

temper remained unruled and he made an emphatic denial. Mr. Henricks then stated that he believed a large number of the plates had been accounted for, and he therefore offered the following resolution:

CAME LIKE A SHOCK

Collector Warmcastle Surprised by the Charges Against Him and His Office.

HIS REMOVAL IS LOOKED FOR

But His Friends Have the Utmost Confidence in His Integrity and Work.

THE NEW POLITICAL COMBINATION

That is Charged with Fighting Senator Quay and His Followers.

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TO PAY ELECTION EXPENSES.

Select Council Holds a Special Meeting for Some Unfinished Business - Various Resolutions Acted On and Other Routine Matters Disposed Of.

Select Council held special meeting yesterday afternoon chiefly to pass the Common Council resolution for the payment of expenses of the coming bond election. It took only a few moments to do this and then some unfinished business was taken up.

A resolution to compromise the claims of E. P. Jones, Robert Arthur and Bridget Daily for \$3,200 was adopted.

Resolutions that the Chief of the Department of Public Works enforce the ordinance to have sidewalks placed on Thirty-third street and requesting the City Attorney to furnish an opinion regarding the right of Council to grant telegraph and telephone companies the right to erect poles on sidewalks were laid on the table.

Mr. Robertson, Chief of the Department of Public Works to ascertain by what right the Central Telephone Company takes gas lamps away and puts poles in their places caused some discussion.

The action of Common Council on adopting the resolution was concurred in.

A resolution requesting the Committee on Public Safety to report on the ordinance relative to the removal of telegraph poles and placing wires underground was laid over at the request of Mr. Lambie, who said the committee had not yet reported.

The action of Common Council in adopting a resolution for the appointment of a committee, consisting of Mayor Gourley, Chief Bigelow, one member from Select and two from Common Council to investigate the aid of Senators Cameron and Quay and the Allegheny county Congressmen in securing that portion of the Allegheny arsenal laying between Butler street and Penn avenue for park purposes was concurred in.

Resolutions requesting the Chief of Public Works to ascertain the probable cost of repaving Forty-eighth street and Butler street between Forty-fifth and Forty-ninth streets were referred to the Finance Committee.

The contract of the Allegheny Light Company for lighting the city with arc lamps was approved, and Council adjourned.

A resolution refunding Thomas Crapin, of the Thirty-third ward, \$19 3/4 overpaid taxes was adopted.

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DIVIDING DISTRICTS.

New Lines for Allegheny Wards and Voting Precincts.

PROSPECT FOR A LONG FIGHT

Between the Old Ward Politicians and the Reformers.

PREPARING FOR THE BAKER BALLOT LAW

The revolution in Allegheny affairs will be still further increased during the coming year by the dividing of wards and election districts.

At the next meeting of Council it is probable that the Committee of Thirteen on Sub-division of Wards will be named and that they will start to work at once.

The alleged reason for this is that the representation in Select Council is too small. There are now only 13 wards, and consequently but 13 members.

It has not been decided how many more will be created or how the lines will be drawn.

This question will probably be the grounds for as bitter a fight as has ever taken place on the Northside, and will still further increase the ferment in the city politics.

The power of the ward workers, it is claimed, will be greatly diminished by the new move, and for that reason the Reformers will give it their undivided support.

May Destroy the School Districts.

The most determined objection, so far as offered, comes from the Board of School Control. This organization has always been noted for clinging to things as ancient as education itself, and carrying out its former policy now claims that the division of wards will destroy the harmony of the school districts.

It is thought that satisfactory arrangements can be made, however, and that the politicians will be left to fight.

Another move that is likely to act like a change of habit on Allegheny citizens will be the proposed re-districting of the city for election purposes.

In speaking of this yesterday, City Solicitor Elphinstone said:

"The city has not been re-districted for about seven years. Some of the precincts are very large, and it is claimed that it would be impossible to pool the entire vote under the Baker ballot law. The remedy would be to divide the city into wards to appoint a commission to divide the wards."

Want the Ward Lines Changed.

