Katie Schumann, aged 10, died; Mary Schumann, 40 years old, mother of the girl, is very badly burned about the head; Betty Schumann, her 4-year-old child, burned about the hands, feet and face.

Under the new rates in force since the enactment of the inter-state commerce law, the cost of this shipment was \$10 higher than that under the old rates.

It is thought building operations will be quite extensive during the coming season, and surpass even those of last summer.

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