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SCHOOL BOOKS.

The Times has been seized with a sudden and violent attack of indignation at the selection of school books by the State Board of Education.

The Harper Brothers, who are the publishers of the Wilson readers rejected by the State Board, had, under Radical regime, for years a monopoly of the school book trade in this State.

We have examined the law, and the resolutions of the State Board under which the Superintendent of Public Education acted, and we have fully informed ourselves as to the terms of the contract made by the State Board with A. S. Barnes & Co.

And now as to the books adopted by the State Board. The contract made with A. S. Barnes & Co. is, as we have said, very liberal, and considering the great number of indigent children in the State in whose interest it was made, and the superiority of the Watson readers over the Wilson series, we think there is much to be said in favor of it.

In the Watson readers—the series adopted—there are many excellent selections, but we were inexpressibly shocked to see on page 213 a note of some length highly eulogistic of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

to the temptations, the errors and the wants of to-day. His sympathy with nature, acute observation of men and things, remarkable analysis of character, apt illustration, mental elasticity, soul strength and affluence and power of diction are equally apparent in his writings and his extemporaneous speeches.

We write with no purpose of censuring the School Board, but to call their attention to this flaw, nay this black and overshadowing vice in the Watson readers, that they may take such steps as they deem proper.

THE PRESIDENT.

Southern papers and politicians are becoming just a little disgusting in their adulation of Mr. Hayes. The fraudulent President cannot open his lips but a thousand pencils are ready to declaim upon the wisdom of his utterances and a thousand tongues to echo his twaddle.

It is time that this toadyism were ended; it is time for the people to judge Mr. Hayes by the principles upon which his administration is based and the measures which it pursues.

There is not an intelligent man in the United States—there is scarcely a woman or child—who does not know that Hayes was made President by fraud. There are many who deny the fact; there are others, like the Picayune, who would smooth over the disgraceful business.

The allegation that our present status is due to Mr. Hayes' good will, and that we owe him a debt of gratitude, is false in fact and vicious in morals. Mr. Hayes was and is as much of a Republican as Grant or Morton.

fraud, and Hayes agreeing, for the Presidency, to accept the Southern policy of the Democrats.

Where the debt of gratitude comes in we cannot see. Hayes owes much to the forbearance of the South, while he has given the South nothing but what the country forced him to give; nothing but what he found it absolutely necessary to give.

THE WORKINGMAN AND THE TARIFF.

Among the stereotyped resolutions of the various workingmen's parties is one demanding protection of home manufactures and industries against foreign competition.

The mistake of President Hayes in not retaining Zach Chandler in the Cabinet was never duly appreciated by him till he found himself in the midst of the Southern tour, and the great Michiganard not there.

"Two gentlemen from Ohio" have just taken advantage of Secretary Schurz's absence to make a raid on the clerks of his department for subscriptions to the Ohio campaign fund.

We have already noticed McCrary's convenient construction of the civil service order with reference to campaign fund subscriptions among the employees of the War Office.

Between an unwonted zeal to please Sherman and Hayes and an equally unwonted fear of the clan Cameron, the commission appointed to examine into the Philadelphia Custom-House have evolved a strangely equivocal and contradictory report.

"We take pleasure in reporting our conviction that, on the whole, the condition of the service at the present time is reasonably satisfactory; that it is conducted to the gen-

eral approbation of the business community; that corruption is apparently unknown."

It is quite evident from this that the Philadelphia commission availed itself of the experiences of the Jay commission, whose recommendation of wholesale removals of the New York officials incurred the wrath of John Sherman.

"There's nothing in a name." That observation of poaching Bill of Avon must be true, for there's Waterston. There isn't in the world, and never was, a man, woman or child with such a perverted and totally disrupted and altogether depraved instinct with reference to the eternal fitness of things as to have named that fellow that name.

Mr. Waterston's cold and sullen nature expanded into unaccounted warmth yesterday, under the sunshine of a President's de facto smile.

It is asked of Grant that, when Hayes asked him for the names of such persons as he specially desired should be retained in office, he modestly blushed and handed in those of but two persons, Badeau, Consul General at London, and—the ruling passion strong in death—brother-in-law Cramer, Minister to Denmark.

The Philadelphia papers deny the story of John W. Young's proposed marriage to the Cobb girl; at least, they say that his wife Libby is at her brother's, a Mr. Canfield, in Philadelphia; that she did not leave her husband for the cause assigned, and knows and believes nothing of it.

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DIED.

MARCHESSAU—Friday morning, September 21, 1877, at 10 o'clock, George Marchesseau, aged 83 years, a native of Canada, and a resident of this city for the past forty years.

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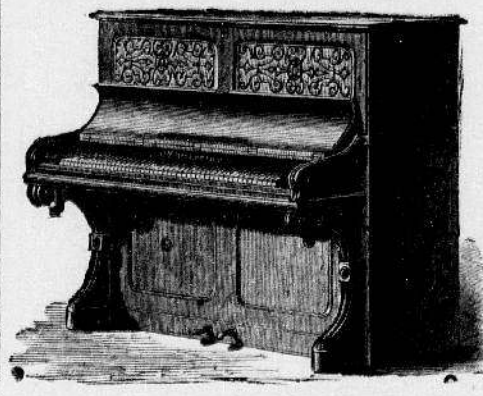
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