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At the firemen's meeting last Friday night, the same board and officers which have served the past year, were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Place your orders with Dale Sweetland for the famous Original Allegretti chocolate creams for the holidays. Will be here fresh for Christmas.

Fred Schumacher has secured the agency for the graphophone. Any one contemplating the purchase of one of those instruments, are invited to call at his place and examine it.

Fred W. Schumacher, since Mr. King retired, has induced G. W. Maerklin into the soda water box in his store. Between sodas, they are hot now, he will put up prescriptions of all kinds with neatness and dispatch.

Our City Attorney Smoot is in Denver. He has not been any too strong since his tussle with carbunkles and a change and rest were ordered, hence this trip, taken with a friend to Colorado, Arizona and possibly other semi-civilized portions of our national domain, not including Hawaii.

Paul Gieser informs us he has a few more flocks of first class turkeys out in Lake County specially reserved for the holiday trade. Every poultry man knows that it needs a "right cold snap" to put on the finishing touches of succulence, flavor and quality. That is what Mr. Gieser has done. Place your order early.

Having looked up the law we find it obligatory on the Council, to re-divide the city so as to have four wards and eight aldermen. We intend to have an editorial on the subject next week and one which will make the oldest inhabitant feel as though he had renewed his youth. Better subscribe for the News now so as not to miss; only \$1.00, from now to January 1, 1897.

Mrs. Bingham attended a reception given by her daughter, Mrs. Dr. N. T. Jamieson, at her home on the south side, in Chicago. Mrs. Jamieson's daughter-in-law assisted in receiving. It was a very delightful social event. Dr. Jamieson is known as the Illinois member of the National Republican committee, as well as a leading man in his party in this state and in Chicago.

The Baptists have arranged with Mr. Vines to supply their church till June, preaching Sundays, doing what pastoral work he can and conduct the weekly prayer meeting, which benevolence will be held Friday, instead of Wednesday evenings. He attends to his duties in the Chicago University during the week, and he may congratulate himself if he does not break down, or seriously impair his health by these double labors.

Ed. F. Morris' Lyric Swan Glee Club, one of the leading colored organizations in the country, is to appear at McDonald's hall, Thursday, Dec. 30th, in an entertainment in aid of the Home for Aged Colored People, at Glencoe. A full house should be in attendance; it is for a meritorious charity, and besides, it is not very often our people hear such singing as is promised us by the above company.

Americans Speak Better English.
As a people, Americans use better English than is used in any other English-speaking community in the world. In England it is well known that the inhabitants of one county often cannot understand the speech of their neighbors across the line. A university bred Londoner is as much at sea amid the patois of the Yorkshireman or his brother from Essex as would be an Italian.

HIGHWOOD HAPPENINGS.

Dame Plunkett's Singing School.

The play, "Dame Plunkett's Singing School," which was given at the M. E. church last Wednesday evening was the most successful piece of dramatic art ever given in this village, both as a literary and financial venture. The attendance comprised over 150, the church was crowded and standing room was at a premium. The entertainment started with a piano solo by Mrs. Sheldon of Fort Sheridan and the play proper was introduced by the Misses Jean Collins and Mabel Gray.

The brilliant sallies of wit by the various actors, as well their outlandish costumes, excited the merriment of the whole audience. George W. Turner, as Squire Bellingham, although for the first time introduced in the capacity of a stage artist to the Highwood public, was received in a most flattering manner, as was also Mrs. C. D. Gail as Dame Plunkett. Bad acting was conspicuous by its absence. The singing of the old songs was one of the events of the evening and met with a great success. The proceeds, amounting to over \$40.00, will be devoted to obtaining fuel, etc., for the church. The cast of the play was as follows:

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Mehitable Plunkett . . . Mrs. C. Gail
Squire Bellingham . . . Geo. W. Turner
Julius Caesar . . . A. C. Jewel
Cynthia Bigelow, Mrs. J. B. Denman

FIRST TREBLES.

