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A movement is on foot to organize a company to put down gas mains in Downers Grove and supply its residents with illuminating and fuel gas, provided the franchise can be secured for the village for a term of years. If Downers Grove is to be at all progressive, electric lights will sooner or later be the means of illuminating, and taking everything into consideration, the cheaper of the two. For street lighting, gas would be no better than the old gasoline lamps we are now afflicted with. Then too, it is extremely doubtful if the village fathers will grant such a company a franchise. When the water pumping station was erected, provision was made for a part of the structure being utilized as a power house for an electric lighting plant—to be put in at some future time—and be owned and operated by the village, but under the present state law cities are prevented from furnishing light to individuals, but can put in a plant to light their streets. This law is wrong and the objectionable feature of it should be eliminated. Cities, towns and villages furnish water to individuals and why not light? The law was passed at the instigation of corporations who wished to monopolize the business, and of course charge what they pleased for current. Still there are numerous cities and towns who, notwithstanding the law, own their own lighting plants and furnish lights to individuals. Rockford is one and our sister city Hinsdale is now about to follow Rockford's example. While we are averse to going outside the law, still if we must have better lighting facilities, and this seems to be a foregone conclusion, let a plant be installed by the village if it can only light the streets, pending such time as our legislators will introduce bills changing the present law. Then let light be furnished at the lowest possible cost to consumers. Beyond all question electricity is the only means of illuminating and with the exception of perhaps being used for fuel, gas is practically a dead letter.

Mrs. Florence Kelley, state factory inspector, and Mrs. A. C. Stevens, assistant inspector, were in Springfield last week in the interest of child-labor legislation. At their request Col. Bryan introduced a bill on the subject which embraces the essential features of the bill considered at the regular session. It forbids the employment of children under 14 years of age. In this respect it simply extends the operation of the law as it now stands, which applies only to the employment of children in factories and workshops. The bill also forbids the employment of children between the ages of 14 and 16 who cannot read and write. It is also made unlawful to employ minors at occupations dangerous to life, health or morals, or to keep children under 16 at work more than eight hours a day, or more than six days a week.

If half the atrocities of which H. H. Holmes is suspected were committed by him, he is one of the few horrible monsters whose names figure in human annals as synonyms of crime. He belongs with the Borgias of Italy and the Whitechapel murderer of England—"by merit raised to that bad eminence." Every day brings intelligence pointing to an additional victim. The list is now almost incredibly long. It is asserted by the president of the Fidelity Mutual Life Association that this arch fiend is guilty of at least twenty murders.

In a personal letter from Colonel Bryan he states that he does not think the present special session of the general assembly will last more than two weeks longer, and if the business of cannot be transacted in that time they will adjourn till fall. -Times Independent.

A railroad official is authority for the statement that within two months the big Aurora shops of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad will be working a full force for the first time since the great strike. That means the employment of 2,000 men. The company has been increasing its force gradually. As a sign of returning prosperity one Aurora company is building a large new factory. Another has moved into larger quarters, and several are finding additions to their factory buildings necessary.

Secretary Carlisle, Hoke Smith and several other cabinet members were formerly rabid free silver advocates. "Coin's Financial School" wasn't a circumstance to some of their promulgations when they were in positions to speak their own sentiments. But Cleveland owns them now and the country rings with their "patriotic" speeches in favor of "honest money."

Dr. Edward Beecher, whose death at the age of 92 was announced Monday, gave the most fruitful portion of his life to Illinois. If somewhat less famous than either his father, Lyman Beecher, or his brother, Henry Ward, or his sister, Harriet Beecher Stowe, he was himself, among the clergymen and educators of his time, an originator and leader.

President Cleveland and cabinet are deeply engrossed in the question of how they shall evade paying the sugar bounty. The only bounty that this administration favors is a bounty to the Rothschilds in compensation for taking our bonds at less than market price.

BOODLING AND POLITICS.

The present legislature is characterized by rabid partisan democracy as "a republican legislature," and under that description is unwilling to make an investigation of the charges affecting the integrity of certain of its members. It is affirmed explicitly that the republicans of the legislature are responsible for preventing an investigation into accusations of venality in connection with legislation.

But what is the fact? In the negative vote on the Merriam resolution it appeared that fourteen democrats and twenty four republicans in the house were determined to prevent investigation, if that were in their power.

