

GIRLS WERE SCARCE

That Caused the Woodhaven School Board's Action.

THE TEACHERS UP IN ARMS.

Declares They Will Fight the Order Making Them Live in the Town.

The Trustees Say the Place Was Going to the Dogs Because of a Scarcity of Young Women—The Fellows Had Organized an Old Bachelors' Association—Wrote Measures Had to Be Adopted to Save the Town.

WOODHAVEN, La., Nov. 21.—Politics, the Chilian question and all such affairs appear as nothing to the citizens of this place, in comparison with the great fight between the 16 pratty school teachers of the town and the school trustees. If, as has been hinted, the girls strike or take their case to the court, the town will be in an uproar. It is all the result of a rule passed by the trustees making it obligatory on the teachers to reside in Woodhaven. There are three schools here, and of the 16 teachers 13 have been living at Brooklyn, Williamsburg and Long Island City.

President Kirkland of the Board of Trustees, says: "This school district pays about \$7,500 in salaries to teachers, and I think this money should be spent in the village. If the teachers reside away from the village they are liable to be late at the morning session and also in a hurry to depart in the afternoon. Besides, this place has long needed a suitable number of educated young women as an addition to society. Last spring the young women organized an 'Old Maid Society,' and later the young men organized an 'Old Bachelors' Consoiation Association.' When things come to such an issue it is time something should be done for society in the village; so I conceived the idea of having the teachers reside in the place. I think the young men of the village should feel grateful to me. We have selected as teachers young women who are both handsome and accomplished."

At the request of the Board of Trustees all the teachers signed an agreement to reside in Woodhaven. This soon became very irksome to the girls who had resided elsewhere. They did not want to live away from their parents' homes. Finally one girl, Miss McKenna, of Long Island City, hired a room in Woodhaven. Her brother, James McKenna, ran on the Democratic ticket for Assemblyman, and was defeated by Mr. Weeks, a Republican, of Haverhill. Miss McKenna rented a room in Woodhaven she went to her Long Island City home every night. The other young women tried to give the impression that they lived in Woodhaven, although they, too, went to their homes in other places, and did not go to the expense of hiring a room as Miss McKenna did.

President Kirkland and his fellow trustees are reported to have visited the Woodhaven churches at all of the services on Sunday. They did not see the young teachers there. They inquired pleasantly of the teachers, when they met them afterward, if they liked this church service. The teachers all replied "Yes," but the trustees showed that they must abide by their contracts. The young women held caucuses, and voted the whole board of trustees "perfectly horrid creatures," and positively declared that "they never, never would submit."

Has they did submit. Within the last week all of them, except Miss McKenna have moved their property to Woodhaven and now reside there. They are free to go home on Friday nights and remain till Monday, but some of them declare that "just for spite," they will not take advantage of that privilege. They are a very angry lot of young women and declare that they will never speak to any of the Board of Trustees unless they must.

"We have no place to go in the evenings when our school duties are over," said one of the pratty teachers yesterday. "The rates of board are very high and our salaries are not. We believe the whole scheme has been concocted for the benefit of the boarding house keepers. Our hard earned money is needed in our homes. It is very uncongenial here. We obey the law only under compulsion. We are afraid we will be discharged if we do not, and we cannot afford that."

School Commissioner John B. Merrill says he thinks that the contract between the trustees and the teachers would not hold good if the teachers chose to rebel. The trustees, he says, are created by statute and have only such power as the statute gives them. There is no claim on the teacher's time after school hours, for school purposes. He maintains that the same rule which deprives the Board of Jurisdiction over the school children after they leave the school yard applies equally to the teachers.

School Superintendent Smith, who has charge of the Woodhaven schools and is the immediate superior of the teachers, said that the contract with the parents an opportunity of meeting the teachers if they so desire, and the knowledge of this had a good effect upon the scholars. When the teachers resided out of Woodhaven there were too many cases of tardiness among the scholars, and it was difficult to reprove the children for this when the teachers set so poor an example. Mr. Smith says it is his duty as superintendent to enforce the contract and he intends to do so.

Two Young Ladies Killed.
HARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 21.—Miss Mildred Burden, of Burdette, was killed and Miss Katie Williams fatally injured by a freight train at the Main street crossing in East Hartford at 7 p. m. The ladies stepped back to avoid a passenger train when the freight train backed down and ran over them. There was no rear light on the freight train and its approach was entirely without warning. Mrs. Williams was with the young ladies but escaped with slight bruises.

