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After much trouble the suburban electric railway company has come to the conclusion that the only means of securing the right-of-way through Riverside was by condemnation proceedings, which has been done. This brings the road so much nearer Downers Grove. The question naturally arises: What will be the feeling among those directly interested? and will the board of trustees see fit to grant this company right-of-way through the village where they want it? As the road is to pass through Hinsdale on the south, and as Naperville is south of Downers, it would naturally be supposed that right-of-way would be desired through the south side of the village. Should this be so it would also pass through, or very near, property belonging to Marshall Field, with perhaps the result of having this land subdivided and placed on the market in the near future.

The effect of this would be to engender opposition on part of north side property owners, and consequently opposition in the council. There has been, of late, too much factional feeling manifested. The building of this road here means much to Downers Grove as a whole and will enhance the value of all property, whether situated directly along its right-of-way or not. Downers Grove residents, irrespective of location, should pull together in this, as in all other matters of importance to the village.

Only eighty-three voters had interest enough in the school election last Saturday to come out and vote either for or against the proposition to change the heating apparatus in the north side building. This is to be regretted. While the proposition carried, by a majority of seven votes, the board was in hopes that the majority of the voters in the district would turn out and by their ballots demonstrate their wishes. But the majority who did vote said they were in favor of the change. Those stay at homes who were opposed have only themselves to blame.

We would suggest, now that the change is to be made to either steam or hot water, that the relative merits of each system be closely looked into before being installed. Hot water has its advantages, but for a reliable heating system in large buildings steam has been found to be much superior. It is quicker and at all times more reliable. Let us have a system that will be adequate to the demands upon it.

Coal of all kinds will be cold and dear in Chicago this winter.

The docks and yards do not now contain nearly enough coal to supply the usual demand. The close of navigation is at hand and the chance for replenishing the depleted stock is small. Lake freights are high, and but comparatively few coal-laden vessels are arriving at that port. Many collieries in the coal-producing region have been compelled to cease operations for lack of water, owing to the prolonged drought in those districts. The demand for coal in the east and north is unusually good this season, and as better prices are obtainable at those points the tonnage ordinarily sent to the Chicago market has been greatly reduced. No coal dealer will venture an opinion as to the probable highest price coal may reach before next spring, but all agree that under the present abnormal conditions extraordinarily excessive rates may obtain in the coal business. Both soft and anthracite coal are affected. The supply of both is short, while the demand is growing.

There are over thirty entries for the motorcycle contest, inaugurated by the Times-Herald, which will occur on Saturday, Nov. 23, on the Midway Plaisance. "Motorcycle" is the name given to the horseless carriage, and it is predicted will be the con-

veyance of the future. The fact that so many manufacturers have devoted their attention and inventive faculties to the manufacture of a self-propelling vehicle, gives some color to the prediction. The horseless carriage has been introduced in France, it is said with success, and some of the French carriages are entered in this competitive test. The judges selected are Major General Wesley Merritt, commander of the department of the Missouri, successor to Commander-in-chief Nelson A. Miles; Prof. John P. Barrett, city electrician of Chicago and chief of electricity at the Columbian exposition, and Henry Timken, president of the National Carriage Builders' association.—Aurora Beacon.

San Francisco is making a determined effort to induce the members of the republican national committee to select that city as the site of the next national convention. Chairman Joseph H. Manly, of the republican executive committee, is so sure that San Francisco will finally be chosen that he is already on his way to make the preliminary arrangements. meantime General J. S. Clarkson, of Iowa, Sam Fossenden, of Connecticut, and Garrett A. Hobart, of New Jersey, are aiding the California advocates. Secretary Wm. M. McKinley, is also said to have been practically won over to the Pacific slope slide. National Committeeman William J. Campbell, of Illinois, does seem inclined to make as stout a fight for Chicago as he has in previous years. Personally he wants the convention there again, but there is opposition to the scheme right in his own city.

The great exposition at Atlanta marks the success of an industrial revolution in the south little realized by many. Even a decade ago, the states of the south were looked upon as having little in common with their northern sisters, but the present exposition will furnish a magnificent object lesson of the great changes wrought in a few years—changes which associate in thought Georgia with New York and Illinois, Alabama and Tennessee with Pennsylvania, and even sections of South Carolina with the cotton manufacturing districts of New England.

A change in the road law makes it the duty of the commissioners of highways, together with the town clerk and supervisor, to meet ten days after the next annual town meeting in the township into three equal divisions as near as possible considering both territory and population, and file a plat of such districts in the town clerk's office. The purpose of such divisions is to have different portions of each township represented by a highway commissioner who is a resident of such district. No two commissioners shall be elected from the same.

The Oregon Republican well says that "Hon. A. J. Hopkins is making an elegant impression among the voters of Northern Illinois, and it certainly looks as though he is obtaining a hold upon the people that is lasting. We have few men in Illinois more capable, everything considered, of making a governor that will be the pride of the state, than Congressman Hopkins, and we will not be surprised if he is the nominee for that office, neither will we be broken-hearted if he is elected.

Senator Sherman's book is reviving a great deal of unwritten history in regard to the national republican convention of 1880, when Jas. A. Garfield was nominated for the presidency. Senator Sherman, without making a direct charge, intimates that Garfield, as his manager in the race for the presidential nomination, betrayed him. The sons of the late President Garfield deny this and threaten a complete expose of the affair.

There is now talk of injunction proceedings if the board of education goes ahead and levies the tax to change the heating apparatus in the north building. Wouldn't it have been a wiser course, for those opposed to have rallied their voters at the proper time? An ounce of prevention would have been worth pounds of cure in this instance. Stop your kicking.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

Interesting News Notes Ruthlessly Nacked from Neighboring Contemporaries.

