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Current Events.

A COURSE OF LECTURES

By California's Most Distinguished Lecturer and Reformer.

Prof. N. N. Riddell, Ph. D., has arranged to give a series of lectures in the Downers Grove Auditorium, beginning Monday evening, April 27, with a popular lecture on "Blunders of Life as Seen by the Humorist." Seats free. All are most cordially invited.

Prof. Riddell has just recently come to Chicago from the Pacific coast at the request of the W. C. T. U. to give lectures on heredity, human science and the scientific evidence of Chris-



tianity. The crowds who have listened to him in the city speak in the highest terms, both of the subject matter of his lectures and his power as a speaker. As a thinker he is rated with Joseph Cook, as an entertainer he is said to surpass Eli Perkins. By the request of the pastor he will speak at the Baptist church Sunday morning.

The Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church, give a bazaar at the Miller block this evening. Ice cream and cake will be served. All invited.

The new board of supervisors met Monday, April 20th and organized by electing C. D. Bartlett of Wayne, chairman. The committee on court house and grounds were instructed to procure bids for raising the roof of the clerk's office and building additional room and vaults.

California excursions, personally conducted, leave Chicago every Wednesday via the Burlington Route. Low fare and unexcelled accommodations. For full particulars write to T. A. Grody, excursion manager, 211 Clark street, Chicago, or apply to the local agent of the C. R. & Q. Ry.

There was about 80 votes cast at the village election Tuesday. There was scarcely any opposition to the caucus ticket. The result was as follows: For President, C. V. Carpenter received 68 votes; Chas. Curtis received two; for alderman Chas. Mochel 75; Schultz and Hughes, 74 each; Bert. C. White for clerk, received 76 votes.

Last Friday evening Mrs. L. P. Naramore gave a farewell reception to Misses May, and Bessie, and Master Reginald Ducat, at her home on Carpenter street. The hours were from seven to ten; eighteen happy lads, and lasses put in every minute having a good time. Mrs. Ducat and children leave next Monday for a years sojourn in Scotland.

Mrs. H. M. Cole will speak on Friday, April 24, at 3:30 p. m., in the Congregational Church, in the interests of scientific temperance instruction. She will discuss some every day habits that may begin the work of destruction which alcohol, as an after effect, at last completes. Every mother should hear this lecture. Mrs. Cole lectures under the management of the Woman's League.

Clarendon Hills may be a slow town. There has been no perceptible improvements in the way of building, street paving etc. for years. Not many new comers have been added to the population, yet those who do live there have not been sleeping through the past year, evidently if one is to judge by the result at the school board election Saturday night. The "No Woman" party were out in force and succeeded in securing 15 of the 32 votes cast. As there appeared to be no technicality this time, the "woman in the case" receiving the remaining 17 votes was declared elected.

The Modern Woodmen of America living in the vicinity of Chicago will hold their first annual picnic June 24, at Burlington park. Delegates from sixty camps met in session recently at Aurora, Ill., and completed arrangements for the first annual outing, which will be given under the auspices of the Naperville camp. At a recent meeting a special organization for holding picnics at Burlington park annually was effected. The name of the organization is the North Central Illinois Modern Woodmen Picnic association. The officers are: President, John H. Batten, Naperville; vice-president, A. B. Spickler, Kewanee; secretary, J. B. Martin, Aurora; treasurer, J. F. Temple, Galeburg.

WHEATON.

W. A. Shearson and wife returned from wintering in the South a few days ago, and are again at home in Wheaton.

Miss Cloora J. Prosser, our accomplished lady physician, was married last Thursday to Dr. Gilbert, of East Chicago. They will reside at Madison, Wis. It seems impossible for Wheaton to keep a lady M. D. any length of time as they all get married after being here but a short time. Miss Prosser has been here about two years and has made a host of friends during that time. The Board of Supervisors had a meeting at the court house on Monday, the 20th inst., and organized by reelecting C. D. Bartlett, of Wayne, chairman.

Elections have been all the excitement for the last few days. Saturday was the annual election for president and two members of the school board. There was no contest on these, E. H. Gary for president, and W. H. Fischer being elected to succeed themselves, and T. M. Hull being elected to fill the place made vacant by the removal from town of C. N. Gary. What made the election interesting was the proposition to increase our already burdensome taxes by the establishment of a free kindergarten for the children not old enough to attend school. The proposition was pretty effectually sat upon, receiving but fifty-two votes for to two hundred and forty-nine against; total vote, two hundred and ninety-nine.

