

News of the Neighborhood

SUB Another Electric Line

There is a strong probability that an electric line will be built between Symone and Bellvidere. This will connect with the electric road to De Kalb from there to Aurora.

The October Docket Is Not Large

The October term of the circuit court will convene on Monday, October 3. The docket is not a large one. There are nine criminal cases and eight jail cases awaiting action of the grand jury. Fifty three common law and fifty five chancery cases complete the docket.

Gasoline Will Be the Power

The new Illinois, Iowa & Minnesota railway will be the first road to use the new gasoline motor coaches, planning to put them in service for passenger work. The road is primarily a freight road, and the passenger business will be at secondary consideration. However, it will be the only direct route to De Kalb and Rockford from Aurora, and in this way a good passenger business can be worked up.

Local Real Estate Transfers

Arthur F. Towne to Myrtle E. Heintz, lot nineteen, block three, re-subdivision blocks one, two and three, Austin's subdivision, part northwest quarter section nine, Downers Grove, \$200.

Arthur F. Towne to Mary E. Collier, lot eighteen, block three, re-subdivision blocks one, two and three, Austin's subdivision, part northwest quarter section nine, Downers Grove, \$200.

Emily G. Gibbs to Robert J. Durney, part block five, Richmond & Whitney's addition to Downers Grove, \$200.

John Warner to May H. Sanders, lots twenty-five and twenty-six, block 11, Streets' addition to Downers Grove, \$1.

Found the Buggy and Horse

About a month ago a stranger appeared at the livery barn of Frederick Fink, of Naperville, and hired a team, claiming he wanted to drive to Downers Grove. This was the last seen of him or the team. Sheriff Hoyer located the carriage and harness at a livery barn in Chicago a few days ago. The team was sold at the stock yards, resold and shipped east. The authorities think they have located the thief and are awaiting identification.

Oak Park Woman Is Robbed

Another street holdup in which the victim was a woman occurred in Oak Park recently. A negro attacked Miss Fannie Hadfield, a music teacher, 218 north Humphreys avenue, and robbed her of her pocketbook containing twenty-nine dollars. The holdup occurred at Chicago and north Elmwood avenues as Miss Hadfield was returning from a music lesson. The man seized her pocketbook, which was attached to her wrist by a chain, at the same time striking her in the face. Her rooms brought several men to her assistance, but the negro had escaped. The police and a crowd of citizens searched all the evening for the assailant, but without success. This is the first holdup in the village in two years.

A Man Stricken With Leprosy

Eight doctors decided last Saturday morning that La Salle contains a genuine case of leprosy that terrible disease so common in oriental countries. Matthe Natafka, a Polish resident, is the man afflicted, and he is now isolated in his room in one of the Walbridge houses on Canal street, between Joliet and Homestead. He is thirty-five years of age and has a wife and seven children. Natafka has only been a resident of La Salle a few weeks, having previously resided in Peru for ten years. The doctor says he cannot live long, and that his wife and children are more than likely to have the disease before long. The city health department will keep a close watch on the house, and will see to it that the patient is kept isolated.

Claims Insurance, Husband Legally Dead

A peculiar case of unusual interest will come before the September term of Aurora city court. It is the case of Mrs. Susan K. Stubbins vs. the Modern Woodmen of America. Mrs. Stubbins resides on a farm near Bald Mound. On the night of October 5, 1886, her husband, John Stubbins, left home, stating that he was going to Chicago to have his teeth treated, and that he would return the following day. He failed to return and is still missing. A short time afterwards he was seen in New York city, and supposed to be homeward bound. Since that nothing has been seen of him. Recently Judge J. H. Williams, of the probate court, granted letters of administration to Mrs. Stubbins, giving his decision that Mr. Stubbins was legally dead. She is now bringing suit to secure \$2,000, the amount of her husband's policy in the Modern Woodmen of America.

