

News of the Neighborhood

Hale and Hearty

Captain T. S. Rogers was over from Downers Grove, Tuesday. He is looking well and hearty. During the past thirty years the Captain has run a grocery and meat market in Chicago but disposed of it last week and now proposes to take life a trifle easier.—West Chicago Journal.

At Oak Park Chautauqua

The principal speaker before the Oak Park Chautauqua Sunday was Mrs. L. E. Kehr, of Chicago, who discussed the benefits women received at their clubs. Entertainers had the floor in the evening.

A Camp for the Little One

A camp for the tots, a movement by the Associated Bureau of Charities in Chicago, has taken form in the establishment of a camp in the grove northeast of Glen Ellyn. Fourteen small tents and two big ones are evidence of the good will which some folks have for the poor in the congested districts of the great city on the lake.

Year Sentence for Stealing 20 Cents

William Bacon, of Chicago, was convicted of stealing 20 cents from the mails. He was sentenced to the Kane county jail for one year, and was taken to Geneva last week Wednesday.

Improvements at County Farm

At an estimated cost of \$3,000 the Kane county supervisors will build a barn at the county farm, near Batavia. The barn will be a large one, of wood, balloon shaped, 44x83 feet in dimension. It will be built with concrete foundation, cement floors and shingle roof, and will be fitted up with the latest improvements, including a hay carrier, harness racks and stable fittings, and lighted with electric lights.

Free-Methodists are in Camp

The Chicago district camp meeting of the Free Methodist church will be held on the camp ground at Glen Ellyn, July 19 to 27. Bishop B. R. Jones and other ministers will make addresses.

Burlington's Earnings for May

The earnings of the Burlington for the month of May fell off nearly \$500,000 from the previous year, but the net loss was only \$60,000 on account of the decrease in the operating expenses. For the month of June the gross earnings were nearly the same as they were last year and the net earnings were somewhat better. The surplus over all charges will be about the same as last year.

Naperville Lets Contract

Despite the reversal decision of the Supreme court, Naperville council will go ahead with its waterworks construction. The contracts for the mains have been awarded to John H. McCarthy of Chicago, the price being \$51,402. A number of bids were received but the council considered this was the lowest responsible offer. The decision of the court only effects those who appealed. Those who did not appeal will have to pay the assessment as made.

Beneath the Car Wheels

Andrew Sivert, a picture frame moulder of 541 W. Superior street, Chicago, was run over and killed by the cars about one mile west of Elmhurst Wednesday night. The body was cut in two and the evidence led the coroner's jury to suppose that he fell from a freight train or was attempting to jump on a moving train and fell beneath the wheels. Sivert was 43 years of age, unmarried, and lived with a widowed mother.

Crude Burglars at Batavia

At an unknown hour on Thursday night of last week burglars entered the hardware and grocery store of George Burton on South Batavia avenue, Batavia, by removing a sash on a rear window, and after securing about forty dollars worth of cutlery and revolvers, "departed to return we know not when." A rubber tired buggy was undoubtedly used in getting to the place of operation, as marks were visible indicating where the sash had been. The method of gaining entrance was very crude and a split sash and broken window glass are silent testimony of the work of novices.

One Thousand Convicts are Idle

Warren Murphy, of the Joliet penitentiary, is facing a peculiar proposition. Under the new law which went into effect July 1, 1904, convict-made goods cannot be put on the market to compete with those of free labor. The federal court, by injunction, has tied up the funds appropriated for the new order of things and now the one thousand convicts are locked in their cells and idle. Under present conditions, or until relief is afforded, the convicts must remain idle.

Magazine Notes

Two thousand Chicago veterans are planning to attend the national encampment at Boston, commencing Aug. 15. It is estimated that, in all, 5,000 people from Illinois will attend, going in special trains from Chicago, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 12 and 13. One entire car will be filled with the veterans from north shore suburbs.

G. A. R. Encampment

One of the leading features in the July "Cosmopolitan" is found in its series, "The Great Industries of the United States," this article treating of Cotton from its plant-life all the way through the mills to the finished product—elaborately illustrated with twenty-eight photo-engravings. This series in "The Cosmopolitan" should be read by every schoolboy. It is an easy means of getting a thorough knowledge of the great industries of the country for both young and old.