Not a Question of Money.
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 21.—Mrs. Annie Dunn, who was married to a penniless youth named Henry, in 10 years old, a niece of General Forrest, of the Confederate Cavalry fame and worth a quarter of a million of dollars in her own right. Mrs. Dunn was also engaged to marry one of her plantation managers. She took her husband to New York.

EACH DELEGATION CONFIDENT.

The Great Struggle to Capture the Republican National Convention.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The bustle and commotion in the lower corridors, parlors, and the lobby of the Arlington Hotel, remind one of the first days of a new administration which brings with it crowds of office seekers. The delegations from the different cities that come here to capture the next National Republican Convention are all here, and have their headquarters at the Arlington.

Omaha has established its headquarters in the main parlor just inside the entrance, from which point of vantage the members of the committee can swoop down upon and capture any arrivals in whom they may be especially interested. Cincinnatians are of opinion that Gov. McKinley's presentation of their case will be of great weight, and may probably give them the prize.

Each delegation is confident that their city will be the fortunate one. New York asserts that she will have 31 votes at the start. San Francisco claims 10, while the Minneapolis men say their city will receive 30.

An \$800,000 Claim Against an Estate.
BOSTON, Nov. 21.—The petition of C. J. Henshaw & Co., Lenders Bankers, to have \$800,000 reserved by the executors of the estate of the late Royal M. Puffer in order to meet a claim for that amount alleged to be due said firm was heard in the Middlesex Probate Court before Judge Brooks, and is now under consideration. The claim is alleged to be due for breach of guaranty executed by Mr. Puffer in his life time. He agreed to guarantee the completion of the construction of the Marietta and North Georgia Railroad out of the proceeds of the mortgage bonds which the petitioners claim to have negotiated in London.

Meritor Prefers Criminal Charges.
QUEBEC, Nov. 21.—Hon. H. Meretie, Premier of Quebec, has sworn out criminal charges against J. P. Whelan, the contractor for the Quebec City Court House, who is alleged to have stated that he has to pay heavy sums to Mr. Meretie and several members of the latter's government to secure the contract to do certain work. The Premier has also made charges against several newspapers.

The Yacht Race is Off Until Spring.
NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—W. R. Hearst, owner of the Yamacow, having telegraphed East that she would race only during weather suitable for the Norwood, inquiry was made at the office of Norman L. Munroe regarding the race. It was said that owing to the fact that the smooth water did not prevail at this season of the year the race would have to be postponed until spring.

Petition in Favor of Eates.
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—A petition urging President Harrison to appoint M. M. Eates to the vacant Cabinet position is being actively circulated and signed throughout California.

Dictator Fonseca is reported seriously ill. Masked robbers got \$2,000 from a Northern Pacific express car in Montana. London has information of yellow fever at Santos and other Brazilian points.

The Washington State Farmers' Alliance indorses the Sub-Treasury scheme, third party and free coinage. At the joint meeting of Farmers' Alliance and the F. M. B. A., the third party movement was endorsed.

Secretary Blaine is appealed to secure just treatment of United States citizens, with respect to tonnage passing through the Walland Canal. The president has appointed Dolph T. Roberts, of Evansville, Ind., to be recorder of the General Land Office, vice James M. Townsend, resigned. Mr. Roberts is a colored man and a minister, as is his predecessor.

Weather Indications.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—For New England: slightly warmer; fair weather; southerly winds increasing cloudiness and probably light rains by Sunday evening. For Eastern New York, Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware: slightly warmer; southerly winds and generally fair weather; rain by Sunday night.

Found Their Children Burned Up.
CATLETTSBURG, Ky., Nov. 21.—Two small children of Farmer David Barman were burned to death at their home on Mill Creek, Wayne County, W. Va., during the night. The remainder of the family went to church, leaving the little ones asleep. When they returned nothing but a heap of ashes and a few charred bones were left to tell what had become of their home and the fate of the little ones. The pecuniary loss is about \$10,000.

He Killed Because He Complained.
LENSFIELD, Mass., Nov. 21.—The police are investigating the case of Richard Ruggles, who was taken into a field Thursday night by five masked men and there whipped and kicked so badly that his recovery is doubtful. Ruggles had complained against a road house bearing an unsavory reputation, which fact is thought to have some connection with his treatment.

Gifts for Amherst College.
AMHERST, Mass., Nov. 21.—An anonymous friend has purchased and presented to Amherst College twenty acres of the Bolwood estate adjoining the college—35 acres in all. These additional acres will be graded and laid out to correspond with the college grounds. The late Rufus R. Kellogg, an alumnus and former trustee has bequeathed the college \$50,000.

