

LOCAL ITEMS.

The N. M. A. will play the Northwestern Academy Ball club of Evanston next Wednesday on the Cadet grounds.

At the rate contractor Barstow and his men are pushing the Central avenue paving we shall have a finished street there in early summer. They have introduced some new features in their methods of contracting for work; men and teams get what they really earn and no more; the right method every time.

The Bastin family who have lived here nearly three years returned to Chicago Monday. For their business hours they cannot be so far out; they go to Calumet avenue. There were several children in the public schools. They were a godly family, the conspicuous thing in that household was the Bible. A family thus reared will make men and women who will be of the salt of the earth.

Last fall Prof. W. H. Russell, of the Sylvan Dells school, showed us his rival pumpkin and squash. The former was named McKinley and the latter Cleveland. In September the harbinger of prosperity was far ahead of its democratic rival. Hence, he divined the pumpkin prophecy as meaning prosperity to Sylvan Dells, and it came and keeps at it, with a much better promise for next year, than he had a year ago. He gave us some of the details which we will give the public later on. We are glad for Prof. Russell's sake and for the sake of the city, the habitat of the Dell's school.

Dan. Sheahen, one of the popular milkmen of the city, posted off to Oakfield, Wisconsin, Tuesday and Wednesday was married to Miss Lamb, well known as a former resident of this city. Dan has a new house on Central avenue all ready for his bride. He is not only a thorough successful business young man, but one of the most popular in the city. He is so jolly, good-natured and big-hearted that everyone likes him, and he will do his full share toward making one of the happiest homes in town. He is one of the sons of the late Patrick Sheahen one of the old residents of the city, a man who established himself and family here, builded for them a home, acquired a handsome property and left to his children the heritage of a good name, and Dan is doing well his part to preserve his father's good name and character among us. The News extends its hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sheahen, expecting for them long and prosperous lives.

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