Tuesday occurred the annual municipal election, at which one alderman was to be elected from each ward. In the Second Ward there was but one candidate running and he received all the votes cast, about sixty. In the First Ward there were two candidates, H. D. Compton and L. E. DeWolf. Neither of them made any special effort, and there was only ninety-four votes polled, of which H. D. Compton, the caucus nominee, received sixty, and DeWolf thirty-two, two being objected to as voting for neither candidate. But in the Third Ward where the fun came in. Every available vote in the ward being polled and Fox, the nominee of the caucus, beating Hagerman by fourteen votes, the vote being seventy-seven for Fox to sixty-three for Hagerman.

A new time table came out on the Northwestern Sunday morning bright and early making numerous changes, some new trains, among which is one leaves Wells street depot at 1:15 p. m., reaching Wheaton at 2:13, where it remains a few minutes longer than necessary to get the engine onto the other end of the train when it returns to the Wells depot, thus being exclusively a Chicago train and leaving the suburb of West Chicago out in the wet. It is but a few years since junction people used to crow over Wheaton because there was several trains that stopped there and ran through Wheaton without stopping. Now we have several trains that run through West Chicago without stopping, while all regular passenger trains stop at Wheaton. Tally one, on West Chicago.

In this connection it would, perhaps, be well to notice the improved appearance of the Northwestern agent, caused by the nobby uniform which the railroad company has caused its agents to adopt. There is also a fair prospect of Wheaton becoming an important railroad junction by the building of the new belt line recently incorporated. Wheaton hasn't seen fit to change its name in consequence.

It is more fun to see a man read a puff of himself in a newspaper than to see a fat man step on a banana peel. The narrow minded man reads it seven or eight times and then goes around and steals—appropriates—what copies he can. The kind hearted man goes home and reads it to his wife, then pays up his dues to the paper. The successful business man who advertises regularly and makes money by it, immediately starts out to find the editor and the two men leave the sanctum and walk silently and thoughtfully down the street together, the business man taking sugar in his, and they both eat a clove or two, and all life seems sweeter to them.—Ex.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I wish to announce to my friends and patrons that I have again secured the services of the upholsterer who has assisted me in former years, and am now prepared to do all kinds of upholstering, hair mattress renovating and repairing.

G. F. DAVIS.

MRS. MAGGIE MYERS, Williamsport, Ind., writes: "I suffered for months of severe stomach troubles, caused by indigestion and constipation. My trouble seemed almost unendurable. I purchased a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin of Armstrong and Swank and as soon as I had taken its contents I was like a new person, and I now feel better and weigh more than I have in years." It is sold in 10c, 50c, and \$1.00 sizes at W. S. Carpenter's.

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Additional local news on fifth page.

Blue and brown denim best quality at Nash Bros.

Fancy china teacups with Shearer's Pall Tea at Nash Bros.

Dr. J. A. Bell, of Naperville, was in Downers Grove Monday.

A little daughter of Mrs. John Farod is very sick with typhoid fever.

F. C. Lancaster and little daughter, Ruth, spent last Thursday in Ottawa, Ill.

Mrs. Fred Pease was a caller at Mrs. Josephine Austin's, last Friday afternoon.

Prof. R. T. Morgan, county superintendent of schools, was in the Grove, Friday.

Miss Caroline Tilton, of Chicago, spent Sunday with her cousin, Mrs. W. H. Barnhart.

Take your old furniture to Davis, and get it made as good as new. Hair mattresses renovated.

L. W. Stanley is still on the sick list, he begins to think the gripe, rather of an unpleasant disease.

Perhaps your stock of canned goods is exhausted—Thompson's isn't. Best quality and lowest prices.

Until electric lights are established, let Thompson furnish you with the best grades of oil at lowest prices.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barter, of Remington, Indiana, have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Al. Atwood this week.

Mr. Henry Todd and daughter are expected home today from Southern Kansas where they have spent the greater part of the winter.

Seventy-five pairs of men's pants to be sold out at \$1.00. It is just like giving them away. Come and take your choice. Bateman & Palmer.

The board of supervisors have notified all township assessors to meet with them next Monday, April 27th, to arrange for taking the 1896 assessment.

If in need of anything in the line of lawn mowers, refrigerators etc., it will pay you to call on Mertz & Mochel, as they have some special bargains in that line.

The C. R. & Q. will sell Homeseekers' excursion tickets on April 7th and 21st and May 5th to points northwest, west, southwest and south. Low fare. For particulars apply to G. H. Burns.

Low Chaffer and Miss Ella Case were married at Ellington, New York, on Wednesday, April 22. Mr. Chaffer has friends in Downers who are pleased to send congratulations, to himself and bride.

E. H. Watta, the Club block grocer, who has recently located here, is evidently a firm believer in judicious advertising, as his large ad in this issue will testify. He quotes a few interesting prices.

