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FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
William H. English,
OF INDIANA.

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GOTTFRIED KRUEGER, of Essex.
JOHN H. DIALOGUE, of Camden.

DISTRICT ELECTORS:

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| 2. TIM. A. BYRNES, | 6. JAMES F. MCINTEE, |
| 3. W. H. HENDRICKSON, | 7. EDW. F. C. YOUNG. |
| 4. RYNIER H. VEIGHTE, | |

FOR GOVERNOR,
GEORGE C. LUDLOW,
OF MIDDLESEX.

HURRAH FOR LUDLOW!

We had some hopes up to last Wednesday that a Hudson County man would be honored with the Gubernatorial nomination—in fact, at one time we were disposed to believe that a gentleman intimately connected with Hoboken would be the choice of the Convention. Our friends from the lower end of the State, however, proved themselves our superiors on this occasion; and, while disappointment is a natural consequence of defeat, there is much consolation in the fact that the victors have made such a selection as we from Hudson can cheerfully sanction, feel proud of his record as a Democrat, and give him our undivided support conscientiously as true Democrats. Our individual choice was Mr. Shippen, of this city, and his failure comes proportionately light owing to his never having been a pronounced candidate. He had many friends who were anxious to thrust the honor upon him as a fitting tribute to his many years of honest service and unflinching fealty to his party. He was fully alive to the desires of his friends, and would have been glad to accept such signal recognition, even though he never requested the same. Like the other candidates before the Convention—Messrs. Cleveland, Hardenberg, Allbright, Bird and Stockton—Mr. Shippen was satisfied with the nomination of Mr. Ludlow, and promised his hearty support.

Our next Governor is a gentleman of irreproachable character, a sound, life-long Democrat, a native Jerseyman, and a brilliant lawyer, who will prove in the coming struggle a fitting associate of the great Hancock and English team, and who will achieve the same success in his own State as our Presidential candidates will throughout the country.

"UNWILLINGLY TO SCHOOL."

"The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year"—at least they are close at hand for the school boy. A conflict of emotions is going on in many a youthful breast at this time, when the days of school vacation are about over.

Each school boy and school girl who has been studying the lesson of life and society at the seaside, or on the mountains, or in the modest home in town from which they cannot afford to depart in the Summer months, is counting the diminishing number of days and hours that lie between the fast moving present and the fixed day when the lessons of the school-book must be resumed. On Monday the public schools will be re-opened, and the boys and girls of Hoboken who have been having their "good time" since July are looking forward to what many of them consider the bad time of study and school attendance.

The private day schools, the boarding schools and colleges, resume operations somewhat later; but many of them are already making their announcements in the newspapers, the chiefs of the best of them knowing by experience that those first and most frequently presented to the public are sure to attract the most attention. There are new school hunters every year, because there are ever new growths toward the adolescence that demands other training than that which parents have time or intelligence to bestow; and such parents begin in midsummer to observe school advertisements, and study them, and make inquiries about them, so as to make the best selection possible for their young charges, who are growing above the age when home is the best of schools. The little fellows and the little misses have to make their first plunge into the outer world, and every parent wants to have it as little chilling and as little terrifying as possible; for the pangs of a first separation can only be mitigated by a knowledge that the young people are tenderly cared for, as well as properly taught.

The young people who are to begin school Monday are not newspaper readers yet, so that a sermon to them on their duties and coming responsibilities would be thrown away. But the parents may well be advised if they are selecting boarding schools, or even private day schools, to consider well the home and class system of all. If they cannot afford the luxury of the private schools, the public schools of Hoboken, where so many of our best citizens have been educated, are better than ever they were, and as good as any similar establishments in the Union.

"Once more who would not be a boy!" was the exclamation of Lord Byron as he reviewed his past light-heartedness with the cares which manhood brought, and which manhood's fame but seemed to intensify—and the "whining schoolboy with his satchel and shining morning face," who a few days hence will "creep like a snail unwillingly to school," should try to become a youthful philosopher and regard the hours in the playground as the brightest of existence, and the master's ferula as not of half the terror that the whips and lashes of an unsympathetic world may have in store for him.

