

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

H. F. Schuettler and wife to William Jones, lot 67, So. Highland addition to Highland Park, w. d.	\$3,000
George B. Carpenter and wife to Effie R. Mosher, lots 16 and 17, block 1, J. S. Prall's sub, w. d.	1,000
Emma R. Mansfield and husband to Otto B. Butz, lots 49 and 50, South Highland addition to Highland Park, w. d.	700
Marty Rankin to Anthony Kleitz, S 1/2 lot 9, block 2, J. S. Prall's Fort Sheridan sub, w. d.	100
Charles B. Rice and wife to Emil Rudolph, lots 8, 9 and 10, block 72, Highland Park, w. d.	5,760

THE ATHENÆUM.

The annual meeting will be held this (Friday) evening in the Athenæum building at 8:30 o'clock, immediately after Rev. S. M. Johnson's lecture on "Hunting Among the Rockies." This meeting is to elect directors, hear reports and do anything else that needs to be done. As the meeting is of great importance, it is hoped there will be a large attendance. Tell all your neighbors and friends to attend. The Young Men's Club is in a prosperous condition, such as to command the respect and support of all good citizens.
P. C. WOLCOTT, PRESIDENT.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

The children make merry on Prof. Gray's pond these moonlit evenings.

Mrs. Thomas P. Evans, who has been on the sick list, is reported as much better.

We are pleased to inform the many friends of Mrs. Tillman, that she is convalescent.

E. S. Wells is expected down here at the Bible meeting Sunday night in the Bethany Church.

The whist club enjoyed a pleasant evening at Mr. and Mrs. George D. Boulton's, last Friday.

Mrs. G. D. Boulton gave a dinner Wednesday evening for her sister from the Province of Ontario.

W. W. Boyington's family gave a card party to a lot of friends from Chicago and the Park Thursday afternoon.

J. R. Cole, formerly night operator here, was in town Thursday. He has secured a position in the depot at Lake Forest.

City Clerk Finney, after a severe "collison"—not collusion—with the Electric railway, took a day off and went to Chicago Thursday.

Dr. Elisha Morgan, father of our Capt. O. H. Morgan, died last Saturday, the 16th, in Ripon, Wis., aged 86 years. The funeral and burial were in Madison, Wis.

The Ossoli Club met Thursday and devoted the afternoon to Folklore, a very carefully prepared and interesting paper by Mrs. Thomas H. Hudson. The whole question of myths, and especially fairy tales, was treated, with a great variety of opinion. The club is invited to meet with the South Side Club of Chicago next Tuesday afternoon.

The K. L. C. E. of the First United Evangelical Church held a sociable last night at the residence of R. G. Evans. About 50 were present and all report a pleasant time.

Our enterprising fellow citizen, Fred Clow, was in Lake Forest the other day and surprised the Forester folks by leaving a silver dollar in their till: something which don't happen every day in a country office.

John Freberg hitched up his Hambletonian into that new swell side cutter yesterday and took a sleigh ride on the hubs. The sleigh was painted pure cream with light tinted ornaments, and Mr. Freberg calls it his "bridal sleigh".

W. W. Flinn, the city treasurer, has spent a couple of weeks in Aurora, helping one of his Chicago acquaintances, as receiver of an estate. Mr. Flinn is an expert business man as well as an accountant, hence the value of his services.

OUR LIBRARY.

When we read one day this week that President Blackstone of the Alton railroad had just presented his native town of Bradford Conn. on the sound just east of New Haven, with a Public Library building costing \$300,000 and then gave the town \$200,000 more as an endowment fund to buy books, etc. Well, we envied Bradford; in 1890 the population was 4640, but a little more than we have: they have Long Island Sound to look out upon, and we have Lake Michigan. Just think of it; the interest of it, the interest of \$200,000, or \$8000 to \$10,000 per annum to pay current expenses and buy books. Here we get \$200 to \$300 a year, and \$100 or more is used for running expenses. When we get to be postmaster, giving the town \$300 a year, it will have instead of \$100 as now to buy books, about \$500, for none of ours will go for expenses, and we guess we shall compel the city to put \$300 into books.

Why can't some one who was born in the Park, or somewhere else will us some money for a library building, not a quarter of a million, but \$5000 or \$10,000 more, and then some one else help us on the books. Our heart is set on the Park having a fine public library, more brains and books and less beer and bestiality. We sometimes think President Blackstone, or some such man ought to go about the country lecturing on "How to Make Your Will," or "What to Do with Money." Curious also is the fact that the people who have not the money know best, so they think, what to do with

it, while those who have the money won't follow instructions.

Some 20 years ago we spent two winters in a purely farming community that had a \$500 library and we went to work with a course of lectures and cleared \$500 each winter for that library. There was no village, nothing but farmers, and yet we sold 75 family tickets and that library and that community is flourishing today. Its young men and women are brainy and are making their mark in the world. Men of Israel, help our public library.

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