Arbor day was observed by the teachers and scholars of the schools here and a goodly number of fine trees were set on the school grounds. E. E. Downer furnished and set several fine trees on the north side school grounds.

The village board met last night and passed the electric light ordinance, under the plan proposed. Subscription blanks will be prepared and an active canvass made toward securing the necessary funds at once to erect the plant.

J. W. Rogers and Isaac Mason have formed a copartnership and will embark in the grain commission business in the city about the first of May. Both men are well qualified by former business experiences to make a success of this venture.

The Chicago Baptist Orphanage is the proud and happy possessor of a complete decorated dinner and tea set of ninety-six pieces, the gift of the "Charity Club," of which Miss Mann is president; Mrs. A. Heckman, treasurer, and Miss Mabel Rutherford, secretary.

Fred Rang, of Naperville, has purchased an interest in the Courtright bakery, the firm name now being Courtright & Rang. The gentleman comes highly recommended as an excellent baker, and will no doubt add considerably to the splendid reputation of this bakery.

The sports of our village will be delighted to learn that our young townsmen Ed. White and Ed. Reister are in active training with gloves for a bout with Corbett. We had the pleasure last Tuesday evening of witnessing one of their friendly bouts, which was very creditable, Mr. Reister receiving only one fall from an upper cut. Mr. Bailey is anxiously waiting to take a fall out of the champion.

Table oilcloth at Nash Bros.

Bulk seeds of all kinds at Thompson's.

Mrs. James Burns 's visiting friends in DeKalb.

F. Eliz or Escher is having a week's spring vacation.

Creamery butter 25c; fresh eggs 10c, at Bateman & Palmer's.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carnahan will entertain their friends at cards Friday evening.

Talk about style—you should see the style and quality in Thompson's line of spring shoes.

Mrs. Richardson has moved into one of J. B. Moss's houses just west of the north side lake.

Thompson has made hosts of friends through his excellent coffees. Try his Java and Mocha.

Davis, the furniture man, is now thoroughly prepared to do all kinds of upholstering and repairing.

Miss Della Wilcox has returned from Pullman, and is visiting her sisters Mrs. Guy Bush and Frank Owen.

Louie Klein has adorned his show window with a fountain with which he keeps his vegetables nice and fresh.

All kinds of bedding plants for sale at reasonable prices. Call at C. S. Foote's greenhouses, Downers Grove, Ill.

The Northwestern College Glee club spent a very pleasant time after the entertainment Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. Escher.

Call at Mertz & Mochel's and see the new improved (blue flame) oil stove. It is as simple and clean to use as gasoline and less dangerous.

Don't forget that we carry a full stock of paints, oils, brushes etc., and our prices are as low as reliable goods can be sold anywhere at Mertz & Mochel.

M. D. Horton, our genial contractor, has secured some large contracts at Niagara, N. Y., and leaves to day for that place, to take charge. May success be with him.

The Oddfellows and Rebekahs will meet at I. O. O. F. hall Sunday afternoon at 2:30 to attend the anniversary services at the Auditorium, which occurs at three o'clock.

We would call attention to the new advertisements of E. H. Watta, Bateman & Palmer, W. H. Barnhart and F. A. Brode in this issue. They are attractive and speak for themselves.

The M. E. Church society have purchased an elegant pipe organ of the Ducat estate, and the instrument is now in position in that church building. A recital will be given in the near future.

The Baptist Orphanage has been the lucky recipient of a number of useful and beautiful articles during the past week. Among them being a very fine folding oak table for the little folks from Miss Mann.

A. W. Brode has recently patented a combination bicycle lock that excels anything we have yet seen in that line. It is impossible to open it unless one is in possession of the combination and in point of looks is a beauty.

Here are some prices on canned goods at Bateman & Palmer's: Choice marrowfat peas, 3 cans for 25c; corn, 4 cans for 25c; tomatoes, 3 cans for 25c.

We have other inducements. Come and investigate. Our prices are down.

W. S. Alden and family are making preparations to move to their future home at Star City, Ind., either tomorrow or Saturday.—Mr. Alden has purchased a 220 acre-farm in the vicinity of that town and will engage in farming and stock raising on an extended scale. While the many friends of this esteemed family are sorry to see them depart, they all join in wishing them success and prosperity in their new home.

At the town election held here there were nine ballots cast which were not marked in any manner, and consequently were not counted. At the village election Tuesday there were five ballots cast in the same manner. Why a voter will go to the polls with no idea as to how he should mark his ballot, and ask for no information, is a mystery. He may as well stay at home and save his time. There are officers at the polls who will give the desired information and instruct the voters as to their ballots if they were asked. It is the duty of every citizen to inform himself in regard to these matters, so that he may act intelligently when the time comes. The officers of election say that Downers Grove has her share of the fools.