Several cases of smallpox are reported in Kingston. Governor Hill has been in Washington the past two days engaging apartments. Fire in the Standard Theatre in Syracuse, just after the performance had been dismissed, did \$200,000 damage. Milton Jousa, an employe, was severely injured by the explosion of one section of a digester in the Romington Paper Company's sulphite mill at Watertown.

CHILI COOLING OFF

The Fiery South Americans Quit Talking War.

HAVE HEARD OF OUR NAVY.

Willing Now to See Justice Done to the Assaults of U. S. Sailors.

They Have Also Discovered England Will Not Help Them in Case of Hostilities—Captain Schley's Conduct Meeting With Great Praise—Chili Hasn't Much of a Naval Force Anyway.

VALPARAISO, Nov. 21.—A correspondent has made special inquiries to ascertain the condition of public feeling on the subject of the difficulty with the United States, and finds that the fiery sentiment which prevailed against Americans has considerably cooled down. The Chilians talk more rationally as to the American request for redress, and just now there is a growing disposition to see that justice is done to those who assaulted the American sailors, and killed two of them.

Undoubtedly the report telegraphed from New York of the formidable fleet said to be on its way to Pacific waters has something to do with the change of sentiment in Valparaiso, at least. The people here are not anxious for a bombardment. They have come to the conclusion that the United States is in earnest, and the more intelligent among them have taken pains to ascertain something about American power and resources. They understand now that if Americans should decide upon a bombardment, they would not be deterred by interference of other nations in behalf of Chili, and that the Chilians would have to take care of themselves.

When the war furor was first raised here, Englishmen went about in swabbing fashion giving the Chilians to understand that the British fleet would never permit Americans to damage Valparaiso. This had much to do with the defiant attitude of Chili. Now that it is evident that the only British ally would be the correspondent of the London "Times," to whose commands the American admiral would probably not pay much attention, the situation is different, and Valparaiso has concluded not to court a bombardment. Consequently Americans are treated with more respect, and there is no disposition to do violence to American officers or seamen.

Capt. Schley's conduct meets with universal praise. He has been calm and deliberate under the most provoking circumstances. This combined with dignity and firmness has won him the respect even of the lower and less intelligent as well as the superior class.

NOT MUCH OF A NAVY.
Chili's Ships Greatly Overrated, Says a United States Officer.
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—One of the officers of the San Francisco, which has just returned, declared that the Chilian navy had been greatly overrated. Said he: "They have several good vessels, but not one is a match for the Baltimore or San Francisco. They have nine and ten-inch Armstrong guns, but the guns are so unskillful that they do not effect work."

"For instance, I witnessed the bombardment of Fort Vina del Mar by the Almirante Cochrane and the Esmeralda. Both have the best equipment, but at a distance of 2,000 yards not a single shot hit the fort. Only one shell fell at the foot of the embankment in front of the fort, and did no damage. At such a distance with proper handling of the gun the fort ought to have been dismantled in 15 minutes."

Did Milkman Hilday Kill His Wife?
TROY, N. Y., Nov. 21.—The sensational poisoning story made public a few days ago by Charles Fietz of this city, and his charge that his wife desired him out of the way because she had become infatuated with Milkman George Hilday of North Greenbush, has attracted attention to the latter, and he is likely to become prominent by connection with the case. His wife died under somewhat peculiar circumstances a few months ago, and an investigation is about to be made to ascertain whether she died from natural causes.

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Wilmington & Northern R. R.

Time table in effect May 15, 1891.
Trains leave Reading (P. & R. station) for Philadelphia, week days, 10:41 a. m., 12:15 and 3:20 p. m. For Philadelphia, week days, 10:41 a. m., 12:15 and 3:20 p. m. For New York, week days, 10:41 a. m., 12:15 and 3:20 p. m.

NEW ENGLAND BRIEFS.

Gen. Ben Butler's physician says his patient's illness is painful but not dangerous.
Owing to inability to conduct their business at a profit the Gilmore, Estlin, Rolling Mills, at Cambridgeport, Mass., have shut down permanently.
The addition of Rev. Thomas Hill, ex-president of Harvard College, who is lying ill at the residence of a friend in Waltham, Mass., is very critical.

At a result of the football games between Williams and Amherst Colleges at Amherst, Mass., Friday, in which neither side scored, the two teams are tied for the championship.
John A. King, who was arrested in Brooklyn, N. Y., and brought to Boston, charged with attempt to defraud the John Hancock and New York Life Insurance Companies, was held in \$5,000 for the grand jury.

SUNDAY TRAINS.

For Lehigh, 10:41 a. m., 3:10 and 5:30 p. m.
For Easton, 10:41 a. m., 3:10 and 5:30 p. m