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THURSDAY, DEC. 13, 1900.

It is reasonably certain that Judge Sherman of Macomb will be the speaker of the next house of representatives, as he was of the last. This was made apparent at the caucus of his supporters which was held in Chicago last Monday. It will require the votes of 41 Republican members of the next house to secure his nomination for the speakership, and there were forty-one members present at the caucus in Chicago. In addition, his managers claimed to have received pledges of support from fifteen other members who did not go to Chicago to attend the caucus. This showing settles the question of the speakership with reasonable certainty and appears to insure the re-election of Judge Sherman to the trying and responsible position which he filled successfully in the last legislature. An unusual combination of qualifications is required in a successful speaker, and Judge Sherman possesses the varied qualifications that are essential. He kept the house well in control, even during the stormiest periods, and his dispatch business more rapidly than his predecessors have done. His resolution will go far towards making the coming session a working and business-like one, and therefore will be especially satisfactory to the people of the state.

The idea that a town must necessarily depend upon a certain amount of trade is altogether erroneous. Just as soon as a town has a reputation as a money saver for the purchaser, just as soon as the farmer becomes convinced that he can get as much or more for his money, that town, no matter how small, will draw trade. There is nothing so sure to bring in customers to your store the second time as to give him a bargain the first time. The business transactions with a moderate profit make more money than one deal with a gain. And if merchants will advertise persistently and judiciously the people will come their way in search of bargains.

With butter selling at from 25 to 30 cents a pound, and fresh eggs going at 24 cents a dozen when they can be found, which is not often, the man who owns an old brindle cow and two or three indigestible hens, is able to sit back and do nothing but slip coupons. He can wear good clothes and even ride in a hack if he feels so inclined. Prices in these two most important dairy commodities have been making rapid jumps for the past week or more, and they have now reached the stage where the poor man considers them exorbitant. It cuts a big slice in the family cash balance to buy butter at 25 and 30 cents a pound, and eggs at 25 and 30 cents a dozen.

It was not understood when the spellbinders were urging the people of the Northwest to vote in favor of the re-election of President McKinley that one of the first items on the Senatorial program when Congress met would be the passage of a shipping "subsidy" bill which contemplates the annual expenditure of \$9,000,000 a year for thirty years for the special benefit of a number of rich men residing in western cities. It is true that the national platform adopted at Philadelphia contained an obscure, vague and indefinite reference, which might mean anything or nothing, to the subject of the "merchant marine."

The frank statement of Governor-elect Yates of his position in the senatorial contest given good promise of the record for sound statesmanship that may be expected of him as governor. Judge Yates says in effect that the governor is not elected as a dictator, and as he understands the duties of the office, it is not his province to interfere in the election of a senator or the organization of the general assembly unless the goal of the public or his own prerogatives are threatened. It is a sensible and dignified attitude and could be copied with advantage by others similarly placed.

In all parts of his message to congress and in dealing with a variety of subjects President McKinley makes apparent his deep interest in the development and expansion of the commerce of the nation. It will not be his fault if any means are omitted by which the government can aid in bringing this about and thus augment the prosperity of the people.

The Ways and Means committee of the national House of Representatives has recommended a reduction of national revenue \$40,000,000. Ten million will be taken from the excise and over three million from other sources. Checks, drafts and certificates of deposits will be taxed.

AROUND THE COUNTY
INTERESTING NEWS NOTES TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES.

Matters of Prominence Concerning Places and People in Du Page County and Surroundings.

The Annual Farmers' Institute for the 8th Congressional District will be held Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, February 6, 7 and 8, 1901, at the Court House in Wheaton.

President McKinley's plurality in Illinois last month was 94,924, while that of Judge Yates for governor was 61,293. The pluralities for other Republican candidates voted for by the entire state ran between these two. These figures were given out by the state canvassing board Wednesday.

Work on the Gary Memorial church at Wheaton is being pushed as fast as possible, and the work of placing the rafters will commence the last of this week or the first of next. The south wall is now up ready for the cornice and the north wall is nearly up. With the roof on the work can be continued all winter without any discomfort.

