Pittsburgh Gazette.

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CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Ward Nominations.

The nomination of candidates for Council, &c took place in several of the wards of the city on Saturday evening.

FIFTH WARD.

Common Council: Paul Seibert, Thos. C. Dickson, Frank Ardary. R. J. McGowan and Charles Seek, without opposition.

Select Council: J. McM. Kelg and Richard Thompson; each received fifty nine votes. There being no choice, it was arranged for another meeting to-morrow evening.

School Directors—John McElroy and J. M. Taylor.

Assessor—Joseph Irwin.

Judge of Election—1st precinct, Andrew Moore; 2nd precinct, Charles Kirsch.

Inspector—1st precinct, Robert Graham, 2nd precinct, David Adams.

Return Inspector—1st precinct, David Beck; 2nd precinct, Frank Ralston.

Constable—Reuben Smith.

SIXTH WARD.

The following is the official result of the primary meeting in the Sixth Ward. Those marked with a * are the nominees:

Select Council: J. F. McLaughlin,* 303; W. Dickson, 149.

Common Council: W. C. Moreland,* 337; Jared M. Brush,* 326; John Rohman,* 278; W. F. Layng,* 193; Robert Robb,* 269, R. A. Colville, 180; W. A. Walker, 151; J. A. Graff, 136; Wm Barnhill, 122; B. B. Hunniest, 120; H. M. B ie, 115.

School Directors: Wm. Floyd,* 317; Wm. Culy,* 289; James D. Kelly, 174; John C. Harper, 117.

Alderman: Elisha R. Wise,* 196; James Onslow, 108; James Lindsay, 120.

Assessor: George Cochran, Sr.,* 453.

Constable: William Stone.

Judge of Election: Charles Jeremy,* 269; Samuel Allinder, 197.

Inspector: George Kemp,* 220, Thomas Kerr, 211.

Return Inspector: James D. Kelly,* 458.

EIGHTH WARD.

The Republicans of the Eighth ward met at the school house in said ward on Saturday evening, 23d inst. John A. Sergeant was called to the chair, and John Cox and John Sherline appointed secretaries.

The following named gentlemen were proposed as candidates for nomination for the ward offices to be voted for by ballot on Thursday, 28th inst, between the hours of 4 and 7 p. m.:

Select Council—Samuel Morrow, Joseph Nixon.

Common Council—Rowland D. Jones, James Mawhinney, John M. Killen, Edward S. Wright, Jacob Miller, Reuben I. Leonard.

Judge of Election—John R. T. Noble, James Carey; Joseph Snowden.

Inspector of Election—Richard W. Roberts.

Return Inspector of Election—John Sherline, Bernard Farrell, Seth Wilmot.

School Directors—John L. Hamilton, 3 years; E. B. Thomas, 3 years; Henry E. White, 3 years; Barclay Preston, 1 year; Joseph E. Johnston, 1 year; W. H. Wagstaff, 1 year.

Assessor—John J. Storer, Peter Liggett, John Cox, Henry Belzer.

Constable—Andrew J. Mercr.

On motion, David Hutchinson was appointed Judge, and William J. Elliott and John Hineline Inspectors of the primary election.

A resolution was passed restricting the voting to those who had supported Lincoln for President and Curtin for Governor, and who are now supporting the Republican nominees for the municipal offices.

TENTH WARD.

Alderman—James B. Sutherland.

Select Council—J. Gallagher, one year; John Shipton, two years.

Common Council—William Simpson, Jacob Diehl.

School Directors—James Pretty, David Sims, one year; Geo. L. Metcalf, Jacob H. Miller, two years; Augustus Steinmeyer, F. J. Busha, three years.

Judge of Elections—David E. Hall.

Inspect r of Elections—A. Breinniger, Jr.

Return Inspector—George J. Hall.

Assessor—William Leonard.

The Late Locomotive Explosion—Coroner's Inquest.

On Saturday afternoon Coroner Clawson held an inquest on the body of William Gehaney, who died from injuries received by the explosion of the boiler of engine No. 299 on the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Torrens Station on the 21st inst.

Quite a number of witnesses were examined, among others James Shaw, James Barnhill, John Grip and W. M. Wilt (foreman of engines at outer depot) who testified to having examined the exploded boiler, and all gave it as their opinion that the explosion was caused by over pressure of steam. Other witnesses testified that the explosion occurred whilst the engine was standing on the track, and after it had remained standing some twenty-five minutes. The day was quite cold, and the fire in the engineer and fireman's cabin were on the engine, and if it is supposed that steam was allowed to accumulate to too great a pressure, causing the explosion.

The jury found that deceased came to his death by the explosion, caused by "over pressure of steam."

The other parties injured, we are pleased to state, are in a fair way of recovery.

