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THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE DISPATCH has been removed to Corner of Smithfield and Diamond streets.

THE LIBRARY QUESTION. Mr. C. L. Magee, in an interview elsewhere, sends a note of opposition to the constitution of the Board of Trustees, agreed upon between the city and Mr. Carnegie, as the conditions of the latter's splendid gift. Mr. Magee's main objection is to the provision for the future election of members who are not representatives of the city government.

Mr. Carnegie's proposition is that future vacancies in the board, outside of those filled by the city government, shall be elected by that class of membership alone. Thus one part of the board will be constituted of members chosen by the city; another part of members appointed by Mr. Carnegie. Vacancies in the first portion being filled by the city, Mr. Carnegie's idea very evidently is that vacancies in the latter shall be filled by the members who stand as his appointees. Mr. Magee's criticism is directed to the effect that the representatives of the city should have an equal voice in filling the latter class of vacancies.

Mr. Magee is in error in supposing this to be a change in the original proposition. The representatives of the city have stated that the acceptance by the city was made upon the understanding as Mr. Carnegie puts it, and that the wording of the ordinance which they drew up was merely oversight. The point is not a vital one. So far as the real importance of the issue is concerned, we do not think either the donor or the recipient of the gift could let it stand in the way of the successful prosecution of the important work. But it could not have anything but an unfortunate effect for the city after accepting Mr. Carnegie's liberality to raise difficulties over what is really a minor point with regard to its management.

Possibly the Carnegie's criticism Council should withdraw its committee from the board, under certain circumstances, may find a response in the antagonisms that have been created out of the discussions on the subject of this. But any such feeling as that would be prejudicial to the city. It is no more than fair to wait and see if the board does not act with full consideration of all the points involved in the site and for the best interests of the whole people.

TO EXPLORE COUNTRY ROADS. An expedition to-day, organized by THE DISPATCH, to explore the country roads of Pennsylvania. Much has been said of late on the subject of improving our rural highways; but little or nothing has been done in the way of actual inspection, or of inquiring into the opinion of the farmers who dwell along these roads and use them as a means of getting to market. This work will be done thoroughly by the representatives of THE DISPATCH, who, in a wagon loaded with photographic material, will traverse Western Pennsylvania from north to south and from east to west until a full picture of our country roads and the opinion of the farmers concerning their improvement is laid before the public. The expedition will be an interesting one to follow, and the information which it will gather cannot fail to have important results.

NO TROUBLE IN BUILDING. The Builders' Exchange received from the Carpenters' Union yesterday a notification that the latter would not ask either a reduction of hours or an increase of pay this season. This settles the reports that our city would be made the point for an attempt to establish the eight-hour day, so far as the carpenters are concerned, and presumably as regards the entire building trade.

The action of the carpenters is in line with the policy urged by THE DISPATCH, and is eminently wise. As Pittsburgh, and its vicinity, is a busy work and pays better wages than many other cities, it would have been bad policy to select it the point for another fight. That would have taken away the inducement to treat labor liberally which is now afforded by the fact that the good wages and reasonable hours, established in former years, will secure our building operations against interruption by strikes this season.

With this assurance, Pittsburgh can count upon a season of unexampled activity in building for 1890.

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BURLESQUE AND BALLET.

Democratic nomination about as clearly as Delamater for the Republic. But there are people on both sides who think that slates can be broken.

Two editors have been nominated respectively by the Republicans and Democrats of Albany for Mayor of that city. This may be good for Albany, but it will certainly be useful to the Albany papers. The press at the New York office hereafter, however, will be without the services of the two editors, but this will make its editors learn the art of hustling after beats.

PREDICTIONS of a car famine on the railroads for the coming season, are already being made. It is the predicted famine which does not occur.

The action of Congress has prevented Bedloe's Island when the status of Liberty stands from being used as an immigrant depot. This is to be credited to the New York Herald, which made a vigorous fight against the location made by the Treasury authorities. The pedestal of Liberty is not to be the home of the immigrant pools, for the present at least.

The announcement that Zola is going to publish three novels simultaneously justifies the suspicion that he has taken out a large sewer contract.

The fact that it has taken nearly a year to get ready to begin to execute that Buffalo bill, has been calculated to create some doubts as to whether electrical executions are any more rapid than the other way. They are certainly attaining the Mikado's standard by being hanging and almost humorous in the preliminaries.

NEW MAYORS and new Councils took charge of the two cities yesterday. They have the future before them in which to make a record.

MEERS concluded to take his medicine without waiting for the action on his case by the Appellate courts. Certainly the man who gets off with thirty days imprisonment for helping to turn justice into a fraud, should be satisfied to pay that accordingly cheap penalty.

THE mutterings of a Republican storm are not very loud, but they give promise of thunderous tones in the future.

MR. ANDREW LANG and Mr. Rider Haggard have become bosom friends; but Mr. Lang says that Mr. Haggard cannot write polished English. Your true polisher is Mr. Lang himself. But the art of literature is not wholly identical with that of a bookbinder.

PEOPLE WE READ ABOUT. JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY has made a decided hit in the theaters. He is a comedian, a singer, a dancer, a trier to the South for the good of his health. STAGO, the famous Yale pitcher, will play ball this season, and eventually enter the ministry. MR. STANFORD is said to support 20 or 40 free kindergartens for the poor in San Francisco.

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL, Judge Stevenson Burke and General J. S. Casement, of Ohio, are New Yorkers in the profession. THE Prince of Wales and the Duke of Marlborough have had a quarrel and all Paris is talking about it.

MORMON WOODRUFF, the head of the Mormon Church, has in effect, pronounced his occupation gone. MURAT HALSTAD has been writing for the papers continuously for 40 years. He is one of the best workers in the world.