County Clerk Lawrence received the rate of reduction made by the State Board of Equalization, Tuesday, and the clerks are now busy on the collectors' books which will be ready by January 10th. The valuation on lots and personal property was reduced 15 percent and on lands 25 percent from valuation turned in by the Board of Review.

Users of the LaGrange city water were put to great inconvenience Thursday because of the almost entire shutting off of the usual supply. Wednesday evening the main shaft of the air compressor at the LaGrange Light and Water Co.'s plant broke necessitating the stoppage of the pumps. The Water Co. had a force of men at work all of Wednesday night and the repairs were not completed until late Thursday evening.

The Aurora, Wheaton & Chicago Electric road have commenced condemnation proceedings against Charley Gless for a twenty-five foot strip of land across the north side of his lot east of the coast line in Wheaton. Gless thinks that \$3,800 would be a fair compensation, the company offered \$200 and the jury will probably award \$250. The hotel property of Fred Schulte is also to be condemned, as is the property of Duncan McDonald.

The monthly sale of horses took place at Naperville last Saturday. The attendance was unusually large. Buyers from Chicago came out in force and tackled every likely looking animal that came along. If no sale was effected, the fault was with the owner and not the would-be buyer. A conglomerated aggregation of animals was on exhibition—the thoroughbred, roadster, draft and handy animal, as well as the sway-backed, knock-kneed, spavined, hide-bound, blind, bobbed and disfigured, quadruped whose ribs could be counted and none found wanting. Large sums of money changed hands. Business was brisk and good order prevailed, the crowds being sober, good natured, well bred and well fed. Buyers of good stock generally find what they want in Naperville and are willing to pay fair prices for No. 1 animals. Jockeying is a side issue and annoys the crowd—Clarion.

President and Mrs. Blanchard, of Wheaton College, have just returned from a five months absence in Europe. During this time they visited parts of Great Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria, Turkey, Greece and Italy. They landed at Liverpool in July and sailed from Genoa in November. During their stay abroad they did some work for the college at Wheaton, and are now taking up their work at the college with renewed hope and energy. Our readers have, many of them, know about the college through its students or otherwise, and are aware of its high standing as an educational institution. With increased facilities it is now doing its best work. The winter term begins January 24, at which time any of our young people who think of going away to school would do well to report. We can assure them of a hearty welcome and of the best sort of instruction.

The resignation of T. M. Hull of Milton, as Supervisor last week made it necessary for the Milton Town Board to appoint some one to fill out the unexpired term of office. The Town Board consists of the Justices of the Peace and the Town Clerk. On last Friday the Board assembled, consisting of D. M. Garnea, L. E. DeWolf, and L. W. Mills. The first ballot showed Mills and Garnea in favor of Wm. W. Stevens, and DeWolf and Higley in favor of Amos Churchill. DeWolf did not care to vote for a Wheaton man saying that, as they had the assessor Glen Ely in should have the Supervisor. No choice was made on that day and the Board adjourned to Tuesday when the first few ballots showed the same as on Friday. It was apparent that a dark horse would have to enter the race to make a winning game of it. O. D. Dodge was proposed and L. W. Mills voted for him, breaking the tie. D. M. Garnea then made unanimous which was heartily concurred in by the entire board.

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 Buy Wrisley's white borax and Old Country soap, and get the latest art pictures for the wrappers. The only genuine white borax soap on the market for sale at Nash's.

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Bitter fighting does not necessarily mean personal abuse or unavory remarks. Keep your temper. Work for your party and stand by your convictions—work all night and talk all day if you find it essential to your success. It will irritate you and cause Drapepsis, but you can find relief for that in Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which is guaranteed by Bush & Simon-son's.

That Cough Hangs On
 You have used all sorts of cough remedies but it does not yield; it is too deep seated. It may wear itself out in time, but it is more liable to produce la grippe, pneumonia or a serious throat affection. You need something that will give you strength and build up the body.

