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## CITY COUNCIL.

There was an adjourned meeting Monday night. As some of the members did not come in till half-past eight, or later, the mayor wisely but frankly and plainly told them they must be more prompt; that they kept so many people waiting and made the meetings run so late. Attorney Smoot went to Lake Forest on the 7:29 train, attended their council meeting, saw them adjourn, and came home just after our council had started and saw to all the legal matters here. A reform in this matter is imperatively demanded, and Mayor Evans is entitled to a vote of thanks for calling attention to it.

Messrs. Cushman and Fritsch were not present. Mr. Driscoll sent in a petition for a sidewalk on the east side of McGovern street, from Laurel to Central avenues. The city attorney's letter of recommendation concerning the redemption of Michael Duggan's lot, amounting to \$31.57, was presented and approved and the purchase money ordered paid. We shall refer to this again and explain fully what it means. It took about one hour to get through with the bonds of the several officers. The attorney's bond is \$500, and he had Daniel Pease for surety; clerk's was for \$500—the old bond fixed 17 years ago—and on motion of Alderman Phillips it was raised to \$1500; the mayor's, \$3000; sealer of weights and measures, Edward Laing, \$200; Policeman John Kline, \$2000. The city treasurer's—Fred Greenslade's—is \$40,000, and he had as sureties Dr. Bergen, Thomas Duffy, F. M. Evans, A. W. Fletcher, John Mooney, W. M. Sweetland, and the council approved the surety, but Mr. Smoot objected to the signatures, as some of the men signed by their initials only thus: L. B., instead of Lewis B. Hunt; the "L" may stand for Lewis, Loveland, Locke or Limbo; hence, in law, the name must be written in full, and Mr. Smoot insisted on Mr. Greenslade getting the signatures on again. The discussion

over this matter of signatures was quite lengthy and lively, but the attorney insisted on having the law fully complied with in this big bond, even though it makes Fred Greenslade quite a bit of extra work.

Mrs. Julia M. Gerry asked for a permit for a new brick veneered building, with iron roof, on First street, between the hotel and the old barn—granted according to the ordinance. The month's supplies were ordered, a couple of small bills were ordered paid, and finally, about 10:30, the council adjourned.

## WEDDING BELLS.

Cupid scored another victory on the west side Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Lizzie, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthias Blattel of Laurel avenue west, was united in marriage with Mr. Philip Schrieber of Chicago. The bride is a well-known west side young lady, beloved by all who know her as one of the most worthy, best-disposition and lovely girls in her circle. We all know the thorough and sterling worth of her parents. The groom has been for some years connected with the army, but they expect to make their home in Chicago. The ceremony was performed by the young pastor of the Bethany church, Rev. Samuel Hauch, in the presence of a large circle at the bride's home.

There is a little county down in one corner of Vermont—"old Windham"—that can boast what no other county in the country outside of Cook, Illinois, can boast; it has on the faculty of the University of Chicago two of its sons. One of them is from Wandsboro, a mountain town so high, and the season so short, that corn won't ripen, and where Daniel Webster made a great Whig speech in the old Tippecanoe campaign of 1840. But they can raise brains down there, where they can't raise corn.

Evans Bros. have a fine window display of hammocks, etc.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

Schumacher's syrups are all made from the fresh fruits.

Roscoe Conkling Fletcher, better known as "Ross," was home over Sunday from school in Racine. He returned for the balance of the term Wednesday morning. He rode all his father's horses bareback while he was here and was not thrown once; he is not that kind of a boy.

A. H. Storms, city editor of the Antioch News, gave us an early morning call Monday. He said the News, his News as well as ours, is the same, and their new milk man's paper at 50 cents per annum was fairly booming. The Antioch News is one of the phenomenal successes in Illinois journalism, and it is a success well-deserved, too.

The bicycle dealers of this city found the renters such a tough, careless and irresponsible set, that they won't rent wheels this year. Though they charged good prices, they lost money by the renting plan. We are happy to know that nine-tenths of the renters were out of town folks; Park people generally have better sense and honor, as well as a fair amount of common honesty.

If you have any idea there is a leakage in your sewer or soil pipes, or plumbing anywhere don't send for a plumber, for he don't know anything about it and can't tell any more than you can. Send to S. Burtis, of 950 West Adams street, Chicago, an expert, whom we have known since 1884. He spent two years with us in the New Orleans exposition and since that time has been in the sewer gas detective business. We have seen him operating in big Chicago buildings, like the American express and others, and never knew him to fail. Hundreds of Chicago men and firms have him inspect their blocks and homes every year and he has many patrons in Evanston, Lake Forest and other suburban towns. There is no humbug in any respect about this man.