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## PROF. BOGART EXONERATED

A Majority of the School Board So Decided Last Night.

### STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

He Clearly Defines His Position and Quashes the Board's Resolutions—Superintendent Bogart's Emphatic Denial and His Counter Affidavits.

The School Board held a special meeting last night and by a majority vote exonerated Prof. H. M. Bogart, the new Superintendent of schools, from the charges against him for alleged misconduct while he was Superintendent of schools at Knoxville, Pa. The members opposing the action justified themselves on the proposition that one accused must prove himself innocent. Those who exonerated the Superintendent proceeded on the theory that there must first be a preponderance of guilt and, secondly, that from the evidence before the Board they were bound to exonerate.

The Directors at the meeting were Messrs. Trevis, Haugh, Morgan, Edwards, Church, Williams, Thomas, Sullivan, O'Brien, Higgins, Devitt, Connors, Lee, Hanna and President Price.

Superintendent Bogart was also in attendance. He is a man of refined and dignified presence and impresses one as being highly intelligent. He entered the Directors' room alone immediately after the meeting opened and took a seat within the library reading.

After proceeding with a little routine business reports of special committees were taken up.

Secretary Frank Hanna read the following letter from State Superintendent Schaeffer:

"Hannasburg, July 13th, 1896.  
"Mr. Frank Hanna, Secretary.

"Dear Sir:—In reply to your communication of July 9th I desire to say that the opinion of the Attorney General, rendered in the Dauphin county contest, makes it impossible for me to investigate the moral character of a superintendent in so far as this question bears upon his career previous to his election and entrance upon the duties of his office. If the superintendent commits any immoral act during his term of service as superintendent I shall feel prepared to take the law into my own hands and to insist upon his removal from office. If the superintendent is considered as a party to any such act, an accused man always has the right to a hearing in which he can face his accusers and those who testify against him.

"I see no reason why your Board cannot investigate Superintendent Bogart's conduct at Knoxville for the purpose of proving him either innocent or guilty of the charges made against him in the affidavit. You will, of course, understand that an affidavit is considered as a party to any such act, an accused man always has the right to a hearing in which he can face his accusers and those who testify against him.

"It is not reasonable to expect the Superintendent of Public Instruction to disclose the legal opinion of the law officer created by the Constitution for the guidance of the Governor and the heads of the departments of our state government. If the courts were to sanction such disclosure it would establish a precedent of the most dangerous kind, as every law-abiding citizen will understand. If the affidavit is stated, I herewith return your affidavit in compliance with your request.

Yours very truly,  
S. SCHAEFFER,  
Superintendent of Public Instruction.

After reading the letter Secretary Hanna said he would like to hear what Mr. Bogart had to say, a copy of the resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Board having been given him.

Superintendent Bogart was ready and in a quiet, gentle tone proceeded with a verbal statement of his side of the case. He spoke of the time calmly, deliberately and in every way as if he was satisfied in his own conscience of the inviolability of his position, but occasionally became very resentful. He spoke for many minutes and prefaced his most important remarks with the statement:

"I have something to say. Knowing somewhat the character of these insinuations and the charges made at Knoxville by a family living there; knowing also that several rumors based upon those charges went through the country and reaching here; knowing also that there are parties who had made protest and sent it to the state department, attempting to prevent the issuing of my commission; knowing also that the state department has set that protest aside and has granted my commission; I have come here this evening for the purpose of volunteering to you evidence that shall show those accusations to be false and also the ground upon which they were made, and why they were malicious. I say malicious because I know what that word means. Those wild rumors were based entirely upon an incident surrounded with just such circumstances as permitted a low set of scandal mongers to use it for a violent purpose. These people were my bitter enemies for a reason that, I can show to you plainly, I was entirely justified, and feel proud I had such enemies on the ground they became my enemies. If you people can set aside all prejudice, there is not a man here but what can see plainly why I had those enemies there. The facts are just these: They were enemies of mine before I ever went there; they were combined, allied against any man who would succeed Mr. Meredith. It was acknowledged by the parties themselves. The Board was divided and then divided evenly all that summer. They couldn't elect a man."

