

Downers Grove Reporter.

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DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

Industrial, Political, Domestic and Foreign Happenings of Minor Importance Told in Paragraphs.

Judge Lyman J. Carlock of Peoria, Ill., is dead at Cebu, Island of Luzon, Philippine Islands, of cholera.

Henry B. Gillespie, founder of Aspen, Colo., and discoverer of the famous Mollie Gibson mine, died in South America, where he was interested in mines.

William Ward, 81 years of age, died at his home at Virginia, Ill. He was widely known as a politician and was a wealthy farmer.

W. H. Safford, aged 82, retired jurist and author, died at Chillicothe, Ohio.

The Greek congress ratified the treaty of commerce and amity and regulating consular affairs between the United States and Greece.

Funeral services for Rev. Dr. Gustav Gotthell, rabbi of the Temple Emanuel, were held at New York.

Robert J. Breckinridge addressed a note to Allie W. Young, chairman of the Kentucky state central committee, announcing that he had withdrawn from the race for the Democratic nomination for governor.

The lifeless body of John Bohn, a retired saloonkeeper, was found in his room in the Klondike hotel, Omaha.

Passenger representatives of western roads are greatly stirred up over the condition of labor rates and party rates in general.

Charles Russell has been appointed superintendent of the Chicago division of the Santa Fe, with headquarters at Chillicothe.

M. J. Gormley, formerly chief clerk in Assistant General Manager Alshon's office, has been appointed trainmaster for the Northwestern railroad at Eagle Grove, Ia.

Judge Humphrey at Springfield, Ill., ordered the sale of property on the farm of Arnold & Co.

Charles G. Heckert, professor of English literature in Wittenberg college, Springfield, Ohio, has been elected president, succeeding Dr. J. M. Rutherford, deceased.

Francis Copartelo and Gaudeonpe Mendoza, Mexican miners at Santa Rita, N. M., were shot and killed by Deputy Sheriff Muse while resisting arrest for disturbance.

Ex-Sheriff John Robert Payne and two brothers named Stigler engaged in a fight at Asheville, Ind., and one of the Stiglers stabbed Payne three times.

Six men were killed and a number injured by the explosion of a large amount of powder at the Peerless Coal and Coke company's mines at Vivian, W. Va.

A trial occupying a week, wherein Bishop Bonacum of the Catholic diocese of Lincoln, Neb., seeks to oust Rev. William Murphy from the church property of Seward, Neb., was concluded in the district court at Seward and the case submitted on briefs.

The international kindergarten union at Pittsburg, Pa., elected Miss Annie Laws of Chicago president.

The Rock Island railroad has purchased 160 acres at Peabody, Kas., where a large reservoir will be built to supply water for the engine.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

Measures Under Consideration in the Capitol at Springfield.

ADDITIONAL JUDGES FOR COOK

Representative Farley introduces a bill to increase the membership of the Circuit Bench—New Organ for Executive Mansion.

Representative Farley introduced a bill providing for three additional circuit judges in Cook county. This is in consonance with the action of the Democratic judicial convention at Chicago in making nominations for three places which the legislature might create.

When Records Burn. Mr. Wilkerson's bill to quiet the title to lands in cases where public records have been destroyed by fire, or otherwise, and his bill providing that elevated railroads shall be assessed the same as other street railways, were advanced to third reading in the house.

Many bills were advanced. Among those already passed by the senate and sent to the order of third reading and final passage were:

Increases Salaries. Senator Campbell's increasing the salaries of the state officers.

Senator Farnum's providing that Oak Park and Berwyn, Cook county, may come in under the jurisdiction of the election commissioners of Chicago if they vote for it.

Nohe Objects. "Gus" Nohe appeared in the role of objector in the house, when his friend, Cicero J. Lindly, tried to call up senate bill 433 for advancement.

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Library Boards. Mr. Lawrence called up his bill, 239, providing that women shall be eligible to serve as members of library boards. The bill passed—yeas, 99; nays, none.

On motion of Mr. Drew, his bill to repeal the fellow-servant act was made a special order for next Wednesday.

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Election Contest. A petition for a recount of the votes cast in Central precinct of Fancy Creek township on assistant supervisor has been filed in the county court by J. J. Keely, Democrat, who was defeated by B. F. Holland, Republican.

Election Expenses. The total amount paid the judges and clerks for their services during the recent city election at Springfield was \$2,304. This is the greatest sum ever paid for a city election there.

Will Plant Fruit Trees. The high school pupils of Virginia will celebrate Arbor day, April 24, by planting fruit trees on the campus instead of the conventional shade varieties.

withdrawn by concessions from Chicago on the assessment proposition. Labor Legislation.

Representative Drew's bill, known as the "fellow-servant" bill, which is decided to change the present rule with regard to the liability of employers for injuries to employees, is a special order for Wednesday in the house. Representatives of the Chicago Federation of Labor have been urging the passage of this bill, but it has not made the same progress that the other labor bills have. Its companion bill, the measure raising the limit of death damages to \$10,000, has already passed the Senate and is on the floor of the House.