Police Matters.

The Police Commissioners met in regular session Monday night, when Chief Donovan preferred charges against Officers Kelly and Minturn, the former for being late at the relieving post, and the latter for not reporting for duty at the previous Council meeting. Both delinquents were cited to appear. The Chief also charged Officer Henry Borch

with allowing a prisoner to escape. He was also notified to appear for trial, and in the meantime was suspended from duty and pay. Officers Wright, Breen and Bruning, who were absent from duty, were ordered to appear before the Board and explain. Officer John Kivlon was charged by His Honor Mayor O'Neill with being off post, electioneering at the late primaries, and he was also ordered to show cause. Officer Murray received a refund of eight days' pay, deducted for absence. The officer had been injured while quelling a disturbance the week previous. Frank Van Wort, an employe of the H. L. & I. Company, was granted special police powers. The request of Julius Nelson to be appointed chanceman was filed, and that of W. H. Geisler, who would like to be a Deputy Sheriff was returned, the Board having no jurisdiction. By a vote of 3 to 2 the salaries of patrolmen was increased from \$65 to \$70 per month, roundsmen from \$75 to \$80, and the Chief receives an advance of \$300 making his annual income \$1,800. Mayor O'Neill and Commissioner Utz were the dissenting voices. The pay-roll amounting to \$3,045.92 was passed, and Officer Wright was fined three days' pay for not reporting for duty.

Republican Primaries.

At the Republican primaries, held on Thursday night, the following were elected:

First Ward.—County Committee—Edward G. Brown, John H. Tangemann and John Livesey. County Convention—Wm. J. Livingston, C. L. Vallean and John A. White.

Second Ward.—County Committee—Wm. C. Morris and Richard B. Taft. County Convention—John Reid, Isaac Shreeve, Sr., and Wm. T. Hoffman.

Third Ward.—County Committee—Leon H. Kendrick, Samuel A. Besson, John W. Lewis. County Convention—John R. Wiggins, B. F. Hart, Samuel A. Besson, Barney A. Ziegel and Wm. A. Macy.

Fourth Ward.—County Committee—Isaac Ingleson and A. Samuel Barnitt. County Convention—James Ryer, Cornelius Cannon and D. B. Rockwell.

LACONICS.

—Engine Company No. 1 hold their annual election Monday evening.

—Last regular trips of the "Marion" to Rockaway on September 12.

—A Bachelors' Club was organized at 75 Washington street on Thursday evening.

—Prof. Wallace's dancing academy will open at the Franklin Lyceum in the early part of October.

—The regular Sunday services in St. Paul's Church, Rev. L. C. Newbold, rector, will be resumed to-morrow.

—Mrs. Fuchs, wife of a longshoreman, residing at 178 Park avenue, was adjudged insane by County Physician Converse, and ordered to Snake Hill last Tuesday.

—Murray's Pony Circus showed at the Elysian Fields last evening to light business. It can be justly termed a "pony" circus, and a very rank pony circus at that—not even worth a visit.

—Rev. D. B. F. Randolph, pastor of the M. E. Free Tabernacle, will occupy his pulpit to-morrow. Morning subject: "Forgetting the past." Evening: "Contentment; or, Vacation Reflections."

—Patrick McCarty, employed on the Steamer Deisford, of the Ocean Transportation Company, foot of Fourth street, fell down the hatchway of the vessel last Saturday night and sustained injuries which resulted in his death.

—The new ferry boat "Luckawanna" arrived from Newburgh last Tuesday, and will go into service in a few days. In the meantime her boiler and machinery is receiving a thorough overhauling by Chief Engineer Smith and assistants.

—The subject of the Rev. D. R. Lowrie's discourse at the First M. E. Church to-morrow morning will be "The Comforter." At the evening service a carefully prepared

sermon, entitled "The Struggle and the Hero" will be delivered. The vestry services will also be deeply interesting.

—Theodore Smith, of No. 34 Willow street, awoke last Monday morning at an early hour to find his wife dead by his side. The horrified man at once notified Dr. Pindar, who, without hesitancy pronounced the cause of death to be hemorrhage. Mrs. Smith retired apparently in good health and spirits the night previous.