Mr. Bogart then proceeded to state that Mr. Meredith, his predecessor, was kind and good natured man, too good natured for his position and the schools ran down to such a mark that one faction decided upon his removal and another decided upon the contrary. When Prof. Bogart took charge of the schools there was no discipline. Little girls 11 and 12 years of age would tell the teacher to shut her mouth and boys would throw things across the room at the teacher. During the first two or three months Prof. Bogart was there he found he had a load. The first essential was to require obedience. He was defied by the children, and their parents told them that if he laid his hands on them they should kick him out of the school as far as they could. He was finally compelled to use corporal punishment with the boys. With the girls he couldn't do this. Some boys he finally suspended until he could have some assurance that they would do better. They remained suspended and disturbed the schools on the outside. He appealed to the parents, but was only met with insults, and finally he was compelled to have the boys arrested and made them pay their fines. This created a bitter determination for vengeance upon Prof. Bogart. It was outspoken. His family feared for him every night he was on the

street. In the spring of the first year a determined effort was made to throw Prof. Bogart out of the schools, but it failed. A charge of outrage similar to the one now made by the Yates girl was made against him, but kept under wraps. The School Board humiliated it down to a fair old woman and to ease one of the leaders of one of the Protestant churches, who backed down and acknowledged that he was wrong and that he had lied. That was only at the close of the first year and Prof. Bogart knew nothing of what had been going on until the schools opened for the next year. Prof. Bogart finally got the schools in the condition a superintendent should have them and next brought wrath upon his head by obeying the law, the School Board and Board of Health in enforcing the vaccination regulations, although he did not do so until after exercising all the discretion within his power in behalf of families he knew were too poor to pay the fee required. Finally he was compelled to suspend children who had no certificates and the times of abuse that were heaped upon him cannot be imagined. The parents sent him abusive letters and they said they didn't care for the law.

Coming down to the charge made by the Yates girl Superintendent Bogart said: "I am not under oath here, but every statement I make shall be sworn to. This girl is a little child that not a man here would see her—no man of pure feeling, of good judgment, of sound sense would believe that any man would have his passions aroused by such a little thing. It is ridiculous. It is villainous. It is impossible. To throw out any such an insinuation is stooping to the lowest and a heinous crime. So help me God! I don't want any man to stand before me and say they are true. I don't say what I would do, I play that child, but those parents I cannot. If the child is innocent of entering into such a heathly scheme she deserves to be praised, because she is too young, too child-like to realize what she has done. It is a disgrace to suggest such a heinous insinuation of that kind. The child went home and the next morning made the assertion. The father had gone to a member of the Board before he came to me. I could not stand to hear that man talk about it. I said 'No, sir, you can't talk to me about such a thing. Somebody has gone crazy. I will go to your house and there you can talk, and no place else.' We went there, himself, his daughter, his wife, and myself at there. I said 'Chara, what in the world have you been doing?' She admitted then and there that she had gotten things all mixed up with her dreams; that she had awful dreams that night and that she had mixed up and didn't know what the truth was. Her father took her to another room and was gone 15 or more minutes when he returned and said, 'I am not the man to realize what she has done. It is not the same story at all and we must drop this matter.' Mrs. Yates said so, too. I said, 'Go and tell Mr. Hunter, the member of the Board you have been talking to, and tell him the matter has been dropped.' We went to Mr. Hunter and Mr. Yates told him that Clara's statements differed so that the matter must be dropped, and I went about my business. But the story had gone around. In a moment's time my bitter enemies got hold of it. It was out of our reach and the consequences are before you. This, and thus far, I volunteer for your consideration. What I have said, so help me God! is as true as gospel and no man dare face me and say it is not."

When Superintendent Bogart concluded Secretary Hanna arose and released what appeared to be a finished newspaper bearing on the charge and criticized Prof. Bogart for assaulting the people of Knoxville. He said that was a defense and supposed that if the Board would demand Prof. Bogart's resignation it would be assented in like manner.

Mr. Hanna then proceeded to read the affidavits of Clara Yates and those accompanying them, all of which were read at the last meeting, and closed by saying that if Mr. Toole visited Knoxville and had other knowledge of facts he should be called in.