There was a lively time at the C. B. & Q. locomotive machine shop, Friday forenoon. The big stationary engine, which has furnished the power for so many years, blew on a cylinder head, and went generally to pieces with a tremendous racket. Men ran in every direction thinking possibly the world had come to an end. The engine happened to be up above when the accident occurred, and escaped injury, and almost miraculously no one else was hurt.—Aurora Beacon.

Election for water works at Turner last week Tuesday brought out a large vote and a good deal of opposition, says the correspondent from that town to the Illinoian, and that from parties that were supposed to have the interest of the town at heart. A majority of 16 votes was secured in favor of water works. Some citizens were evidently a trifle excited, threatening to sell out and leave town in case the measure carried. If they were really in earnest, why the sooner they go the better it will be for the town.

Flying over the rails in Western avenue under a "fall head" of power, an electric car was Monday night dashed against the coach of a passenger train at 16th street. The latter was the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy limited west-bound train. The electric car struck the side, breaking the windows. The passengers in the coach were thrown into a panic, but the side of the car withstood the shock, and in five minutes the locomotive with all cars attached was speeding over the prairie, while the passengers excitedly discussed what they considered a narrow escape.

Sunday evening the residence of Mr. C. B. Lyon, 19 Spring avenue, was entered by sneak thieves and jewelry worth a considerable sum, belonging to Mr. Lyon's housekeeper, stolen. The family had spent the day with relatives at Downers Grove and on returning about 9 o'clock in the evening found a back window open and burnt matches scattered promiscuously over the floor and carpets. An investigation showed that a valuable gold watch, some rings and other jewelry belonging to the housekeeper were missing. The thieves did not disturb anything else in the house, passing through the dining room and leaving a large amount of silverware unmolested. They gained entrance to the house by prying open a back window, using a large pocket knife, which they left behind. It is in the possession of Marshal Ran and is the only clue to the robbery thus far obtained.—LaGrange News.

Once more Riverside is convulsed: Another breach of the laws has been committed and the plebian police are in her sacred precincts. This time it is no chivalric affair of honor conducted according to approved customs on the depot platform. A warrant is out and the sleuths are searching for a criminal, not a defunct bank cashier or a waterer of stocks, but horrible to relate a paltry butcher's clerk, and the amount involved is but \$250. It appears that Riverside has a purveyor of meats and groceries named W. A. Anderson and he employed as assistant one William Woehler. Mr. Woehler, it is alleged, went among Mr. Anderson's patrons and collected divers "small bills" amounting to \$250 and then decamped. For some time the supposition that the bills had not been paid did not worry Mr. Anderson, but when his clerk failed to return he became alarmed, checked up his accounts and then went to Chicago and, securing a warrant from Justice Richardson for Woehler's arrest, asked the aid of the detective department in locating the missing clerk.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

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- Henry Rippe to City of Naperville pt lts 8 and 10 blk 13 Naperville \$75.
- Margaretta Bonafas to Nicklus Litgens lt 3 blk 8 Woodlawn add to Naperville \$165.
- Catharine Bannister to Chas Boettger pt swqr 9 38 10 \$129.
- J L Paddock to Wm Howard lt 59 blk 1 North Elmhurst \$100.
- Chas Meltdorf to Aug Sylvester pt wht neqr sec 36 39 11 \$1,900.
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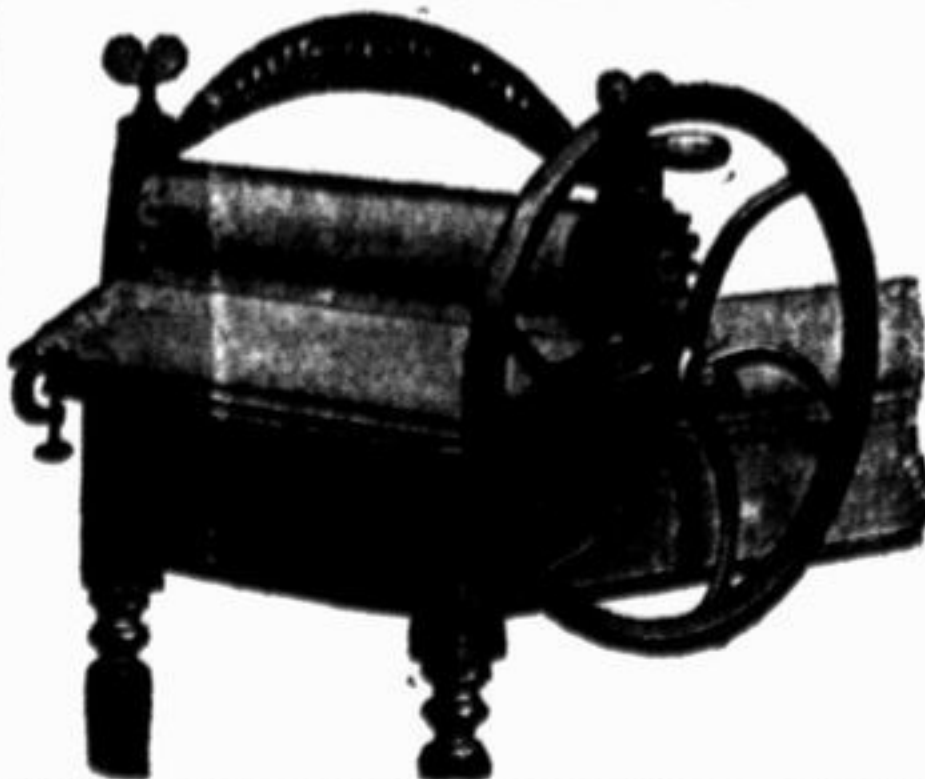
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