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Rev. Truman R. Green, Pastor. Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday School at 12:00 m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 6:00. Epworth League Sunday evening at 6:00.
CONGREGATIONAL—Rev. F. H. Libby, Pastor. Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday School at 12 m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45. Christian Endeavor Sunday evening at 6:00.
BAPTIST—Rev. C. J. Pope, Pastor. Services Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Bible school at 12 m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00. Baptist Union Sunday at 6:30 p. m. Junior Union at 4:30 p. m.
EV. ASSOCIATION—GERMAN—Rev. Wm. F. Albrecht, Pastor. Services Sunday 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Young Peoples' Alliance 7:00 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45.
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL, St. Andrew's Mission—Rev. E. M. Thompson, Rector. Services Sunday at 3:30 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. W. S. Waples, Supt.
GERMAN LUTHERAN—Rev. J. J. Meyer, Pastor. Services every other Sunday at 2 p. m. in the Congregational church. Sunday School before service.
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC—Rev. C. J. Vucelja, Pastor. Mass every Sunday morning at 8 and 10:30 o'clock. English sermons and 3rd Sundays in each month. Mass every week morning at 8 o'clock.

SOCIETIES.
GROVE LODGE 824 A. F. & A. M. Meets every second and fourth Friday evening in each month. Visiting brethren cordially invited. A. P. Hosmer, W. M. E. C. Venzel, Secretary.
VESTA CHAPTER 242 O. E. S. Meets in Masonic hall. Visiting members always welcome. Mrs. C. Mochel, W. M. Mrs. Louis E. Hall, Secretary.
NAPER POST 483 A. R. Meets the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. Visiting comrades always welcome. T. S. Rogers, Commander. Chas. Carpenter, Adjutant.
DOWNERS GROVE LODGE 328 A. O. U. W. Meets in a hall on first and third Fridays of each month. Visiting brothers always welcome. C. B. Blodgett, W. M. A. J. Cross, Secretary.
DOWNERS GROVE LODGE 750 I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening in hall Central block. Visiting brothers cordially invited. H. F. Leggenhausen, N. G. W. J. Beideman, R. E. Sec.
VICTORY COUNCIL 110 ROYAL LEAGUE Meets first and third Tuesday evenings in Workmen hall. J. B. Huling, Archon. Chas. Colwell, Sec.
MAPLE CAMP 988 M. W. A. Meets in Carpenter hall on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting neighbors always welcome. C. L. Sharp, V. C. W. H. Barnhart, Sec.
MAPLE GROVE LODGE 529 K. O. P. Meets first and third Wednesdays of each month. Visiting Knights cordially invited. J. W. Nash, C. C. Geo. W. Glenny, K. of R. and S.
DOWNERS GROVE TENT, No. 142 Knights of the Maccabees. Meets second and fourth Wednesdays in each month in Carpenter's hall. P. C. Gallup, Commander. W. L. Hanna, Record Keeper.
LADIES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. Library building on Curtiss street. Meet first Tuesday in each month at 2 p. m. Emma J. Miller, President. Mrs. D. Cole, Sec.
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 Regular meetings held first Tuesday of each month in the Maple avenue school building.

THE MAIL.
 From the east—7:07; 9:07 a. m. 12:11; 5:11 p. m.
 From the west—7:07; 9:52 a. m. 1:30; 5:28 p. m.

C. B. & Q. RAILWAY TIME CARD.
 East Bound.
 Leave Downers, Arr. Chi.
 Downers Grove suburban 5:50 a. m. 6:40 a. m.
 " " " 6:25 a. m. 7:15 a. m.
 " " " 6:52 a. m. 7:42 a. m.
 Aurora express 7:07 a. m. 7:46 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 7:20 a. m. 8:10 a. m.
 " " express 7:45 a. m. 8:30 a. m.
 Aurora express 8:00 a. m. 8:45 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 8:22 a. m. 9:12 a. m.
 Milk express 8:46 a. m. 9:42 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 9:10 a. m. 10:00 a. m.
 Ottawa and Streator 9:52 a. m. 10:35 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 10:05 a. m. 10:55 a. m.
 Aurora suburban 11:19 a. m. 12:07 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 12:50 p. m. 1:40 p. m.
 Denver and California 1:16 p. m. 2:00 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 2:07 p. m. 2:57 p. m.
 Saturday only suburban 2:30 p. m. 3:20 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 3:15 p. m. 4:05 p. m.
 Aurora suburban 3:55 p. m. 4:45 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 4:55 p. m. 5:45 p. m.
 Ottawa, Streator & LaSalle 5:28 p. m. 6:15 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 5:45 p. m. 6:35 p. m.
 " " " 6:55 p. m. 7:45 p. m.
 " " accom 8:02 p. m. 9:00 p. m.
 " " " 9:02 p. m. 10:00 p. m.
 St. Paul and Minneapolis 9:37 p. m. 10:20 p. m.
 Downers Grove accom 10:24 p. m. 11:25 p. m.