Normal School Attendance

The attendance at the normal summer school at DeKalb is greater than ever this term. There is an enrollment of 317 students and more are coming.

Silver in Your Finger?

An exchange gives these directions which are worth remembering: When a splinter has been driven deeply into the flesh it can be extracted by steam, without pain. Nearly fill a wide-mouth bottle with hot water, place injured part over mouth and press tightly. The suction will draw the flesh down and in a minute or two the steam will extract the splinter and inflammation together.

They Caught Fish Galore

Last Saturday L. M. McEwen returned from a five days' fishing trip at Kilbourne, Wis. In the party there were Harry McEwen and two friends of Chicago. They caught over 60 black bass, and a 10-lb. pickerel. The latter was hooked by Harry McEwen and he played it successfully with a light rod and casting line until he was able to lift the fish into the boat by placing his fingers in its eye sockets.—DeKalb Review.

Wrecking an Old Landmark

An old landmark is disappearing. But weep not! It is the old hotel in East LaGrange, the resort of tramps and other dissolute characters and the subject of many complaints to the village board. Wreckers are now at work and the building will soon be no more.—LaGrange News.

Oak Park Census Report

By a recent census taken at Oak Park, Ill., it was found that there was 5,235 males, and 6,348 females, a total of 11,583 in the place. The following facts were also brought out: Between the ages of 6 and 21, males, 1,545; females, 1,739; total, 3,284. Under the age of 6, males, 514; females, 558; total, 1,072. Total horses, 491; cows, 160; dogs, 412.

Old Veteran Dies at Elgin

Samuel Marsh, of Elgin, a veteran of Co. I, 42d Illinois Infantry, died at his home in Elgin last week Wednesday, and was buried at St. Charles Friday afternoon. Mr. Marsh was one of the landmarks, as it were, of Elgin, loved and respected by all. Not only his comrades of the G. A. R., but all who knew him, will regret his demise.

Stricken on Her Wedding Day

Stricken by fatal illness on her wedding day, Mrs. Walter Van Sands, a daughter of Samuel Gregsten, who was married last Tuesday evening at the home of her parents in West Hinsdale, lies at the point of death in her apartments at the Wellington Hotel, Chicago.

After the wedding ceremony the happy couple, desiring to escape the congratulations of the numerous friends who had planned to escort them to the train, slipped away from the festivities and came to the city, registering at the Wellington.

Mrs. Van Sands, affected by the excitement of the day, was stricken with heart failure and has been hovering on the brink of death ever since. Late last night Dr. McMartin, who has been in constant attendance, entertained slight hopes of recovery.

Destructive Fire at Wayne

The village of Wayne narrowly escaped ruin by fire a few days ago. The Campbell store was destroyed, as was the residence adjoining the store, also owned by the Hugh Campbell estate.

The fire was discovered by Station Agent Price, who lives across the street from the Campbell store, and he promptly gave the alarm. There was no one in the store, but the residence adjoining was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard and three children.

Mrs. Leonard was seriously ill, and before the Leonard family was aroused the flames were upon them. Heroic citizens rushed in and carried out the baby and the sick woman on a cot. She was removed to the Kimbarth house, next door, and was later taken to the parsonage, when the Kimbarth house began to smoke.

The Chicago & North Western railway company had to rush an engine from West Chicago to move some freight cars near the fire.

The fire was unusually fierce on account of the stock of fireworks. Rockets, roman candles and cannon crackers filled the air with perils to those who fought the flames. A shed in the rear, filled with gas-oil and kerosene, blew up with terrific force. The bucket brigade saved some of the stock of goods, carrying things into the street until the heat and smoke drove all from the store.

The Wayne central station of the Chicago Telephone company was in the store building, and was destroyed.

The loss is partially covered by insurance. The origin of the fire can only be surmised.

Praise from One who Knows

The Downers Grove Reporter looks bright and clean under the new management.—LaGrange News.

Admiral Togo is Defeated.

At a recent race in England nearly everybody bet on Admiral Togo to win. But he was not even placed.