President Price said he didn't know about that and was about to add something when Mr. Devitt jumped up and said, "If we are going to try this case I think we ought to have our side represented as well as yours."

Mr. Price: "Which do you call mine? I don't want you to become so personal, if you please. We'll hear all proper evidence. I don't think this is a trial. We are having affidavits read and I don't want you to become personal."

"O, excuse me," said Mr. Devitt, as he resumed his seat.

President Price then continued: "You have had the affidavits here and as regard to Mr. Toole going out there I want to say we are 15 men members of this Board and we ought to decide from the evidence on both sides as to what we can make of this thing, and if that is not satisfactory you know then what to do."

Mr. O'Brien: "You have to go further than the Board. It looks to me that this thing will have to go to the citizens of this town if we cannot agree."

Mr. Price: "Not until the Board is done with it."

Mr. O'Brien: "We ought to be done pretty soon with it."

Mr. Price: "You have only heard one side of it."

Mr. O'Brien: "That is all. I think this committee appointed at the last meeting ought to have a hearing on the case."

Mr. Price: "The committee was appointed to attend a hearing, provided there would be one."

Mr. Hanna then arose to speak and Mr. Edwards raised a point of order that Mr. Hanna was monopolizing the floor and Mr. Hanna said he thanked the gentleman for checking him off at that particular time.

President Price then proceeded to read a series of affidavits and papers. The first was an affidavit by five of the six members of the Knoxville School Board, in which they swore, among other things, that the father of the Yates girl appeared before the members of the Board and wanted to drop the matter, but this was not permitted, as the father had unthoughtfully allowed the story to gain circulation. That a meeting of the Board was held and it was agreed, by the Board, and was fully coincided with by Prof. Bogart, that owing to the rumor having gained circulation that his resignation should be accepted. Continuing the affidavits the members swore that they never discovered any act of Prof.

## WILL CLEVELAND BOLT IT?

A Significant Statement From Assistant Secretary Hamlin.

### SECRETARY HERBERT'S ATTITUDE.

It is Authoritatively Announced That the Head of the Navy Department Will Not Support the Nominess of the Democratic Convention at Chicago.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Assistant Secretary Hamlin, of the treasury department, gave out a short statement yesterday afternoon in explanation of his position with regard to the Democratic platform and nominations. Inasmuch as Mr. Hamlin represented the administration forces at the Chicago convention, and as he has been in frequent consultation with Secretary Carlisle over the political situation since the adjournment of the convention, the statement made by him will undoubtedly be accepted by many as a semi-official declaration of the position of the sound money man of the administration. This impression is further strengthened by the belief that Mr. Hamlin has seen President Cleveland since the adjournment of the convention. He spent several days at Marlton, near Gray Gables, on his way back to Washington from Chicago. The statement referred to is as follows:

"No political issue is involved in the coming election. The question to be decided is far deeper and more vital. The perpetuity of the republican institutions has been threatened. Every loyal citizen should ally himself against the forces which controlled the Chicago convention; forces of lawlessness, which are inconsistent with the maintenance of the republic. Henceforth, there should be no Republican, no Democrat, but a union of loyal citizens against the combined forces of repudiation and disorder. When once this dangerous element has been stamped out at the polls by an indignant people we can again divide and discuss those political questions which for generations have kept alive the two great political parties."

It can be stated by authority that Secretary Herbert will not support the ticket nominated by the Chicago convention.

Senator Hill Has Made No Statement.  
New York, July 15.—Senator David B. Hill arrived in the city last evening in company with Major Hinkley, chairman of the state Democratic committee. Senator Hill went to the home of W. C. Whitney, where he passed the night. Senator Hill is inclined to be a little vexed with the way some of the newspapers have assumed to know his views upon the matter. He said "I have not in any manner expressed my views to any individual or newspaper since my return from Chicago, and any publication purporting to express my views is made out of whole cloth, and not authorized. I have not given Tammany advice to support the ticket, neither have I advised them not to."