—As the season for laying in a winter supply of coal is approaching we deem it appropriate to inform our readers that the old established and square dealing Hoboken Coal Company, No. 17 Newark street, cannot be excelled in the quality of its article or its prices. We earnestly advise dealers and others to call and investigate.

—The First Baptist Church, after having been closed for a month, will be re-opened for religious services to-morrow, both morning and evening. The pastor, Rev. W. S. Goodno, has returned from Ocean Grove, where he has spent his vacation with his family. Theme of the morning sermon, "Love's Call." Evening, "Image Painting."

—The Limerick ticket got badly "sat on" at the Second Ward Republican primary on Thursday evening. "Josh" had better dry up. He might with propriety return to the Greenbackers, if they would have him. "Josh" is afflicted with too much mouth, and foulness is one of its characteristics. It's a wonder his official brass buttons don't blush!

—Capt. Carnie, of the steamer "Marion," with his usual generosity, places his staunch little vessel at the disposition of poor women and their families who could not afford to indulge in the luxury of a trip to Rockaway Beach. Monday, the 13th inst., is the day set apart for this grand free excursion, and Mr. Carnie is at present distributing tickets for the trip.

—Joe Norton, one of the best jugglers in the profession, is nightly received with a grand ovation at Weber's Garden Theatre. Miss Wolny is a sweet and powerful German vocalist, her selections being of the highest order. Miss Adah Castleton continues to please nightly, and the Millers are as popular as ever. Next week Miss Bertha Rowe, an old Hoboken favorite, will be welcomed back after an absence of many months.

—A youth named John Brown, residing at 17 Willow street, was on Monday given money and sent to a drug store to purchase some medicine for his sick mother. Instead of doing the errand he joined some evil companions and spent the money for rum and got drunk. He was arrested on complaint of his father and mother, who declared he was good for nothing and beyond their control. Recorder McDonough sent him to the County Jail, and he will probably go to the Reform School.

—The new ferry-house will be opened to the public to-day. The structure is built in a peculiar design of elliptic art of the Queen Anne style, with gabled roofs and dormer windows, and externally presenting the appearance of old Crosby Hall, London, the favorite palace of Henry VIII. It is built with crossed beams and open timber roof, shingled with California redwood, and painted to imitate mahogany, with a variety of gold and bronze coloring. There is a bell-tower on the top of the building, which at night will be illuminated with signal lights.

A CLERGYMAN, RESIDENT IN HOBOKEN, desires a few private scholars in English or Classical Studies.

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COUNCILMANIC NOTES.

The Council Chamber was crowded, as usual, last Tuesday evening. Proposals were received and referred for the erection of a box drain in Second street, near Clinton. A number of citizens sent a communication to the Council favoring Frederick Muller as a competent and reliable citizen to perform the carpenter work on the new City Hall. A counter petition, signed by Dr. Chabert and several prominent tax-payers, opposed Mr. Muller and favored the majority report of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings in awarding the same contract to Charles Meister. A number of saloon-keepers, who were fined \$10 each for selling liquor without a license, requested a refund; referred. S. Overton, whose claim for \$132 for stone work on Hudson Square Park, and which was reported correct for \$100, stated in a communication that he was prepared to accept the latter sum rather than carry the case into court. The claim was ordered paid. C. Zabriski, of Jersey City, was awarded the \$60,000 worth of 5 per cent. bonds, his bid being found the most advantageous. The following veto on the Muller contract was received from Mayor O'Neill and sustained by the Board:

