

News of the Neighborhood

He Was Drowned While Skating

Eddie Jolitz, five years of age, was drowned Thursday afternoon in the river at Carpentersville. He had accompanied an older brother skating and in playing about fell in.

Her Scalp Is Torn Off

A dispatch from Sterling, Illinois, December 13, says: Miss Nora Edmunds' hair caught in a revolving shaft this morning and the hair was torn out and the entire scalp was removed from her head.

The New Postal Regulations

All postmasters are directed to warn patrons by posting notice in the office, or otherwise, against alleged agents offering to rent or sell private boxes for the reception of mail matter at residences or places of business. Such agents have swindled people in various parts of the country for several years past. The usual plan of operation is to rent boxes for a term of five years for fifty cents. The rent is collected in advance but the boxes are never delivered. In other instances agents have sold outright, collecting in advance but failing to furnish boxes. These agents sometimes operate in cities already provided with free delivery but are more apt to select towns in which it has been announced that the service is to be established.

Found a Hidden Fortune

The widow of Willis D. Clem, a farmer of Blount township, this week found \$7,000 in a satchel in the attic of her house, where it had been hidden by her husband before his death. No one knew that he had accumulated such a sum. There was \$2,540 in gold and paper money, \$2,050 in government bonds and a building and loan certificate for about \$2,400. The cash gave evidence of having been out of circulation for many years. During the hard times of 1893 Clem became afraid that the banks with which he did business would fail and took all of his money home. Search is now being made for additional sums.

Mail Is Carried by Trolley

A mail contract has been signed for the carrying of mail between Aurora and Joliet and Plainfield by the trolley line connecting those cities. It is claimed that this will greatly facilitate the handling of mail between those points, giving them service several times during the day.

She Swallowed a Tack

A few days ago Miss Ruby Spielman of Farmington, Illinois, was holding a tack in her mouth and laughing at the same time. The tack was drawn into her throat with the intake of breath, and swallowed. Since then a pain in her side has developed a fear that an operation for the removal of the tack may be necessary.

Bradford Man Attempts Suicide

James Maple of Bradford, a prominent and well known farmer, attempted to commit suicide Wednesday noon and the affair has stirred Bradford to the bottom. The victim is lying at the point of death because of two bullet wounds in the head and his recovery is looked upon as impossible. Forging notes to the amount of \$5,000 and inability to settle drove him to despair and suicide.

Wholesale Robbery at Elgin

A wholesale robbery which occurred in Elgin Saturday night or early Sunday morning is puzzling the police of that city. Fourteen different offices in the town district were entered by someone, and when the tenants arrived next morning they found their safes open and papers strewn all over the floors.

Trolley from Yorkville to Morris

William H. Hopkins of Chicago and John C. Hopkins of Aurora, arrived in Morris last night with the object of ascertaining whether the people of this city are in favor of granting a franchise for a new electric road running from Morris to Yorkville. They say they can secure the right of way across the country, but wish to learn first whether they will be allowed to run into this city, before they make any unnecessary expenditure of money. The gentlemen have had large experience in railroad building and seem to thoroughly understand their business. They say that it is only a question of a very short time when a road is going to come into Morris from the north and run west to connect with the road at Marseilles. This connection will make an electric line running half way across the state.—Record, Yorkville.

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Cattle Are Dying of Blackleg

Blackleg, the dread of all cattle raisers, and an incurable disease, has made its appearance in Warren county. From almost every section come reports of the disease. As rapidly as possible whole herds are being vaccinated and every known preventative is being used to stop the spread of the disease. The first cases were reported some weeks ago and were in isolated herds. Of late, however, the disease has gained great headway and some of the best blooded herds in the country are now affected. From adjoining counties reports of the same nature are being received, and it seems probable that the disease will become general over this entire section of the state. The strange thing about the pest, and yet at the same time a characteristic of it, is the fact that the

best and seemingly the most healthy cattle in the whole herd are the ones first affected and the first to die. Reports from Stronghurst tell of the appearance of the pest in that neighborhood and of the death of a large number of cattle. This disease is said to be infectious. It is incurable, and the animal once a victim of the disease cannot be saved. As a means of prevention, vaccination is said to be the best and only successful method to follow. As to the cause of the disease authorities differ. Climatic conditions are said to be in a large measure responsible, and the fall of the year is the time when the disease most frequently puts in its appearance.

