

THE REPORTER.

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NOTICE OF PRIMARIES.

To the legal voters of the township of Downers Grove: The primaries for the nomination of candidates for the following township offices will be held on Saturday, March 24th, 1897, from 4 until 7 o'clock p. m. in accordance with the resolution adopted at the township caucus held March 14th, 1896.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination of Township Collector of Downers Grove township, subject to the decision of the township nominating primaries.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for renomination for the office of township collector of Downers Grove township, and solicit the support of my friends at the township nominating primaries.

THE NEW CONGRESS.

The Fifty-Fifth Congress met Monday in extra session and lost no time in getting right down to business.

President McKinley's message is a vigorous declaration in favor of a protective policy and a clear and comprehensive statement of conditions that make prompt action necessary.

The new Dingley tariff bill was complete at the time Congress met, and was promptly introduced. It is expected that it will be passed and sent to the Senate in a fortnight or so.

A GOOD MEASURE.

The deadly cigarette received a death-blow at the hands of the Downers Grove village council Monday evening, in revising the ordinance for publication.

As a means of preventing in some degree the ruin of the health of the young boys in the village, this measure will have a salutary effect, and sensible minded people will rejoice that our village authorities have taken their present stand against the insidious evils of this nefarious practice.

THE NEW BILL FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE STATE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS.

The new bill for the reappointment of the state into judicial circuits, which has been agreed upon in senate committee, will make quite a change in this, the Fifteenth district.

Speaker Curtis of the Illinois house is to receive his reward. He is slated for a seat in congress, and a scheme is in progress of development for providing him with a brand-new congressional district.

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with Europe, and especially our meat and canned-goods trade with France and Germany, which now discriminate unjustly against these goods.

It is stated upon good authority that Col. Chas. P. Bryan of Elmhurst has been tendered the mission to Denmark by President McKinley.

The Carson City prize fight yesterday was a great disappointment to the entire country. It did not prove fatal to both contestants.

MOST ANY COLOR SO IT'S RED.

Fully three-quarters of the living population of Billingsville pass one day a week riding on the B. & O. trains, to and from Bigtown. Most of these travellers consider this such a pleasure that they are willing to pay six dollars and sixty-six cents each month to the company for the privilege of using the cars.

A few fortunate individuals have such a good stand-in that they are presented with gratuitous quarterly passes by the B. & O. officials. You can always tell the members of the Free List Society by the happy smile they wear when the conductor collects the fares.

Of course, no one who lives in Billingsville is so foolish as to begin in the morning of any particular day and travel back and forth for twelve successive hours just to get his money's worth; that would be too monotonous; but all, free list included, feel compelled to get that twelve hour ride each week.

For the benefit of its many patrons the B. & O. has introduced the installment plan in its train service, and gives to "commuters" and "dead-heads" one hour's ride each morning and another each evening, six days a week. To those who desire, two additional installments are given Sundays. Largely on account of a puritanical feeling among the people, but few take advantage of the company's generosity in this regard.

The early morning train, commonly called "Adam" train, probably because you have to raise Cain to catch it, leaves the little red depot two or three hours before daylight in winter, and five forty-five a. m. the rest of the year.

At six-twenty-three, more coaches glide over the hill. Anyone can ride on this train, but the Mercantile Special, leaving at six forty-seven, is devoted exclusively to the employees of the greatest dry goods and notion emporium in the west. Swift as they imagine their train is, it can't in it for a minute with the Record-breaker, which leaves Billingsville twenty minutes later. There's the train for your life! Only one stop! Goes so fast through Hightown that the doors fly open and the brakemen don't have to call the town. They just yell "door."

Those who run for the seven-seven and miss it are taken in at seven-twenty on the accommodation dinky. The stenographers' union occupy three coaches on the seven-fifty. Though somewhat short-handed it makes the run in schedule time.

Bankers, millionaires, bargain hunters, lawyers and other professional people leave Billingsville at any time after eight a. m. The Buffalo Limited at 9:43 is a great favorite on account of its excellent sleeping facilities.

In accordance with the command "The last shall be first and vice versa," the eight o'clock return in the middle of the afternoon, followed by the 7:30's, the left-overs, railway boys, merchants and the early birds in regular order.

The B. & O. train that leaves the Grand Central depot every evening at 6:40 makes two stops before reaching city limits.

A party of four young Billingsville sports got aboard as the train is pulled out and went forward to the smoker looking for a double seat. Their search was unsuccessful. The best they could find was one vacant seat, with the seat directly in front taken by two gentlemen who live at city limits.

The quartette concluded to wait for that seat. So two sat down and the others stood by ready to drop in when the train stopped. They did not take into consideration the stalwart American workman, who though downtrodden and oppressed, is still capable of making it very interesting for those who bump into him.

Several specimens of this type boarded the train at 14th street and one—a husky six-footer with muscles that would put Pompadour Jim to shame—got his eagle eye on that same seat and stood by also ready to occupy it.

As the train slowed up, the city limits gentlemen gave the young sports the wink and stepped into the aisle. The Hercules was a little too slow, for the boys quickly turned the seat over, catching one of his horny fingers in the act. The two waiting sports started to seat themselves with a grin at their success, when the strong man came to bat. He grasped the back of the seat and by a mighty effort threw it over with a crash that threatened to demolish the car, despite the united efforts of the quartette to hold it.

"You dod blasted fuden!" he exclaimed, as he seated himself, "I'll learn you that you ain't so blame smart as you think you are!"

And the quartette never said a word. They didn't really want to play cards anyhow.

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