

LOCAL ITEMS.

Rev. H. H. Thoren begins a several weeks revival service at Deerfield next Monday.

D. M. Erskine Jr., & Co., the real estate dealers, have closed the sale of the Lewis P. Erskine property on Central avenue for \$5000 cash, the purchaser being Mrs. Clara R. Smith. Central avenue is now one of the most popular streets in town.

Lucian J. Rice, Dan Cole, Charles Gastfield, John Freberg and James Higgins finished their work on the petit jury Thursday morning; drew their pay and came home, with the consciousness of having done their duty well. It was a good set of men throughout.

Rev. A. K. P. Small, D. D., for many years pastor in Bangor, Me., and one of the first preachers of the old Pine Tree state filled the Baptist pulpit Sunday; and he filled it. For a long time we have not heard so clean cut, logical, well worked and scriptural a sermon. Such preaching as that builds up churches in the truth, and such churches stand for and are mighty powers for good. Prof. Small, of the University, is his son. We know now where Prof. Small got his brains.

Eli Perkins, the popular humorist and lecturer, has been secured by Dr. Thoren to deliver his new lecture on "Fun and Facts in Japan and China" on Thursday evening, Nov. 18, under the auspices of the Young People's society of the First United Evangelical church. This will be a great treat to Park people, as it is not often that such talent can be procured for small towns. Lithographs and particulars announcements will be out next week.

We had a delightful call of half an hour or so Tuesday afternoon from Mr. Burlingame, a book agent representing Houghton, Mifflin & Co. of Boston. He has been in their employ 21 years. He is a gentleman from start to finish, and people familiar with book agents know how much that means. He came to show us their Justin Winsor's Critical History of America, the best work in the English language, in eight or sixteen volumes. We have known of it for several years, and want it more than any other historical work. We wish our public library owned it, as a work of reference at least, if not for general circulation. The library would be greatly enriched with these standard works for the use of our school pupils. One part of their education should be learning how to use such works.

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