Under the State Constitution, the court is given the right to divide districts having more than 250 voters in cities of over 100,000 inhabitants.

There has been no division since Allegheny was made a city in 1837. A petition offered in court, the proper steps would not doubt, be taken. Such a move may be made when the wards are divided."

County Commissioner Mercer thinks it very important that Allegheny districts in both cities be divided before next year's election under the new ballot reform law.

Although the Pittsburgh districts were divided last year, he says there are many that are still too large for the new law. "In Ohio," he continued, "the ballot reform law provided also for dividing districts, but in this State it was considered the present laws were sufficient. They no doubt are, but if there is a petition offered in court, it must make the first move. There is trouble now when a full vote is out to get them all pooled, and under the Baker law a great deal more time will be taken with each voter."

NEW OFFICERS NOMINATED.

The Young Men's Republican Club Indorse the Bond Issue.

At a meeting of the Young Men's Republican Club held in their club house last night, the following list of officers was nominated: President, Hon. W. H. McCleary; First Vice President, Vincent Stevens; Second Vice President, D. K. McGunagle; Corresponding Secretary, William J. Dithrich; Financial Secretary, James H. Graham; Treasurer, Joseph J. Marshall; Board of Directors, C. L. Magee, W. R. Ford, Hon. John N. Neeb, Robert Duncan, John Doyle, Evan Jones, H. P. Ford, Robert G. Patton, William Meese, Charles W. Van, William Jones, E. N. Handolph, Samuel Graham, John S. Lindsay, E. H. Brady, H. M. Dotts, S. T. Richards, Phillip S. Flinn, Thomas G. McClure and Morris W. Mead.

The following resolution was adopted: In view of the fact that on the 8th inst. (next Tuesday) an election is to be held in this city on the question of issuing or not issuing bonds to the amount of two million (\$2,000,000) dollars for the purpose of the indebtedness incurred by the improvement of streets and construction of bridges, which, under the decision of the Supreme Court of March 15, 1891, must be met by the city within the next two years, and as the Mayor and Council have publicly announced that they intend to issue bonds for the purpose of the proposition to issue short term bonds to the amount of \$2,000,000. Believing it good business policy and in the interest of the taxpayers we urge the voters of Pittsburgh to vote in the affirmative upon this proposition.

Predicts Success for Sherman.

T. C. Snyder, President of the Canton Steel and Roofing Company, tarried over night at the Monongahela. He is an ex-State Senator and Legislator, and is quite well up on Ohio politics. He is a Republican and worked too and nail for Major McKinley in the last campaign. He is heartily in favor of Sherman being returned to the United States Senate, and says the grand old oak will be. Foraker is a young man, and can afford to wait. He said: "People must not think that Sherman is on the wane; he is as vigorous in mind as ever, and stands head and shoulders above any senatorial aspirant in the State."

Mass Meeting of Labor Organizations.

The striking printers and pressmen of the two cities will to-day issue a call for a monster mass meeting to be held within ten days at one of the large halls of this city. Every labor organization in Allegheny County will be invited. Good speakers are to be provided to state the position of the strikers. The leaders in the strike say the meeting is the result of urgent requests from other striking labor organizations in the county, who are thoroughly aroused and labor matters generally and the printers strike in particular.

Give a Dress Pattern.

We have them already cut off—thousands of them for the Christmas trade—in cashmere, serge and velvets, at prices much below value of goods—\$2.50 to \$5.00 per suit. Equal bargain in French and English. The new office will be kept open every day except Sunday.

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THREE MORE INSPECTORS NEEDED.

Increase in Building Necessitates the Appointment of Assistant Plumbers.

Chief Brown yesterday received a communication from the Pittsburgh Plumbers' Association, signed by D. K. Becker, James G. Weldon and Charles H. Humbert, in which it was stated that on Wednesday night's meeting of the association a resolution was unanimously adopted requesting the reappointment of City Plumbing Inspector William Layton, and recommending that two or three assistants be added to that bureau.