"The resolution adopted at your meeting of August 24, 1880, awarding the contract for the carpenter work at the new City Hall to F. Muller, I return to you, because I think it would be detrimental to the interests of the city to approve it. The impropriety of considering a bid, informal and defective in its character, to the exclusion of those that were in all respects in conformity with the advertised proposals, I need not dwell upon, but pass at once to what, I may assume, were your reasons for doing so, namely, that Mr. Muller's bid is the lowest and his bond sufficient and responsible. To award a contract to the lowest bidder is wise and prudent only when it is known beyond any doubt that the party to whom the award has been made possesses the ability and responsibility to carry out the contract in a prompt, efficient and workmanship manner. My duty to the city compels me to inform you that I doubt Mr. Muller's ability to do so, and my doubts rest upon a knowledge of his failures to carry out private contracts satisfactorily, which were of less importance than is the new City Hall. As to the bondsmen, we need not consider that in this case, because whoever receives the contract will be required to furnish ample security. Our greatest exertions and utmost care should be exercised to secure some one to fulfill this important contract who is thoroughly competent and certainly responsible. By so doing we shall avoid anything looking even remotely to trouble and litigation, which is not unlikely to ensue if we award it to any person insolvent and irresponsible. The authorities of this city have heretofore experienced difficulties with Mr. Muller, through his failure to keep his agreement by accepting the contract awarded to him to do the carpenter work on School House No. 4. Under these considerations, I am of the opinion that it would be unwise and unsafe to run any risk of the speedy and satisfactory completion of the important work by awarding the contract to Mr. Muller. There is no necessity to do so; bidders of high character and ample resources have proposed to do the work, and it is clearly our duty to deal only with those whose business records give assurance of a faithful performance of business obligations.

"Respectfully,
JOHN A. O'NEILL, Mayor."

The requisitions of the Police and School Boards for moneys to pay August expenses were passed. The question of contributing \$400 towards a firemen's parade was referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion. Some routine business, including passing claims, granting licenses, etc., was rushed through and the meeting adjourned.

Aquatic Pastimes.

The Castle Point and Orion Boat Clubs of this city are two junior organizations, with grand intentions, however, and since their formation both laid claim to containing the best oarsmen and to owning the finest boats, etc. This state of things was definitely set-

tled last Saturday, when a Castle Point crew, after a brief struggle, beat their rivals about four boat lengths in a three-mile race, which started from the Elysian Fields. The winning club was represented by C. Gaunt, J. Kerrigan, J. Entrup, C. Ackerman and W. Gilmore. The Orion crew comprised V. Emmerich, W. James, H. Calisch, G. Brightman and W. Havens. The defeated crew, though regretting the result, took it very good naturedly, and congratulated the victors. Good feelings prevailed throughout, and a sumptuous lunch was heartily enjoyed by the oarsmen and their guests on their return to the boat house. Ex-Mayor Russell acted as judge, and, as usual, gave general satisfaction. Several double and single scull races were also indulged in by the Orions, and, although defeated in the principal contest, they are gratified with the result of their first regatta.

Only four boats started in the annual regatta of the New Jersey Yacht Club last Wednesday morning, although every boat belonging to the organization had been entered. The largest boat, the "Emma," was wrecked off Monmouth Beach since the entries were made, and nearly all our yachtsmen, being prominent and interested Democrats, were at Trenton attending the State Convention. The course was from the Elysian Fields to and around Craven Shoals Buoy and return, making in all about twenty nautical miles. Thos. P. Rogers, Theophilus Butts and Joshua Benson acted as judges, and John G. Peters, George E. Gartland and Frank T. Dilworth comprised the Regatta Committee. The following are the boats and time of starting and finish:

CLASS B.					
Name.	Start.	Finish.	Actual Time.	Corrected Time.	
Charm	11 29 30	3 48 00	4 18 30	4 18 30	
Dare Devil	11 27 00	3 48 00	4 21 00	4 18 40	
CLASS C.					
Name.	Start.	Finish.	Actual Time.	Corrected Time.	
Pauline	11 21 10	4 15 00	4 54 50	4 54 50	
Freddie	11 21 00	4 20 00	4 59 00	4 57 50	

Honor to Whom Honor is Due.