Convict Bill a Special Order. The House convict-labor bill is to come up in the Senate on Wednesday, it having been made a special order. A number of amendments to the bill have been prepared, the principal one of which is to extend the time for putting the new law into effect. It is provided in the bill that the new system should be in operation throughout the institutions within one year, and the proposed amendment is to make the time two years.

Another special order in the senate is the civil-service bill. A number of amendments to this measure will be presented, and it is likely that it will be amended and returned to the House.

Foreign Corporations. The bill providing for the assessment of such part of the capital stock of foreign corporations as is employed in business in Illinois, which passed the house is to be reported and passed by the senate. A companion bill from the Secretary of State's office, requiring corporations to pay their incorporation fee before they are permitted to organize, will also pass. The last named bill is to cure a technical flaw in the present law, by which railroads have undertaken to escape payment of the fees.

Religious Corporations. When the house met, Mr. Allen secured unanimous consent to call up the bill introduced by the committee on judiciary authorizing trustees of any corporation having control of any educational or charitable corporation or any funds thereof under the patronage or care of any religious denomination to close up the affairs of such corporation when they find that the purposes for which the corporation was created cannot be carried out. The bill was advanced to third reading.

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Forges Passes. Samuel Mollin, a young employe of the Wabash, convicted of forging passes and transportation on that road, was sentenced to the state reformatory in the County court at Springfield.

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ILLINOIS STATE NEWS

STEAMER LOSES RAFT OF LOGS

Tow Breaks From Vessel at Alton Under Exciting Circumstances.

The steamer Jacob Richtman, of which Jacob Richtman is captain, rammed a tow of two barges loaded with cottonwood and a large raft of logs against a pier of the Alton bridge. The raft was broken up and the barges turned adrift down the river, while the towboat helplessly drifted in the swift current and stiff gale against the iron work of the bridge. Capt. Richtman was at the wheel and his brother, James Richtman, was in the engine room. The Richtman lodged securely under the iron girders of the bridge, which are just high enough to pin the top deck and sweep off the railings. The steamer careened dangerously, but did not ship any water. When the accident occurred Capt. Richtman was trying to guide his unwieldy tow through the outer side of the draw span of the bridge, but the current was too swift. The crew of twelve men on the raft leaped for the Richtman when the collision occurred, and all but two, Martin Wilson and Charles Utt, reached the steamer. The two men floated off down the river on the broken raft and were taken off by members of the crew in skiffs.

LEGALIZES BETTING ON RACES

Wagers May Be Laid on Any Fair Grounds During the Season.

The house committee on live stock and dairying has reported out a race-track bill. The bill, which was prepared by Representative James W. Turner, was ordered reported as a committee measure. The bill permits the laying of wagers upon all running and trotting races and other tests of speed upon any fair grounds or race-course between May and Nov. 1.

Favor Mueller Bill

The manufacturers and merchants of Quincy have declared in favor of Senator Mueller's amendment to senate bill No. 49, one of the revenue measures now pending before the general assembly at Springfield. They are opposed to the sentiments of Senator L. B. Stringer of Lincoln, and have delegated the president of the chamber of commerce and secretary of the Quincy freight bureau to explain their position before the members of the state legislature.

Actor Gets \$12,500.

The suit begun by Clay Clement, the well-known actor, for a share of his father's estate has been compromised. He is a son of Christian Geiger, a wealthy farmer of Eureka county. His father became angry with him because he went on the stage and recently deeded all his land to his other son, Julian T. Geiger. Julian has promised to pay his brother \$12,500 at stated times.

Rebekahs at Trenton.

A new Rebekah lodge has been organized at Trenton with forty members. Mrs. Lora North of Lebanon, the district president, assisted by the Lebanon degree staff, had charge of the work. The officers of the new lodge are: Fred Menzie, P. G.; Mrs. Lizzie Heilig, N. G.; Miss Mabel Lepper, V. G.; Miss Anna Oehler, secretary; Mrs. Fred Menzie, treasurer.

Death of H. Delosa Grigsby.

Hon. H. Delosa Grigsby died at his home in Pittsfield, after a short illness. Mr. Grigsby was born in Pittsfield in 1855. He served in the Illinois general assembly in 1891 and was postmaster under President McKinley from 1897 to 1901, resigning to accept membership on the state board of claims, which position he occupied at the time of his death.

Epworth League.

The Epworth league of the German Methodist Episcopal church of Nashville has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Miss Clara Steinmann; vice president, Miss Laura Lutz; secretary, Miss Mary Brockmann; treasurer, Miss Lena Fiene; librarians, Willie Meyer and Enoch Karstens.

Missionary Society.

The ladies of the First Baptist church of Pinckneyville have organized a missionary society, and have a large membership. The following officers were elected for a term of one year: Mrs. J. G. Taffee, president; Mrs. Thomas Lee, vice president; Mrs. Don Davis, secretary; Mrs. J. D. Strait, treasurer.