Responsibility for defeat of the Merriam resolution lies upon both democrats and republicans, but it does not extend to either party as a party. Your boodler is not a democrat and he is not a republican when boodling. To boodle it is first necessary to discard party adhesion. Boodling is not the exclusive trait or tendency of any party. It is a practice adopted with more or less eagerness, and carried off with about equal pertinacity according to opportunity, by venal men of all parties.

It would be unjust, however, to that distinguished democrat, Clayton E. Crafts, now serving his seventh consecutive term as a member of the lower branch of the general assembly, not to admit that he is the leader of the contingent of both houses composed of persons not supposed to be at Springfield for the per diem of a member of the general assembly or for the salubrity of the climate of Sangamon. -Times-Herald.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Instead of the usual midsummer dullness incident to business at this season the reports from the commercial agencies contain much that shows that the impetus of the industrial awakening manifested in the spring is still strong enough to carry the general improvements forward, and that new enterprises are being started and continued animation pervades the business world. This is natural enough, for, after such a depression as has existed during the past two years, when the rebound does come it is with an accelerated force, and men act with greater vigor, as if to make up for lost time.

And so we see them taking advantage of the summer months in order to be the better prepared for the autumn. These signs are particularly visible in Wall street at this moment, for, with the assured crops of wheat and

oats and the promise of a harvest of corn almost unparalleled in the history of the west, capital is again seeking the better class of railway securities for investment.

This, next to the advance in the price of iron, is the most potent sign that prosperity has come for good.

The watchword now is, look forward! The dark days have passed; the golden days are surely and swiftly coming. -Times-Herald.

WEATHER CROP BULLETIN.

The general and heavy showers of the past week, together with temperatures slightly below normal, have proven highly beneficial to growing crops. Severe storms occurred in the Illinois river and northwest counties on Friday, but while great damage was done it is not irreparable. The water famine has been greatly relieved and springs, wells and streams are filling. Pastures, late potatoes, gardens, millet and fodder crops, are doing well, and late potatoes promise a good yield. Corn has made marvelous growth and roasting ears are plentiful in early fields, with a large crop practically assured. Threshing of wheat, rye and oats have been retarded by the rains and some damage has resulted by sprouting and smut in the shock. Fall plowing is general in central and southern counties with the ground fine and mellow. Fruit is exceedingly plentiful in all southern and central counties, with fair crop in northern. Trees are bending under the load of fruit and early markets are glutted.

NORTHERN SECTION.

The week has been slightly cooler than the normal season, with scattered thunder showers, light in east and heavy in central and west counties. The storm of Friday approached a tornado in severity in Bureau county, and gave high winds, with heavy rains, along the Illinois river and north and west to the Mississippi. Considerable damage was done to corn and wheat, rye and oats in the shock; also to barns, fences, orchards, trees, windmills and light buildings. Corn continues to grow rapidly and is forward for the season. Threshing of wheat, rye and oats has been retarded by the rains. Late potatoes are growing finely and promise a large crop. Pastures are once more good, and uncut meadows may yet give fair yield. Much cane, corn and millet is being sown for fodder and hay. Water is plentiful, and springs and wells filling.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. COUNTY OF DU PAGE, } In the Circuit Court of said County. J. Warren Rogers, vs. H. M. Taylor, A. R. Heckman, The Interstate Building and Loan Association.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of two decrees of said court entered in the above entitled cause on the 27th day of September, A. D. 1894, and the 24th day June, A. D. 1895, respectively: I, Howard H. Goodrich, Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of said county, will on Saturday, the 27th day of July, A. D. 1895, at the hour of 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon of said day at the north door of the court house in the city of Wheaton in said county and state, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash certain premises described in said first mentioned decree and as follows to-wit: Lot No. 19, and the north 1/2 & 1/4 feet off lot No. 18, in Block 3, in Straube's addition to the village of Downers Grove, being a subdivision of part of Lot 4, of the Assessment Subdivision of Sections 7 & 8, Township 33, North Range 11, East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, together with the improvements thereon, situated in the county of Du Page and State of Illinois, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decrees and costs. Dated this 1st day of July, A. D. 1895. HOWARD H. GOODRICH, Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Du Page County, Illinois. SLUSSER & JOHNSON, Complainant's Solicitors.

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