In the resolution it was stated that on account of the importance and magnitude of the plumbing inspector's duties it was a physical impossibility for one man to do all the work properly and according to the strict letter of the State laws.

The communication was in line with Chief Brown's views on the subject. He says there is no branch of the city business that is of more importance to its health than the supervision of the sanitary plumbing arrangements in dwellings.

While there are numerous laws designating what may or may not be done in house drainage and plumbing and builders and owners as a rule pay but little attention to them, unless closely watched. In this city, where so much building is constantly going on, one man is unable to cover all the ground and give the work the supervision it should have.

It has been evident for two or three years that to have the work properly performed more than one man should be employed. The expense of two additional inspectors has heretofore stood in the way, but a proposition is now talked of to do away with the inspectors' services, as is now done in the building inspection bureau. By this means the office would yield enough to pay the salaries of the sanitary plumbers while building operations continue as they have been for several years.

In Philadelphia last year the plumbing inspectors' fees amounted to \$17,000, and turned a balance into the city treasury after paying six or eight cents per foot.

A couple of years ago the sentiment against charging fees for plumbing and building inspection was so strong in this city that a resolution presented in Council came near being passed to do away with them entirely. Since that time the feeling has changed, and it is now argued that individuals should pay the nominal fees exacted for permits. It is probable that an ordinance will be presented in Council shortly authorizing fees for plumbing inspection and increasing the number of inspectors.

DROPPED DEAD AT THE MEETING.

Ex-Councilman Williams Expires Suddenly at a School Board Session.

John E. Williams, a member of the Twenty-third Ward School Board, dropped dead while attending a meeting of the board at the schoolhouse last night. About 9 o'clock, while the Secretary was reading his report, Mr. Williams dropped from his chair to the floor and expired in a few minutes.

Dr. Holdman was quickly summoned, but by the time he arrived Mr. Williams' death was caused by apoplexy.

Mr. Williams was 51 years of age and leaves a wife and five adult children. He was elected to Council in 1892, re-elected third ward in 1896 and served two terms. He has been a member of the School Board since last April.

Mr. Williams was also a member of the Twenty-third Ward School Board, and a member of the Young Men's Republican Club. He was a member of the Young Men's Republican Club and served three years and six months in the late war.

SUPPLEMENTARY WATER ASSESSMENT.

Chief Bigelow's Report Showing the Amount in Each Ward.

Chief Bigelow yesterday submitted to Controller Morrow the following report of supplementary assessments in each ward:

Table with columns: Ward, Amount, Fourteenth, Total. Rows include First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Fortieth, Forty-first, Forty-second, Forty-third, Forty-fourth, Forty-fifth, Forty-sixth, Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth, Fiftieth.

POINTERS FROM THE POLICE.

SMITH ADAMS was arrested last night on a charge of larceny preferred by William Butler, of Alderman Cahill.

WESLEY BARBER, colored, was yesterday arrested on a charge of assault preferred by Miss Jennie Meader.

FRANK WILLIAMS was arrested yesterday by Officer Downey on a charge of disorderly conduct preferred by J. Phillips before Alderman O'Rourke.

JOSEPH MILLER and Arthur Alcott were arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny preferred by J. Beilstein, a butcher in the Allegheny market.

MRS. REESE, of Filbert street, Allegheny, is mourning the loss of her husband, whom she says, got \$500 from her and then ran away. She reported the loss to the police.

HENRY PORTER was arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny preferred by J. Keeling, a contractor in an unconscious condition by Officer Brown last evening. He was removed to the Southside Hospital.

CHARLES SEIBERT, who escaped from the workhouse last June, has been brought back from Chicago. He got away by being doubled up into a barrel which was shipped away.

JOHN ALOVITCH, his wife Lena and Michael Alovitch were arrested by Officer Connelly and sent to the Twenty-eighth ward station on a charge of disorderly conduct. The party were engaged in a family quarrel on Penn street.

Tax police officials are puzzled over the case of little Johnnie Haney. His mother, who lived on Jones avenue, is in the workhouse and Johnnie is slowly dying from a disease unknown to the medical profession. No hospital will take the boy.