Militia Captain Resigns.

Adjutant General Reece has accepted the resignation of C. G. Magner as captain of company B, 5th infantry, of Taylorville. The applicants for the position are Eugene Perkins, W. R. Dexheimer, Clint Harris and George Oddy.

Prepare Library Site.

An appropriation has been voted by the Flora city council for the grading of the grounds on the site of the Carnegie library, and the work will begin at once. The council has also granted a franchise to W. F. Chaney for a street fair and carnival.

Win Declamation Prizes.

Miss Ione Wittig of the Trenton schools was awarded first prize and Miss Mabel Fricker of Jamestown second prize in the declamation contest at Sugar Creek public school.

IMPORTANT PAROLE DECISION.

Juries Have Power to Fix Sentences in Certain Cases.

The writ of habeas corpus prayed for by Lewis Georgetown, who is confined in the penitentiary, under a sentence of twenty-five years, entered in the Criminal court of Cook county, July 25, 1902, for criminal assault, was refused in the Supreme court, the court holding that the parole law did not effect a repeal of that provision of the statute authorizing juries to fix the term of imprisonment in cases of assault, murder, treason and kidnapping. This is the first time the Supreme court has passed on this question, though the point has frequently been raised in habeas corpus proceedings. Georgetown's counsel urged the issuance of the writ on the ground that the judgment and sentence by which he is held are void, and claiming that the statute under which he was sentenced to a definite term for criminal assault was repealed by the first section of the parole law passed in 1895, and that the power of a jury to fix the term of imprisonment in such cases had never been restored. Habeas corpus cases have appeared from all parts of Illinois in recent years and many prisoners have been released from prison because of no positive ruling by the Supreme court in cases very similar to the Georgetown case.

Champion Bigamist.

John T. Driscoll, the champion bigamist of the state, who has just been sentenced to the penitentiary from Virginia, Ill., is the husband of four women, whom he married at various times and places within the past few years. His first known wife was Miss Lizzie Schwartz. She resides at Paxton, Ill., with five children. Wife No. 2 was Mrs. Eliza Hunter, whom Driscoll married in 1901, only to desert her soon afterward. It was she who brought the suit for bigamy. His third wife lives in McLean county, but did not appear in the trial. Mrs. Sarah McGrant, another widow of means living at Huntington, Ind., was Driscoll's fourth victim. This wedding took place in Chicago, where the bigamist was a prominent Methodist and politician.

Independent Electric Plant.

A number of Centralia business men becoming dissatisfied with the service furnished by the present electric light company, have organized a merchants' light company, and will install an independent plant. The application for a franchise will be made at the next session of the city council. The present plant is owned and operated by a syndicate of foreign capitalists.

Physician is Accused.

City Physician Barker of Springfield has been charged with neglect of duty and investigation is being made by the board of health. Dr. Barker has been investigating smallpox cases for the state board of health recently and owing to his frequent absence from the city, it is said that he does not give proper attention to his Springfield work.

Close in Honor of President.

It has now been practically decided by the merchants of Springfield to close their stores during the four hours which President Roosevelt will remain in Springfield on June 4. The new \$150,000 armory, which will be dedicated by the president in the morning, will be converted into a mammoth dance hall at night.

Pioneer of Hardin.

Mrs. B. F. Child, who recently celebrated her 87th anniversary, is the oldest resident of Hardin, having located there in 1836. Her husband was the founder of the city. Mrs. Child is the lone survivor of her family, her brother, Joseph Brown, who served a term as mayor of St. Louis, having died in 1900.

Promises Sensation.

W. C. Reynolds, who is charged with repeating at the township election at Charleston, April 7, was bound over to the grand jury. Reynolds says he was hired to vote twice and promises to give some sensational testimony when his trial comes up.

Predict Big Apple Crop.

The orchards of Calhoun county are now in full bloom. Orchardists claim that the bloom is healthy, and they predict an apple crop of about 500,000 barrels.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. WEST & TRUX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio; W. A. WALKER, KINNAM & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Salvini to Leave the Stage.

Tommaso Salvini will shortly take a final leave of the stage. He will, previous to doing so perform in the principal towns of Italy, in company with his son Paola Salvini.

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Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Child's Home to be Apartment House

The famous palace occupied by the late George W. Childs of the Philadelphia Ledger, which cost him over \$1,000,000, is to be transformed into an apartment house.

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balance in crop this year. MULHALL, State City, Ia. Candor is the safety valve of ill breeding.

Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit

Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"I can conscientiously recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often befall women. I suffered for months with general weakness and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did."—Mrs. GULA GANNON, 359 Jones St., Detroit, Corresponding Sec'y Mich. Amateur Art Association.—\$2000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

It is clearly shown in this young lady's letter that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will surely cure the sufferings of women; and when one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of hundreds which we have, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all.

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