At the last session of the Police Board Officer Flattery was referred to in glowing terms for his successful exertions and heroic act in saving the life of a fellow-being at the risk of his own life on July 19th. The circumstances were fully published at the time, and will be remembered as a most determined attempt at suicide by an insane woman who jumped from First street dock into the river and was rescued by Mr. Flattery. The following is a copy of the resolutions drafted and unanimously adopted, and which will be presented to the brave officer neatly engrossed and framed at the private expense of Mayor O'Neill and the other members of the Board:

WHEREAS, On July 19, 1880, Patrolman John Flattery did, at the risk of his own life, plunge into the Hudson river at the foot of Newark street, and rescue therefrom an aged and partially insane woman, who was attempting self-destruction, and

WHEREAS, Such an act of coolness and heroism on the part of a member of the force, in the opinion of the Board, should not be passed by without some token of recognition; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board do compliment Patrolman John Flattery for his bravery in the act above mentioned, and for his indomitable pluck, perseverance and presence of mind in risking his own life to save that of an unfortunate and partially demented fellow-creature.

JOHN A. O'NEILL, President,
WILLIAM JUDGE,
WILLIAM UTE,
MICHAEL LALLY,
JOSEPH RUSSELL,
Commissioners.

Attest: R. H. ALBERTS, City Clerk.

Educational Matters.

The last session of the School Board was rather a tame affair, and was proportionately refreshing as a change. Max Lesser would like to be appointed a teacher. Miss McClellan, of No. 3 school, resigned. M. McIntyre, late janitor of No. 3 school, and Mrs. Forbes, janitress of No. 2 school, who

left town quite suddenly some weeks ago, were both dismissed and their families temporarily assigned to duty. Misses Jackson and Lefman were appointed monitresses. The pay-roll, amounting to \$7,800, was reported correct and the Clerk ordered to present a requisition to the Council. A number of claims were reported correct and ordered paid and the meeting adjourned.

They Should be Looked After.

HOBOKEN, Sept. 3, 1880.

To the Editor of the Advertiser:

DEAR SIR—Would you please state through the columns of your paper that the corner of Grand and Sixth streets has become a sort of rendezvous for a crowd of young loafers, who seem to care as little for the police as they do for the feelings and comfort of peaceable residents whom they nightly annoy. I have adopted this mode of exposing our troubles in the hope that the authorities will use some stringent measures to break up this lawless gang.

Respectfully yours,
A VICTIM.

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Parties intending visiting Europe should bear in mind that the best place in New York to procure a complete outfit for an ocean voyage is at the old established Bazaar du Voyage, No. 1 Wall street, corner Broadway. The business is under the supervision of our esteemed friend and fellow-townsmen, Mr. J. H. Prichard, which is ample evidence that patrons from this neighborhood particularly will be well attended to. The stock at this establishment, consisting of steamer trunks, folding chairs, satchels, umbrellas, etc., is undoubtedly the largest and most varied in New York, and prices proportionately reasonable.

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THE CONSCIENCE FUND.

At irregular intervals a paragraph appears announcing the receipt by the Treasury Department of a contribution to the "conscience fund." These contributions now-a-days vary from one dollar to between one and two hundred. A few years ago they were much larger. The money comes from all parts of the country, Philadelphia and New York leading in the number of contributions. A member of Congress from New York, when Mr. Bristow was in the Treasury, referring to this fact, remarked that it showed conclusively that New York and Pennsylvania were the most religious States in the Union. Mr. Bristow replied that in his opinion it only showed that these two States had done the most stealing. The money which comes in from conscience-stricken people is on account of frauds on the customs, frauds under the income-tax, or on the revenue. The income-tax having been abolished some years ago, contributions on its account are very few now.

The first record of money received by the Government from repentant defrauders was in 1863. When General Spinner was Treasurer he kept the account separately, but the practice was discontinued. The money, now, as it has been for the greater number of years since 1863, when the contributions began, is turned into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts. Repeated attempts have been made by members of Congress to secure appropriations to be paid out of the conscience funds. If the money goes into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, it ceases to be a separate fund, and cannot be drawn upon. It is not known how much the conscience money amounts to. The total amount from Dec. 1, 1863, to June 30, 1874, as given in the Treasurer's report for the latter year, was \$162,914. Since then no account of the contributions have been kept. Treasurer Gillfillan, however, estimates that the money now foots up \$250,000.

The contributions, as a rule, come through the mail, with a note saying for what purpose the money is forwarded. Very frequently a penitential explanation is included. Some of these explanations are very curious, and some very laughable. The ladies contribute a good deal. They repent principally over false returns made under the income-tax, and for having evaded the duties upon articles of dress.