Book and Magazine Review

The December number of "The Open Court" magazine is just out. It is a very interesting number. Its contents are: "At the Battle of Nan-Shan Hill," by the Right Reverend Shaku Soyler, a Japanese Buddhist priest who visited the Chicago world's fair in 1893; "The Struggle in the East," by the editor; "The Japanese Calendar," by E. W. Clement, M. A.; "The Significance of German Literature of the Eighteenth Century," by John Firman Coar, Ph. D.; "Tolstoy on the Russo-Japanese War."

One of the neatest and brightest little gems in the way of a book publication finds its way to our table. It is entitled "My Little Book of Prayer" and is by Muriel Strode, an Illinois poetess, who shows great warmth and soul writing as it might be termed. Here and there a vein of radicalism may be detected, yet not to mar the worth of the writer's production. Conservatism is banished from her work with a strong hand, and its antithesis is not enthroned as by some writers, but used just enough to give the reader real meat for thought and consideration. The little volume is handsomely bound in gray and gold, printed on Strathmore Japanese parchment paper in clear cut types, with a modest red border outline to the pages. The Open Court Publishing Company of Chicago are issuing it. Here are a few of the choicest gems according to the taste of the editor of this department:

**MY CREED**  
Not one holy day, but seven.  
Worshipping, not at the call of a bell,  
but at the call of my soul.  
Singing, not at the pastor's sway,  
but to the rhythm in my heart.  
Loving because I must.  
Giving because I cannot keep.  
Doing for the joy of it.

Let me live this life with no thought of a hereafter, then I may live it as I would were there no hope to retrieve.

He shall be my mentor who can love more and forgive oftener.  
He shall teach me duty to self who can make sacrifice.  
He shall teach me skill at thrift, who caters with a lavish hand.

It is but common to believe in himself, but O, if you would do such uncommon things, yet in him who does not believe in himself. Restore the faith to him.

May God forgive your weakness — but let him damn mine.

Let my grave be unmarked: I fear not to be forgotten.

I searched up and down the earth — and found it in my own soul.  
I implored heaven and hell — and the field daisies answered me.

Say not that this or that came to thwart you; it came to test you.

Count not upon the distinction that thou has chosen share of joy.  
The rabble may have of my gold and my pleasures, but Oh! I will have a care as to who shall share of my sorrow.

An Unusual Lynching Record

According to a Chicago paper which claims to have looked up the statistics in the matter not a lynching took place in this country during the month of November. This was the first month for twenty years of which as much could be said. Whether the cessation of this crime for the past few months is due to accident or to an improvement in our social fabric or to any other cause is not explained. Most likely it just happened that way.

Ira D. Sankey Totally Blind

There are few who have not heard of Ira D. Sankey, the world famous gospel singer. The day of the sweet singer who has stirred multitudes in many lands is practically done as he is totally blind and will never see again. In his decline Mr. Sankey is still the sweet soul of the old day when he was with Moody and he spends his time now in seclusion waiting for the end.

Fund For Wheaton College

Efforts are being made by the friends of Wheaton college to raise a fund of \$50,000 to care for the current expenses of the institution. One man who declines to permit the use of his name, has agreed to add ten per cent. to any fund up to \$50,000 raised by January 1 next. He already has contributed liberally to the institution. Any one wishing to aid should communicate with the president, Charles A. Blanchard, or the faculty.

The Circuit Court Jurors

Following are the jurors summoned for the adjourned term of Circuit Court, which convened in Wheaton on Monday. Judges Bishop and Ruth are sitting. Judge Ruth has charge of the jury cases and Judge Bishop heard chancery cases in his chambers:

Addison — William Blazer, Fred Hoppenstedt, Henry Hener.