Urges Populists to Indorse Bryan.  
WASHINGTON, July 15.—J. H. Turner, who for the last four years has been secretary of the national committee of the People's party, in a signed statement urges Populists to support Bryan for president. He writes: "It cannot be successfully denied that the principles advocated by the Populist party have captured the Democratic party, and have driven out of its ranks that element which has always been opposed to true Democracy, and which from the beginning has been affiliated with the Republican party."

Puffer Favors Bryan.  
WICHITA, Kan., July 15.—The editor of the Kansas Commonwealth has received a letter from United States Senator Puffer in which he says: "The convention of the Democracy puts a new face on the political situation. The wise and patriotic course for us now is to unite our votes with those of all other friends of silver and enemies of the gold standard whenever such a union is possible. We can do this and still maintain our organization for future use in case of need."

Opposes an Independent Ticket.  
BALTIMORE, July 15.—The Baltimore Sun has an interview with Senator Gray, of Delaware. The senator does not approve the proposed independent movement in the Democratic party, as advocated by Illinois Democrats and agitated by members of the party in the west. In his opinion the wisest and most practical thing the single standard Democrats could do would be to endeavor to control the nominations for congress in every district in which they have strength enough to influence the result.

Disgruntled Kentucky Democrats.  
LEXINGTON, July 15.—The Democratic state committee meets here this afternoon. It is understood that the members from Louisville and others, have sent their resignations and will not serve in the organization after the nomination of Bryan on the Chicago platform. These members of the state committee and the pro-Bryanists in the legislature will co-operate with the national movement for another ticket.

George Fred Williams' Welcome Home.  
BOSTON, July 15.—George Fred Williams, fresh from the Chicago convention, received an ovation at the Democratic re-nomination meeting last night in Faneuil Hall. Mr. Williams explained his conversion to the cause of the silver standard and endorsed the national ticket.

At Breen's Bialto Cafe.  
Our free lunch to-morrow morning will be homemade vegetable soup. Every body invited to try it.  
Meals served at all hours.

That Business Boon.  
Must have got to its little work on Columbia beer judging by the way orders are rushing in for the new brew, Pale Extra and Cabinet. They are the leading and most popular brew throughout the Anstracite region, as everybody calls for them.

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### GIRVIN'S

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Little Folks Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmbach, of West Lloyd street, last evening tendered their son, Roy, a birthday party in honor of his ninth anniversary. A large number of Roy's little friends were invited, and those present had a very enjoyable time. The following little folks were in attendance: Clara and Irene Hillenbrand, Nellie McFulvie, Lillie Holmbach, Daisy Price, Alice Gise, Laura Male, Maggie and Lizzie Galligan, and Clarence, Harry and Wilbur Hillenbrand, Harry Boyer, Arthur Davis, John Graf, Harvey Price, Earl and Roy Holmbach. Refreshments were served.

Biggest Bargains Ever Known.  
In Straw Hats, 50, 75, \$1.00 straw hats are now selling at 25 cents. Come while they last. At MAX LEVIT'S, 15 East Centre street.

A False Alarm.  
Reports from two revolver shots started the residents in the vicinity of Keeney's factory on North Main street shortly after midnight last night. Mr. Keeney fired the shots because he thought burglars were trying to get into his house, but investigation showed that the noise was occasioned by a swinging screen door.

Big Bargains.  
In Still and Cash Hats. MAX LEVIT'S.

Settle a Worker.  
William Settle, the base ball player who spends several months in a year here, is playing with the Newark, N. J., base ball club of the Atlantic League and has the newspaper again talking about him. Last Saturday he pitched at Orange, allowing but two hits and on Sunday he was in the box, throwing both the Newark games, when eighteen more hits were made, or twenty for the three games, all of which he won.

Baker's Cafe.  
Our free lunch to-morrow morning will consist of nice filled beef and dressing.

The Defenders to Dinner.  
The Defender House Company No. 3, of Turkey Run, will hold a grand picnic at Columbia park on August 15th in order to raise funds with which to build quarters. The managers are David Howells, John O'Neill and Joseph Campbell, and Patrick Quinn, Michael Campbell, Patrick Muldoon and James Parnell will be the four managers. Give the boys a lift.

At Kephenski's Arcade Cafe.  
Vegetable soup for free lunch tonight. Meals served at all hours.  
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