

LOCAL ITEMS.

The best ice cream soda water in the city at Dale Sweetland's.

H. S. Gail, an old-time litigant, had a suit last week in Judge Doolley's court, with a jury. He brought in a claim for \$42 against J. B. Denman, who had an offset of \$30. The jury heard all the evidence and cut Mr. Gail's charges down to \$26, leaving him in debt to Mr. Denman \$4.

We see that after three years' trial of partnership, Burke & Storms of the Antioch News, have dissolved, Mr. Burke the founder, retaining the paper and business. They have made an exceptionally good paper, and built up a good business, but a country paper is better with one than two heads; circumstances demand it and that is the final outcome.

You don't believe the people read the ads. Of course they don't. But you put an ad over your name that you will give the boy who brings you the best cat next Monday evening at 8 o'clock, a silver dollar and 16 to 1 you will get all the cats you want; if you don't we wont charge you anything for the ad.

The severe drouth extending from May 3d to June 16th was broken Wednesday by very heavy showers, accompanied with an abundance of lightning and thunder. Over an inch of water fell here in the forenoon, while in Chicago none came till 3 o'clock. Lots of people were caught without umbrellas or mackintoshes.

Col. Davidson's bicycle brigade were in Maryland when last heard from, and they are due in Washington today or tomorrow. So far they have had no mishaps, have made their 80 miles a day, have lived in their tents and have excited lots of enthusiasm along the route. The papers have been full of it all the way down there.

The Keystone League rally was quite a success. A delegation from Chicago arrived on the 7:30 p. m. train, and while standing at the depot witnessed the baloon ascension with the parachute connection. The North Northfield young people came in buggies and bus. After an enthusiastic program all present we e served with refreshments prepared in the League room by the local league. A number of Leaguers walked down Central avenue toward the lake, and while returning sang some familiar hymns. They left on the 10:55 train all in a happy mood. It is expected that these rallies recur about every 4 or 5 months as a permanent feature of neighboring leagues.

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