

ABOUT TOWN.

A press dispatch says, "Patchen is in New York," but we thought he was in Cumming's drug store when not on jury duty at Judge Dooley's court:

A. P. Dunn, the man who sells paper collars, magazines, the morning papers, etc. has by some means induced the managers of the Thomson estate to repaint and decorate his store and the Larkin boot and shoe store, just around the corner. The roof of the entire building has recently been put into good repair and when all these contemplated changes are made the block will present a greatly improved appearance.

Chicago has a custom which we ought to adopt. In sprinkling its boulevards they leave a yard wide strip through the center that is not wet down for the use of wheelmen. Every cyclist knows what a nuisance as well as how dangerous sprinkled streets are for wheels and this is but a just concession to a large class of our citizens. Let it be tried on the block pavement on the west side first and see how it works.

Mrs. A. W. Fletcher returned from California the other day, and her husband says the reason she has not appeared more in society since her return is the fact that she left her wardrobe in the Golden State and filled her trunk with curios, one a skin of a 25 foot whale ready for stuffing and mounting, and California plants by the score. The supervisor says he will have to buy another farm to set them out on. She reports a delightful winter out there and if her home was anywhere else than the Park she would think of going out there to live.

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