The funeral of Mr. Gehaney took place yesterday, at the place of residence, New Florence, Westmoreland county.

Fourth Ward School, Allegheny—Closing Exercises.

The usual examination of classes in the Sandusky street schools occurred last week, and continued for several days. In all the departments the exercises were performed in a very creditable manner, and evinced progress, highly satisfactory to parents and friends. The regular class examinations, being accompanied with music and other exercises, rendered the occasion more than ordinarily pleasant. On Thursday afternoon, the "Grammar Department," under the efficient management of Miss Sadie Hamilton, assisted by Miss Lizzie Dar doan, was attended by a demonstration of visitors, who expressed both astonishment and delight, not only at the proficiency of the pupils in their several studies, and the masterly manner in which they acquitted themselves in recitation, but also with the rich entertainment furnished in the shape of the select Council—Samuel Morrow, Joseph Nixdialogues, essays, declamations and music tastefully intermingled.

The exercises of the High School Department, under the immediate direction of the Principal, T. E Wakeham, assisted by Miss M. E. Hamilton, were equally silver and interesting. Handsome and valuable gifts were bestowed on teachers generally. Neat presentation speeches were made by the donors, and responded to, on behalf of the teachers, by Henry E. White, 3 years; the Principal, the Rev. J. R. Kerr responded to a full dress speech, entertaining the young folks until they became almost wild with joy.

Row in Allegheny—Man Injured.

On Saturday night at a late hour, two men, one by the name of John calls "Puggy" Stewart, and another, name unknown, applied at the house of a colored man by the name of Peter Barnes, on First street in the Third Ward, Allegheny, and enquired for the residence of Wilgheny, and enquired for the residence of Wilhan alias "Pompey" Graham. Being directed them to Graham's, when the unknown party commenced to act in a very disorderly manner, and was ejected from the premises by Barnes, and was ejected from the premises by Barnes, Stewart and his partner, procuring a large stick of wood, broke in Barnes' door, whereupon the latter struck Stewart with a billet of wood, inflicting him severely. In the melee, a negro by the name of Archibald Taylor, who went to Barnes' assistance, was struck a severe blow over the eyes by the unknown individual, who immediately ran off.

Lieutenant Taylor, of the night watch, being in the neighborhood, took Stewart into custody, and finding him severely injured, conducted him to his home on Sandusky street, where Dr. John Hamilton dressed his wounds, which consisted of "a gash in the forehead, and a severe contusion on the back of the head, probably occasioned by a fall."

Barnes and Taylor were arrested and conducted to the tombs, where they remained until this day morning, when they were discharged by the Mayor, no information having been made against them.

Central Skating Park.

A most beautiful display was made at the Central Skating Park on Saturday evening. A number of ropes were stretched across at the lark at a sufficient elevation, and on each were hung two hundred Chinese lanterns, which lighted the entire Park in a very handsome manner. In the centre a pagoda has been built, which is occupied by the band, and from which they discourse sweet music for the benefit of the skaters. A magnificent piano has been purchased and replaced in the ladies' reception room for the benefit of those who are not engaged in skating. Last night, we are sorry to say no band had been engaged. It, on the contrary it should strike the proper note to night, and should the weather be mild this morning, the entire matter will be redeemed. If, on the contrary it should strike the cold, there will be a grand time. Fireworks in the greatest profusion will be displayed. The band will be in attendance, and everything that can, will be done to add to the pleasure and enjoyment of the evening.

Union Skating Park.

Saturday was a regular skating carnival. The cold snap had given a new surface to the old ice upon the Parks, and the weather we do not exaggerate the number—crowded the cars, or were seen on foot, wending their way with their skates in their hands, next upon enjoying the exhilarating sport. In the evening we visited the Union Skating Park, situated in the second Ward, Allegheny, near the line of the Manchester passenger railway, and found the grounds crowded. Inside of the building erected for the accommodation of the patrons, was a perfect crowd of ladies and gentlemen, chatter, laughing, buckling on skates, or taking notes of the various costumes. Every face beamed with merry smile, and Momus was well represented. Out on the Park a lively scene presented itself. Dashing, whirling, gliding, in fact going through every evolution that could be performed upon skates, was around, variously estimated at from five hundred to a thousand, each in their own on their own account. Now circling a straight line, some dashing off in wide circles, now dashing circles backward, some forward, the young gentlemen during their manœuvres, in the mysterys of constituting an exact position upon the ice—sometimes a fooling, grey headed papa, and matron, still looking ladies, young misses and misses still in their teens, and some who had not attained that important epoch in life's drama, all in a lively moving upon a great chequer board, each intent upon the solution of his own game—intent upon the solution of his own game—intent upon the solution of his own game—