West Bound.
 Leave Chi, Arr. D. G.
 Downers Grove suburban 6:45 a. m. 7:35 a. m.
 " " " 7:45 a. m. 8:35 a. m.
 Burlington, Rockford & Streator 8:20 a. m. 9:57 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 8:50 a. m. 9:40 a. m.
 " " " 10:15 a. m. 11:05 a. m.
 " " accom 11:00 a. m. 12:02 p. m.
 Galesburg and Quincy 11:30 a. m. 12:09 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 12:10 p. m. 1:00 p. m.
 Aurora sub., ex. Sat. & Sun. 1:30 p. m. 2:20 p. m.
 " " express Sat. only 1:20 p. m. 1:58 p. m.
 Downers G. sub. 1:30 p. m. 2:20 p. m.
 Milk express 1:30 p. m. 2:20 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 3:15 p. m. 4:05 p. m.
 " " " 4:05 p. m. 4:55 p. m.
 " " " 4:45 p. m. 5:35 p. m.
 Aurora express 5:11 p. m. 6:05 p. m.
 Downers Grove express 5:15 p. m. 6:05 p. m.
 Aurora express 5:35 p. m. 6:25 p. m.
 " " " 6:25 p. m. 7:15 p. m.
 Downers Grove accom 5:50 p. m. 6:40 p. m.
 " " suburban 6:15 p. m. 7:05 p. m.
 " " accom 6:40 p. m. 7:40 p. m.
 " " " 7:30 p. m. 8:20 p. m.
 " " " 8:20 p. m. 9:20 p. m.
 " " " 9:30 p. m. 10:30 p. m.
 " " " 10:30 p. m. 11:30 p. m.
 St. P. & Minneap., ex. Sat. 10:55 p. m. 11:35 p. m.
 Aurora theatre express 11:30 p. m. 12:08 a. m.
 Downers Grove owl train 12:10 a. m. 1:10 a. m.

Sunday Trains—East Bound.
 Leave Downers, Arr. Chi.
 Local (stops on signal) 6:15 a. m. 7:00 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 7:55 a. m. 8:45 a. m.
 Milk express 8:46 a. m. 9:42 a. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 9:22 a. m. 10:10 p. m.
 " " " 1:00 p. m. 1:55 p. m.
 Denver and California 1:16 p. m. 2:00 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 3:08 p. m. 4:00 p. m.
 Aurora 5:00 p. m. 5:50 p. m.
 Downers 6:25 p. m. 7:25 p. m.
 Aurora express 8:55 p. m. 9:45 p. m.
 Downers Grove accom 9:56 p. m. 10:55 p. m.

Sunday Trains—West Bound.
 Leave Chi, Arr. D. G.
 Aurora suburban 9:00 a. m. 9:55 a. m.
 Galesburg and Quincy 11:30 a. m. 12:09 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 12:10 p. m. 1:00 p. m.
 Milk express 2:30 p. m. 3:05 p. m.
 Downers Grove suburban 4:55 p. m. 5:45 p. m.
 " " " 6:40 p. m. 7:35 p. m.
 " " accom 9:45 p. m. 10:35 p. m.
 " " " 10:30 p. m. 11:20 p. m.
 St. Paul and Minneapolis 10:55 p. m. 11:34 p. m.
 Aurora theatre express 12:05 p. m. 12:55 p. m.
 Downers Grove owl train 12:55 p. m. 1:55 p. m.