A lady visited this country from England. She smuggled in, while here, a silk dress pattern. A short time ago she wrote, confessing the evasion of custom duties, and sending fifteen dollars to clear her conscience. She gave the value of the dress, and wanted the balance sent back to her if the duties did not amount to fifteen dollars. The customs division of the Treasury made a computation based upon the duties charged in 1864, and found that the lady owed exactly seven dollars and fifty cents. The balance was remitted.

Ministers of the gospel are very frequently the medium through which the money is refunded. While administering spiritual consolation, the confession of defrauding the Government is made, and a restitution follows. The clergy transmit the money without mentioning the names. The largest single amount ever received was \$15,000 in United States 7-30 notes. This contribution was announced in the newspapers. Many ingenious attempts were made to get this money out of the Treasury. One man said that his father had sent the contribution, and said that he was crazy. The contributor of it had carefully cut out the number of the notes, so as to make it impossible to discover from the books who had sent them.

BLUFFING A CROWD.

Soon after dinner yesterday seven or eight politicians were smoking and chatting under

the portico of the City Hall, when they were joined by a long-haired, mild-looking, long-waisted stranger, who seemed just dead with consumption. He leaned against one of the stone columns and listened to the talk for a few minutes, and exhibited no great interest until one of the party asserted his belief that Garfield would carry Ohio.

"H-how much d-d-do you want to bet that h-he will?" inquired the stranger, as he straightened up.

"Oh, I wouldn't mind a bet of ten dollars."

"I'll b-bet you one t-thousand d-dollars against two h-hundred!" continued the stranger as he went down into his coat-tail pocket and fished up an enormous wad of money.

The politician crawled on the grounds that he never bet, and the stranger looked around and asked:

"Is there anybody h-here who w-wants to b-bet that Hancock will be 'l-lected? I'll b-bet him a t-thousand to five h-hundred!"

There were no takers. Then he waved his wad of bills on high and said:

"I'll m-make the s-same bet that Garfield will be defeated."

The crowd looked at each other and then across the street, each man as dumb as a clam. The silence lasted for a minute, and then one of the group remarked:

"Well, it will probably be a close struggle."

"W-will it? I'll b-bet you a t-thousand to five h-hundred that it won't b-be!" promptly replied the stranger.

No one spoke again for thirty seconds, and then the remark was made that both parties were preparing for a great struggle.

"Struggle b-be darned! I'll b-bet you five h-hundred to three h-hundred that there won't be any struggle!"

One or two men shoved their hands into their pockets and jingled their keys, but it ended right there. When the silence had grown painful, the consumptive asked:

"Do any of you g-gentlemen notice any impediment in my s-speech?"

"Yes," they all replied together.

"P-put up your m-money—one t-thousand to two h-hundred that I don't s-s-stutter any more than any of y-you!" exclaimed the man, as he began to untie the string around his roll of bills.

Not a hand moved, and after a minute the stranger waved his money and said:

"Or I'll b-bet you five h-hundred even up that I d-d-o s-s-stutter like b-blazes!"

One backed softly into the hall, followed by a second and a third, and in a minute the stranger was left alone. Then he untied the string, peeled two one dollar bills off the roll and put them in his pocket, and threw away the "core," which was simply a wad of paper. He had bluffed the crowd over and over again on exactly two dollars.—*M. Quad.*

Only a Campaign Straw.

He had on a duster, had a valise in one hand and a silk umbrella in the other. He came into the office and asked:

"Is the managing editor in?"

"No, sir, not at present."

"When will he be in?"

"Can't say, sir. May be an hour, may be five."

"Have you a telephone to his house?"

"Yes, but the wire has got crossed with the butcher's at the corner, and every time we call for editorial copy we get a beefsteak. Can I do anything for you?"

"Well, I suppose I'll have to put up with you. Sorry he's not in. As I was coming in on the Lake Shore train we took a vote —"

Papers on the person of the deceased indicate that he was a Cincinnati drummer.—*Cleveland Herald.*

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