Burlington To Install Telephone System

The Burlington management has decided to substitute the telephone for the telegraph in dispatching and in operating trains, both passenger and freight. This announcement was made recently, after trials had been made of the telephone on various portions of the company's lines for the past two years. The management stated that the trials had proven very satisfactory and that under the system in vogue there had not been recorded a single instance of a mistake in the transmission and receipt of a train order. In the opinion of the officials this remove the main objection which has been made against the use of the telephone, the objection of inability to mistake in the transmission of orders. The main tests have been made on the line from Aurora to Chicago, a distance of thirty-eight miles, where the passenger and freight business is the heaviest of the whole system. The other main test was made on the Savanna and Galena branch, a distance of one hundred miles, where the freight and passenger business are both very heavy. The advantages of the telephone, as stated by the management, are that it greatly enlarges the choice of men for the operating service. Thousands of destined for this home. On Saturday

good men can talk intelligently over the telephone where comparatively a few can use the Morse code; it lessens the possibility of a strike, and in the event of a strike makes it much easier to fill the positions. Complete records of all orders are kept. There is little doubt that the example of the Burlington will be followed by other roads.

County Supervisors In Session

The county board of supervisors met on September 13 at the court house at Wheaton. Supervisor Betts presided. All members were present. Bills were read and referred to respective committees. The county clerk was authorized to sign the necessary form for the connection of the court house severs with the Wheaton severance. Doctor E. S. Higley was appointed county physician. The following bills were duly passed:

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| C. P. Bartlett, committee work and mileage | 8 18 00 |
| C. B. Blodgett, care of dependent children and expenses | 11 00 |
| E. E. Boddy, committee work and mileage | 8 20 |
| F. H. Kramer, committee work and mileage | 8 30 |
| Amos Churchill, committee work and mileage | 8 40 |
| William Hammett, committee work and expenses | 19 50 |
| V. H. Fairbank, committee work and care of transient paper | 25 50 |
| E. H. Metz, library services on board of review | 26 50 |
| C. D. Hartnett, services on board of review | 27 50 |
| Thomas Betts, services on board of review and committee works | 28 00 |
| Johann H. Knapp, burial of two transient papermen | 28 50 |
| Johann H. Knapp, supplies at county farm | 29 00 |
| John H. Knapp, laundry, carpentry, caskets, plumbings, labor | 29 50 |
| C. F. Hartnett & Company, plumbing and supplies | 30 00 |
| W. C. Hunter, blankets for county pad New & Bonthick, sewer pipe, cement, for county farm | 30 50 |
| Adolph Jennings, four floor broom for court house | 31 00 |
| Hans Engle, water main on Naperville street | 31 50 |
| H. W. Vanderpool, services as county physician to physician, fees | 32 00 |
| N. L. Miller, money for county expenses | 32 50 |
| John Sutcliffe, fire brick and clay | 33 00 |
| John D. Kehler, burying paper | 33 50 |
| William W. De Wolf, deputy fees and custodian personnel | 34 00 |
| W. H. Johnson, printing and express | 34 50 |
| R. B. Stevens & Company, express | 35 00 |
| A. D. Kelly, laundry and dry-cleaning | 35 50 |
| C. A. Dillinger, paint, brushes, etc., for county farm | 36 00 |
| Daniel L. Finch, medical and surgical services for transient papermen | 36 50 |
| D. J. White, burial of deceased soldier, Wheaton electric light company, light for July, 1891 | 37 00 |
| Wheaton electric light company, light for August, 1891 | 37 50 |
| Chicago Telephone Company, toll for August 26, 1891 | 38 00 |
| V. L. Hamilton, printing and express for county offices | 38 50 |
| Gordon Manufacturing Company, five dollars to the fire department | 39 00 |
| Cathleen A. Company, application report | 39 50 |
| W. L. Gould, assistance taking insurance in Wheaton | 40 00 |
| Illinois Northern Hospital for insane, extra expenses to patients to June 1, 1891 | 40 50 |
| M. J. Morgan, postage, express and books | 41 00 |
| R. T. Morgan, clerk fees for July and August | 41 50 |
| J. M. Hiser, heating depots | 42 00 |
| John Hartnett, car for under expenses | 42 50 |
| J. M. Hartnett, check late in June, July, August and September, 1891 | 43 00 |
| W. J. Hallinan, deputy fees and expenses | 43 50 |
| Officer W. Strubin, committee fees and expenses | 44 00 |
| Phoebe Hospital, room rent, carpet bill | 44 50 |
| Mrs. J. Kelley, care of Charles Mason | 45 00 |
| W. A. Underwood, two calls on post office, county jail | 45 50 |
| Illinois School for deaf and dumb, clothing, furnished to the county inmates, to July 28, 1891 | 46 00 |
| P. F. Pettingill & Company, books and blank for county offices | 46 50 |
| City of Wheaton water works water to August 1, 1891 | 47 00 |
| R. G. Gardner, deputy fees and expenses | 47 50 |
| J. M. Hiser, board and washing for summer, from April 2 to September 10, 1891 | 48 00 |
| W. J. Hallinan, deputy fees and expenses | 48 50 |
| Officer W. Strubin, committee fees and expenses | 49 00 |
| George A. Zellar, superintendant of that institution, to the effect that they will receive the eight women, now confined at the county house, at once, and that they will be in shape to receive the ten men in a short time. The taking of these incurable insane from the county farm will be a great relief to the superintendent and matron of that institution and to the county as well. | 49 50 |