NIGHT WAS HER TERROR

"I would cough nearly all night long," writes Mrs. Chas. Applegate, of Alexandria, Ind., "and could hardly get any sleep. I had consumption so bad that if I walked a block I would cough frightfully and spit blood, but, when all other medicines failed, three \$1.00 bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery wholly cured me and I gained 58 pounds." It's absolutely guaranteed to cure Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, Bronchitis and all Throat and Lung Troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all drug stores.

He Wants to Know

Thus saith the Wheaton Illinoisian: "What is the church for? Is it for grown-up and married people with families, who occupy a conspicuous place like in the choir, during church services to whisper and creating smiles, and giggling with those sitting there, and especially in the young people, so disturbing the audience, and showing great disrespect to the minister and more to the House of God, not having decent good manners, which should keep them from such disturbances, and which would not be tolerated in any public gathering, not even in a school of boys and girls? It seems incomprehensible that a civilized person would want to publish his ill bred manners. Would they wish to be treated so themselves during a song?"

Burglars Get Small Haul

Sunday night some one broke into the store of Springer, Rohr & Co., West Chicago, by getting into the cellar and coming up through the cold-air shaft. The only thing missed was 27 cents in the cash drawer and a revolver. The same night the saloon of George Reihm was entered through one of the rear windows. The only thing taken here was several bottles of whiskey to the value of about \$55.00. There is no clew to the thieves.

Exports Greatly Exceed Last Year

Exports of manufacturers in the fiscal year which ended July 1 will be the largest in the history of our foreign commerce. A statement just issued by the department of commerce and labor through its bureau of statistics shows that the total exports of manufactures for the eleven months ending with May, 1904, were \$410,536,478, and as this sum is \$17,000,000 in excess of the eleven months' figures for the year 1900, when manufactures made their high-water mark in exports, it seems perfectly safe to estimate that the total for the full year will be the largest in the history of our foreign commerce. This increase in the exportation of manufactures occurs in nearly all classes of manufactured goods.

Custom Blacksmithing Trust

Recently mention was made of the blacksmiths of Earl, Mendota, Leland, Sononauk and Sandwich who formed an organization for mutual good, and now Kendall county smiths have met at Yorkville and formed a county organization and the work is going on in other places. The organization is for the protection of the blacksmith, and the same price one charges for his work will be charged any other place in the county. The raise will be more noticeable in the price of shoeing, as that is the more common branch of the work in the county, although there will be a slight advance in price for repairing farm machinery, etc. The schedule will be almost identical with the one used by the organization blacksmiths on the main line in the towns of Earlville, Sandwich, Sononauk and other places.

Pretty Fast Railroad

The fast passenger train between Chicago and Freeport, that passes through Belvidere, recently made a remarkable run. The train made the trip, from Chicago to its destination, 147 miles, in two hours and a half—150 minutes. If this be a fact, it about sets the record for fast running over this division.—Belvidere Northwestern.

Still Tell Time by the Sun

The assessor of Wayne township was unable to find any watches or clocks in the township, and it is presumed that the natives still tell time by the sun.

Last year the assessor found one man who admitted that he owned a watch, and it was assessed, and the man died within three months from the time the assessment was made.

It is not clear at this writing whether the assessor was derelict or whether the denizens of Wayne are afraid of the awful result should it become known that they have watches.

Wayne is the only town in the county where watches and clocks are unknown.—Ex.

Overcrowding the Street Cars

"If you want to know one needed reform in your country, there is one right before your eyes," said Edward J. Chambers, Foxhills, Wombourne Staffs, England.

Mr. Chambers, who is one of the party of English mechanical engineers touring the country, was standing before the Grand Hotel, Cincinnati, pointing at a crowded street car as he spoke.

"You cannot understand how disagreeable that looks to an Englishman. We have such strict laws regarding the crowding of tram cars that the manner in which you Americans crowd one another is little less than appalling."

"Do you know what would happen to the men in charge of that car if that occurred in London?"

"An officer would take their numbers and the driver and conductor would be summoned and fined. Why, sir, the other day in Chicago I saw 152 people crowded into one car."

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Making Work a Pleasure.

A nurse in an English sanatorium is quoted as saying that "even dusting can be done so as to make it desperately interesting."

BRUTALLY TORTURED

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick, of Colusa, Cal., writes: "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from Rheumatism and nothing relieved me, though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for Liver and Kidney Troubles and General Debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists.

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London Bakers on Strike

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