DR. HUNTINGTON, Dean of the Liberal Arts College of Boston University, will spend the summer with his family in Europe, sailing on May 15th.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR, of Wales, arrived at Cardiff yesterday on his way from India to England. He received a royal welcome, prominent English and Egyptian officials having been present to meet him.

THE wife of Vladimir Pachman, the famous Russian pianist, who is about to tour the large cities of this country, is said to resemble Mrs. Woodruff so closely that she is more than once mistaken for her.

DR. ALICE B. STOCKTON, of Chicago, who was recently the guest of the Russian novelist, Count Tolstoi and his family, says the Countess is a woman who, although she is the mother of 13 children, has still the freshness of youth in her face as well as in her heart. Her habits are simplicity itself.

AT THE BETHANY HOME. Misses Scovel and Gordon Delighting in Tomatoes With Their Teaching. "Bethany," No. 112 Center avenue, Pittsburgh, enjoyed a very successful day yesterday, as the school of the Bethany Home to the Home to religious teachers, Misses Elizabeth J. Scovel and Mattie D. Gordon, of Nashville, Tenn.

These young ladies had endeavored themselves to great numbers of people who have listened to their teachings in different places. Those who were present yesterday at the Home enjoyed a most interesting and profitable day. The school of the Bethany Home to the Home to religious teachers, Misses Elizabeth J. Scovel and Mattie D. Gordon, of Nashville, Tenn.

A PITTSBURGER GETS THE FUNDS. Judge Jackson, of Louisville, Makes an Award to J. D. Risber. In the United States Court at Louisville Saturday Judge Howell Jackson gave a decision in favor of the District Court reversing Judge Barry's decision in the case of M. Nipper & Co. against the steamer J. B. Williams. The contest was between J. D. Risber, mortgagee of the boat, and Nipper & Co., who had libeled the Williams for alleged advances made to her master to pay off the crew of the vessel.

The steamer was sold during the progress of the proceedings and the proceeds thereof were divided between the mortgagee and the libelors. Judge Howell Jackson gives them nothing and awards the funds to J. D. Risber, of Pittsburgh.

DEATHS OF A DAY. James Caldwell. James Caldwell, for many years one of the leading merchants of Allegheny City, died early yesterday morning at his home on First avenue, near Rebecca street, East End. He was 63 years of age and unmarried. Mr. Caldwell erected the large building at the corner of Liberty and Park way, now occupied by Boggs & Bohl, in 1878 he sold out his dry goods business, and since then had been speculating in real estate.

DR. J. K. MILLER. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. DENRY, April 7.—Dr. J. K. Miller, railroad physician, died at his home in this city yesterday of disease in his office this afternoon while writing a prescription for a patient. He was in the city for more than 30 years. He was married, and his wife is still living. He was a native of New York, and his death was a great shock to his family and the community.

CHARLES MILLS, editor of the proprietor of the Bradford Daily News, died at 7150 last evening, after an illness of about six weeks. Mr. Mills was a native of Bradford, Pa., and had been in this city for many years. He was a well-known and respected citizen, and his death was a great loss to the community.

DR. JAMES WALLACE. NEWCASTLE, Pa., April 7.—Dr. James Wallace died suddenly this evening of hemorrhage of the lungs, aged 72 years. He was on the streets Saturday evening, apparently enjoying his usual health. He was a native of the late Dr. James Wallace, who was one of the foremost young physicians of New Castle.

MR. WALLACE appears to be slated for the

OUT IN FULL FORCE.

Pittsburg Masons Toss a Royal Reception to the Grand Commandery.

About the most fashionable event in colored circles within the past year came off last night at Lafayette Hall. It was a reception tendered by Cyrus Combs, No. 4, colored mason, to the Grand Commandery of Wilmington, Del.

The officers of the Grand Commandery are: Grand Master, George H. Carson; Grand Secretary, George H. Lewis; Grand Treasurer, William H. Gibbs; Grand Senior Warden, Daniel Dutton; Junior Grand Warden, William H. Gibbs; Grand Scribe, Noah White; Grand Secretary, James Pritchard; Grand Treasurer, William H. Gibbs; Grand Senior Warden, Daniel Dutton; Junior Grand Warden, William H. Gibbs; Grand Scribe, Noah White; Grand Secretary, James Pritchard; Grand Treasurer, William H. Gibbs.

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INTERESTING MEETING. Of Sabbath School Teachers of the Allegheny Presbytery.

In the First Presbyterian Church, Arch street, Allegheny, yesterday afternoon, assembled a very interesting and enthusiastic audience for the meeting of the Allegheny Presbytery. The meeting was presided over by J. G. Stevenson, D. D., of the Allegheny Presbytery.

Boothman's Service Pension Bill. THE service pension bill introduced to-day in the House by Representative Boothman, of Ohio, provides for the payment of a gratuity service pension of 1 cent per month for each day of service to every man who served in the Union army during the late war without regard to age.

Protecting the Contractors. SECRETARY PROCTOR to-day sent to the Senate a letter calling the attention of that body to certain irregularities in the contracts for fortifications, machinery, gunnery and gun carriages which, he says, cannot be procured probably within three years—the plan of the bill is to extend the term of the year—and consequently the contract would lapse by limitation before the completion of the deliveries.

Pennsylvania's War Claims. REPRESENTATIVE MAHLE, from the Committee on War Claims, to-day reported to the House, with a recommendation that it pass the bill to indemnify the State of Pennsylvania for money expended in 1864 for militia called into the service under the President's proclamation.

A New Ship Canal. THE House Committee on Railways and Canals has ordered a favorable report on the bill providing for the construction by the United States of a ship canal around Niagara.

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