

LOCAL ITEMS.

Colonel and Mrs. Davidson are home from a week's outing in the wilds of Michigan.

Pastor Gould gave an entertaining and instructive talk on China over in the Bethany church Sunday night.

The Scott family are in J. L. Ball's house for the season, while Mr. and Mrs. Ball think of visiting the Rockies.

The American Express Company know they have a very competent and reliable local agent in this city in the person of John Duffy.

Mrs. James McDonald gave a quiet lunch Tuesday to a few of her friends. It was pronounced a very recherche affair by those present.

Mrs. G. B. Cummings returned Tuesday from her trip to Alton and St. Louis, attending the funeral of her sister's husband, Mr. Buckley, who died last week in Arizona.

Earl H. Purdy, consul for the L. A. W. at this place, has been chosen as a delegate to represent northern Illinois at the L. A. W. convention to be held at Philadelphia, Aug. 4 to 7. He will stop off at Washington, D. C., on his way back, to visit relatives.

Sergt. John Jennings and Corporal Irving Palmer returned Saturday night from the week's encampment of the First Regiment at the Springfield encampment. They report a pleasant time and their company "I" maintained its honorable record in the regiment.

Clarence A. Murray has again entered on his duties as postmaster of Waukegan. Irrespective of his politics and religion, neighbor Murray is the best postmaster Waukegan ever had. He has the native inborn postoffice genius, and if a man has not that, he is out of place licking postage stamps.

Munsey's Magazine has a circulation of 700,000 a month in the United States. That rather beats the NEWS, but we are forging ahead all the same and will get there all right. When Colonel Bradbury of the Waukegan Patriot said the other day his circulation beat all Lake County publications, he accidentally forgot the NEWS.

We think the scheme of the library board is to lay aside \$500 a year of their income for three or four years, and then go in with the city in a new or greatly enlarged and improved city building. Can we wait three years more with such conveniences as we have now? Some folks may die in three years.



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