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SATURDAY, MORNING.....AUGUST 18.

**American Association for the Advancement of Education.**

The Association was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bradford; after which the minutes of the preceding session were read, and after correction, approved.

The Secretary read a letter from Hon. Henry Barnett, of Conn., apologizing for his non-attendance at the meeting of the Association at this city, $1[illegible] had been received from new members.

Prof. Agnew, of Pittsfield, Mass., proceeded to read a paper on Female Education. The Professor took the ground that a more systematic course of classical instruction should be given the females attending our Seminaries; he contended that four years would to the proper time for a young lady to receive instruction in our Seminaries. Attention should also be paid to their physical development.

Mr. Greenleaf, of Brooklyn, followed in a few remarks, which spoke highly of the propriety, in a very humorous manner, of giving the young ladies attending Seminaries, instructions in the culinary department, as well as in the classics. The gentleman contended that it was as important that a young lady should know how to make a plum pudding, as to play a popular polka on the Piano.

The hour having arrived, for the election of officers, the Association proceeded to an election. Before an election had been effected, Mr. Whitehead called up his amendment to the Constitution, providing for an amendment to the Constitution, by which Vice Presidents of the Association could be selected. He moved an alteration providing for one Vice President from each State in the Union. Considerable discussion ensued on the amendment, which was participated in by Messrs. Whitehead, Agnew, Washburn, Lord, and others.

A motion was made by Rev. Mr. Washburn, to postpone the consideration of the amendment until the next session. The motion was carried.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. Prof. Henry, the President, in noticing the nomination of Prof. Bache, as his successor, passed a glowing opinion on that gentleman as a man of science and a friend of education.

Prof. Thompson could see no good reason why the Association should not hold its to their present worthy Chairman. He accordingly nominated that gentlemen for re-election. Prof. Henry, in a few interesting remarks, declined the honor, but assured the members he would always be a working member of the Association.

The Convention then proceeded to an election with the following result. The President, Secretary and Treasurer, were elected by acclamation, and the Standing Committee by ballot, Messrs. Greenleaf and Thompson acting as Scrutatories:

*President*—Prof. A. D. Bache, of Washington City, of the United States Coast Survey.

*Secretary*—H. L. Cooke, of Philadelphia.

*Treasurer*—James Whitehead, of Newark, N. J.

*Standing Committee*—Alonzo Potter, D. D., of Pennsylvania, Hon. E. C. Benedict, of N. York, Hon. T. H. Burrows, of Pennsylvania, Z. Richards, of Washington City, Louis Andrews, of Ohio, and Rev. Alfred Ryors, of Indiana.

The Secretary, Mr. Cooke, read a resolution returning the thanks of the Convention to the different railroad companies throughout the country, for their generosity. The resolution was adopted.

Resolutions were read by the Treasurer, Mr. Whitehead, returning the thanks of the Association to the Trustees of the Third Ward School House, to the Trustees of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, for the use of the buildings in their charge, to the Local Committee, and to the citizens of Pittsburgh, Allegheny, and vicinity for their hospitality. Pending the consideration of these resolutions there was an agreeable interchange of sentiment and of feeling between members of the Association and members of the Association. Judge Shaler, Hon. A. W. Loomis, Rev. Mr. Bryan, Rev. A. D. Campbell, the President Prof. Henry, Mr. Whitehead, Mr. Greenleaf, and others delivered addresses, characterized by eloquence and good feeling.

Mr. Whitehead, the Treasurer, reported that since the session of the Association in this city, $[illegible] had been received from new members.

Hon. W. S. Johnson reported, on behalf of the local committee, that $600 had been raised in the course of a day, for the purpose of compassing a premium fund. The announcement was received with loud cheers.

Some action was taken by the convention in regard to reports of committees, topics of the next meeting, &c., and several resolutions were appointed to prepare papers.

Rev. R. H. Potter, of Dublin, N. H., and Hon. A. W. Loomis, of Pittsburgh, were elected associate members of the Association.

A resolution of thanks to the reporters, was presented by Dr. Lambert, of Philadelphia, and adopted.

The hour having arrived for adjournment, Prof. Henry made a few admirable and interesting remarks, in which he adverted to his early career, and returned thanks to the members for the honor they had conferred in calling him to preside over their deliberations. He noticed the growth of the great West, and the necessity for an extended range of education in the new States. The President was frequently interrupted with hearty applause.

A closing prayer by the Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Indiana, the Association was declared adjourned, until it should meet in Washington City, on the second Tuesday of August, 1854.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The temperance folks are going ahead at a vast rate, at least in the way of holding prohibitory liquor law meetings. We have been requested to make public the following appointments for meetings to day and to-morrow:

The friends of prohibition in Tarrentumville, will be addressed this evening, by Col. Hiram Butts and J. M. Kirkpatrick, Esq.

In Millers Shaler township, addresses will be made by William H. Barrows and John D. Bailey, on the subject of prohibition.

On Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, Rev. A. M. Stuart will make a temperance speech in the Scotch Hill Market House, in this city.

At 6 o'clock on Sunday evening, a temperance meeting in Temperanceville, will be addressed by Wm. H. Rusleigh.

At half past seven o'clock, the same evening, a temperance discourse will be delivered in Rev. Paxton's Church, on the corner of Sixth and Smithfield streets, on the subject of a prohibitory liquor law.

At the same time a discourse, on the same subject will be delivered in the First Baptist Church, on the corner of Third and Grant streets.

FIRES.—About 11 o'clock yesterday, fire was discovered on the roof of a dwelling house on Third street, below Redoubt alley and Perry street. The alarm being given, several engines were quickly on the spot, but not a number of minutes elapsed before considerable hole presented, the fire being extinguished by the residents of the house.

A fire occurred on Thursday night, in Birkhoover's tavern, on the old Washington road. The fire originated in the second story, but in what manner, no one knows. The building was entirely consumed. It will be recollected that the building was the scene of a murder perpetrated some three years ago, by a man named Mathey, who is now expiating his offence in the Penitentiary.

ASSAULT AND BATTERY.—James Lord, the proprietor of a drinking house, was yesterday committed to jail, by Alderman Major, on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by a young man named Hirlin. The complainant went to Lord and requested him to come selling liquor to his father Lord and refused him to come selling liquor to his father Lord and refused him to come selling liquor to his father Lord and refused