County Farm To Be Relieved of Insane

There has been an effort made to get the incurable insane, some eighteen of them, which have been confined at the county farm, into some state institution where they could receive more thorough care. This was made possible by the opening of the Illinois asylum for incurable insane, at Peoria. County clerk H. F. Lawrence is in receipt of a communication from George A. Zellar, superintendant of that institution, to the effect that they will receive the eight women, now confined at the county house, at once, and that they will be in shape to receive the ten men in a short time. The taking of these incurable insane from the county farm will be a great relief to the superintendent and matron of that institution and to the county as well.

Gasoline Explosion and Lightning

Last week a La Grange resident met with what might be termed a "run of bad luck." On Monday Mrs. Adams, while washing curtains in gasoline in the basement of the family residence, was suddenly enveloped in flames by an explosion of the gasoline. She had two gallons of the dangerous fluid in the tub and near her was a can containing three gallons more. When the explosion occurred the woman had presence of mind to rescue the can from the flames, although herself on fire. She ran screaming from the house, and it was only after much difficulty that the neighbors succeeded in putting out the fire and saving her life. The fire company put out the fire in the house. But this was not all the fatalities that were

night the same house was struck by lightning, which went down the chimney, leaving soot upon a number of pieces of furniture, rugs, curtains and other household goods. The excitement of both the lightning and explosion, with serious burns on her face, hands and arms, left Mrs. Adams in a serious condition. At last report she was improving.

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Cass Correspondence

Frank Craigmire, of Lyonsville, was in Cass last Sunday.

Miss Lena Breyer, of this place, was married to a young man of Chicago last week.

The presiding elder will preach in the morning at the Cass Methodist church next Sunday.

Remember the pie and cake social at Ira Heart's next Thursday night, October 6. Everybody welcome.

Charles Hawkins has purchased a splendid team of dapple gray horses and will engage in farming the coming year.

The money for the artistic iron fence at the cemetery is nearly all secured, so the enterprise is assured. The fence will cost \$300. Cass people always have taken a deep interest in the appearance of their cemetery.

M. D. Madden and wife have been unfortunate in the way of sickness of late. Mrs. Madden has been under a physician's care for some time. Mr. Madden returned from the city last Sunday, where he had been for two weeks under treatment for an injured foot.

We have received a report of a recent baseball match played between the Orhard Brothers' baseball club, of lower Cass, and the Barbers' Corner club, in which the former were victorious by a score of 10-9. The writer dwells on the merits of the victorious players, one of whom catches every ball that comes within ten feet of him, because of his aerobatic motions; another when batting sends the ball half a mile past the center fielder; while the "best of all" is Michael Sheltka, as he has time to run around the diamond three times, get a drink and lay around for ten minutes before the Barbers' Corner players send the ball to the pitcher's box.

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