YESTERDAY Officer Madison, of the Eleventh ward police station, recovered a valuable black setter dog stolen from George Dilworth, of Fifth avenue, near Morewood avenue, last Saturday. The dog was valued at \$50. The officer saw the dog on Miller street with two colored boys, but as soon as they saw him approaching they ran off leaving the dog behind.

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Where selection is left with us we will guarantee satisfaction; and an unbroken successful experience of over 20 years, covering hundreds of persons, selected instruments, warrants the public in placing their trust implicitly in our selection.

Do not allow yourself to be over-persuaded by agents and salesmen of cheap homes, but come directly to our store, or write us for catalogues, prices and our easy terms. We also take old instruments in exchange. We prefer to deal directly with you, and will make it of special value to you to do so. Respectfully, S. HAMILTON.

BUTCHERS AT WAR.

Arranging for a Boycott on the Herr's Island Abattoir.

TRADE OF HOTELS IN DISPUTE.

All the Local Retail Dealers in Meat Involved in the Quarrel.

BEEF USED BY LEADING HOSTELRIES

The Pittsburgh butchers, about 500 in number, are just now involved in a quarrel with the Winter Abattoir Company on Herr's Island. The Winter company heretofore has furnished a majority of the local retail butchers with their meat. The company has been killing about 500 head of cattle a week. The retail dealers say that a week ago the Winter people solicited the trade of the Pittsburgh hotels. The hotel trade, the butchers claim, is their most profitable business.

The Hotel Anderson, the Seventh Avenue and the Monongahela House each use about 1,000 pounds of meat each week. The Duquesne Hotel and Newell's restaurant each consume about 800 pounds of meat weekly, and unless the Winter people cancel their arrangement with the hotels the retailers will withdraw their trade from the Winters. The butchers have not purchased any meat from the Herr's Island concern, and several of them stated yesterday that they would not purchase any more there until the wholesalers return to the legitimate wholesale business.

Will Boycott Herr's Island Meat.

A meeting of the local butchers will be held this evening, when it is expected an organization will be perfected, not alone of the butchers who are supplied from Herr's Island, but of all the butchers in the two cities, and a general boycott will be inaugurated.

The Winter company has not only been supplying many of the local butchers with meat but they have been buying from the butchers all their refuse, such as fat, tallow, bones and blood. The fat and tallow they consist of making into soap, and the limitation of butter, which they have been shipping regularly to Holland, where it was disposed of. From the bones and blood they made fertilizer and sold in this country. This, the butchers say, is the real profit business, and bringing the company much better returns than will the hotel trade in beef.

A Boom for Chicago Beef.

The effort to boycott the Winter company has caused the local butchers considerable inconvenience. They have been compelled to kill their own cattle or to chase their meat from foreign wholesalers. They prefer, they say, to buy their dressed meat at home, but while they are encouraging home trade they are vigorously opposing having their most profitable business taken away from them, by the trade they encourage.

The fight promises to be a lively one. The butchers are in dead earnest as they say they will not yield until they have driven the Winter company out of the retail trade. The Winter company is just as determined. They contend they have a right to sell their beef wherever they can find the best market. They also say they can sell to the hotel men direct much cheaper than to the retail butchers.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC BOXES.

H. Kleber & Bro.'s Annual Importation.

Kleber Bros.' importation of fine music boxes, intended for this year's holidays, has just been received and can now be seen at their store, No. 506 Wood street. This lot consists of interchangeable cylinder, piccolo, guitar, mandolin, sublime harmonic (double comb) and plain boxes. These boxes are manufactured by the old and well-known firm of Morand Freres, St. Croix, Switzerland, who are acknowledged by connoisseurs to have attained perfection in their beautiful works of art. For elegance of design, beauty of finish, charming quality of tone and solidity of workmanship these music boxes are unequalled. They can be had only at H. Kleber & Bro.'s, 506 Wood street. Call early and make a selection.

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