Bloomington — Henry Hann, Albert Meyer, Adolph Haberstick.

Winfield — James Campbell, Frank Field, Mathias Leonard, Fred Rohr, Charles Fisher, Charles Rohr, Sr., William Jager.

Milton — H. Ward Mills, George Hesterman, H. M. Plummer, R. O. Ott, W. H. Meyers, George W. Meacham, Herbert Dodge.

York — D. Ben Mische, Daniel Lawler, Fred Heineberg, Henry Scharlau.

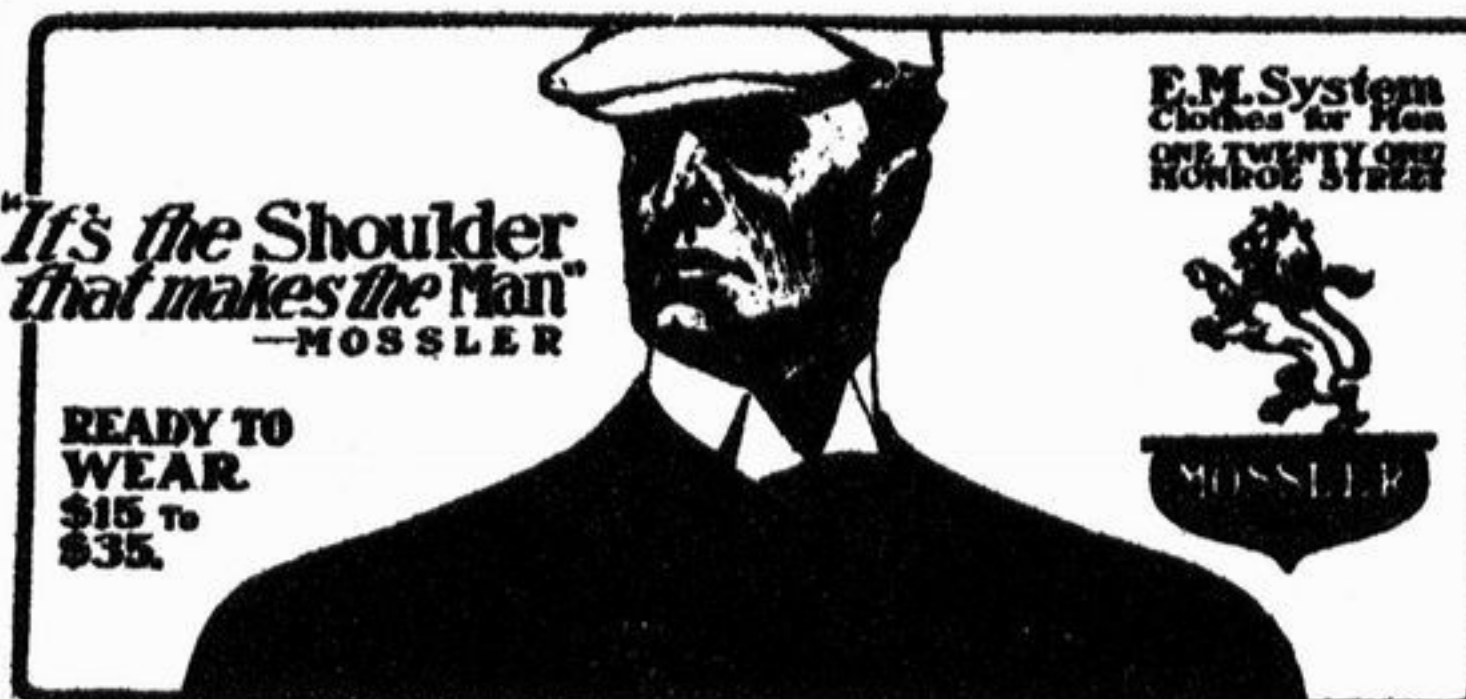
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Fried Paroh..... 15	Veal Pot Pie..... 15	Broiled Ham..... 15	Fried Paroh..... 15
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