Sylvia Nightingale . . .
Miss Belle Mowers
Prudence Petijohn, Miss Jean Collins
Patty Dalrymple, Miss Maud Collins
Dolly Endicott . . . Mrs. A. C. Jewel

TENORS.

Jeremiah Green . . . J. W. Ingram
Sandy McPherson . . . Thomas Gail
Job Pettigrew . . . Samuel Pease
Hadac Comstock . . . Jesse B. Denman

SECOND TREBLES.

Naney Jean Morris . . .
Miss Mabel Gray
Sally Ann Carew . . . Miss Bertha Bell
Penelope White . . . Miss Lulu Bell
Patience Styles . . . Miss Mamie Cox

BASSES.

Zachary Whitcomb . . . Joe Denman
Jefferson Jones . . . W. Belmont
Martin Luther Joyce . . . T. L. Horne
Benjamin F. Brown, F. S. Culbertson

UNCLASSIFIED.

Betsy Martin . . . Mrs. G. W. Turner
Moses Simpkins . . . H. Hoyt Holden

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Johnson, a boy, last Tuesday night.

T. L. Horne has left George Spencer's photograph gallery at Fort Sheridan and has gone into business at Hartwell's.

A new building is being built on Waukegan avenue, up by Van Loan's, whose dimensions are 30 by 60. It is a two-story frame building which, it is said, will be occupied by an Evanston man as a saloon.

J. T. Pluard of Chicago has purchased from Baird & Warner the two-story frame store on Highwood avenue, just east of the railroad, which was occupied for so long by Mrs. A. J. Steensohn. The building is to be moved to the vacant lot just south of M. Gibbs' place on Waukegan avenue, where the owner will open a saloon.

A party of I. O. G. T. members, fifteen in number, fled into Bert Skidmore's four-horse rig last Saturday evening, and went out to Libertyville as the Highwood delegation to the Good Templar bazar, which was held at that place. Although the roads were very rough and muddy, the team made good time and the members of the party took the bazar by storm. They arrived here early Sunday morning, after a most pleasant evening.

A memorial service of the K. of P. was read last Sunday afternoon at 2:30 for the late H. S. Cooper, who was a member of that lodge. The ritual was beautifully solemn and effective. The singing was by a ladies' quartet composed of the Misses Shelton, Miss Savage and Mrs. Geo. W. Turner. Remarks were made by Mr. Hicks of Lake Geneva, the brother-in-law of the deceased, and the eulogy, written by J. W. Ingram, was read by F. S. Culbertson. The ceremony lasted for about an hour and was a beautiful testimonial to the popularity of the dead man and to the sorrow for his untimely end.

Miss Blick has returned to school after an absence of six weeks.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Nellie Palmer has been absent for the past three days, on account of sickness.

The High School will close the 23rd of the month for the Christmas vacation.

The colors of the Excelsior society have been floating over the school for the past few days.

Miss Stewart has presented to the school, a fine framed picture of the Madonna, by Bodenhausen.

The subject of the coming debate which is to take place the 23rd of this month is: "Which is the more necessary to modern life, wood or iron?"

HUMAN ALARM CLOCK.
Meg Martyr, of London, Makes a Living by Awakening People.
Up at three o'clock in the morning, off to rouse the early laborers, tramping through the poorest streets in all sorts of weather—that is the work of Meg Martyr of London, night watchman, says an exchange. She goes from house to house armed with a long bamboo rod. Upon the windows of her customers she bangs until, as she puts it: "They 'oliers an' 'sweat; then I know they're awake right enough." Stevedores, dock laborers and factory hands are her customers. Her little girl helps her, and between them they earn about 25 shillings a week.

Meg used to work in a rope factory for the noble sum of "six an' six" a week for ten hours' work a day, which being interpreted means a weekly income of \$1.60. It is a sum which does not provide one with the comforts of civilization, and, upon the advice of leaders in the Women's union, Meg stirred her associates up to demand higher wages. The demand was refused and the women went on a strike that lasted 13 weeks in the dead of winter. Then the employer gave in and the women were allowed nine shillings a week—\$2.25.

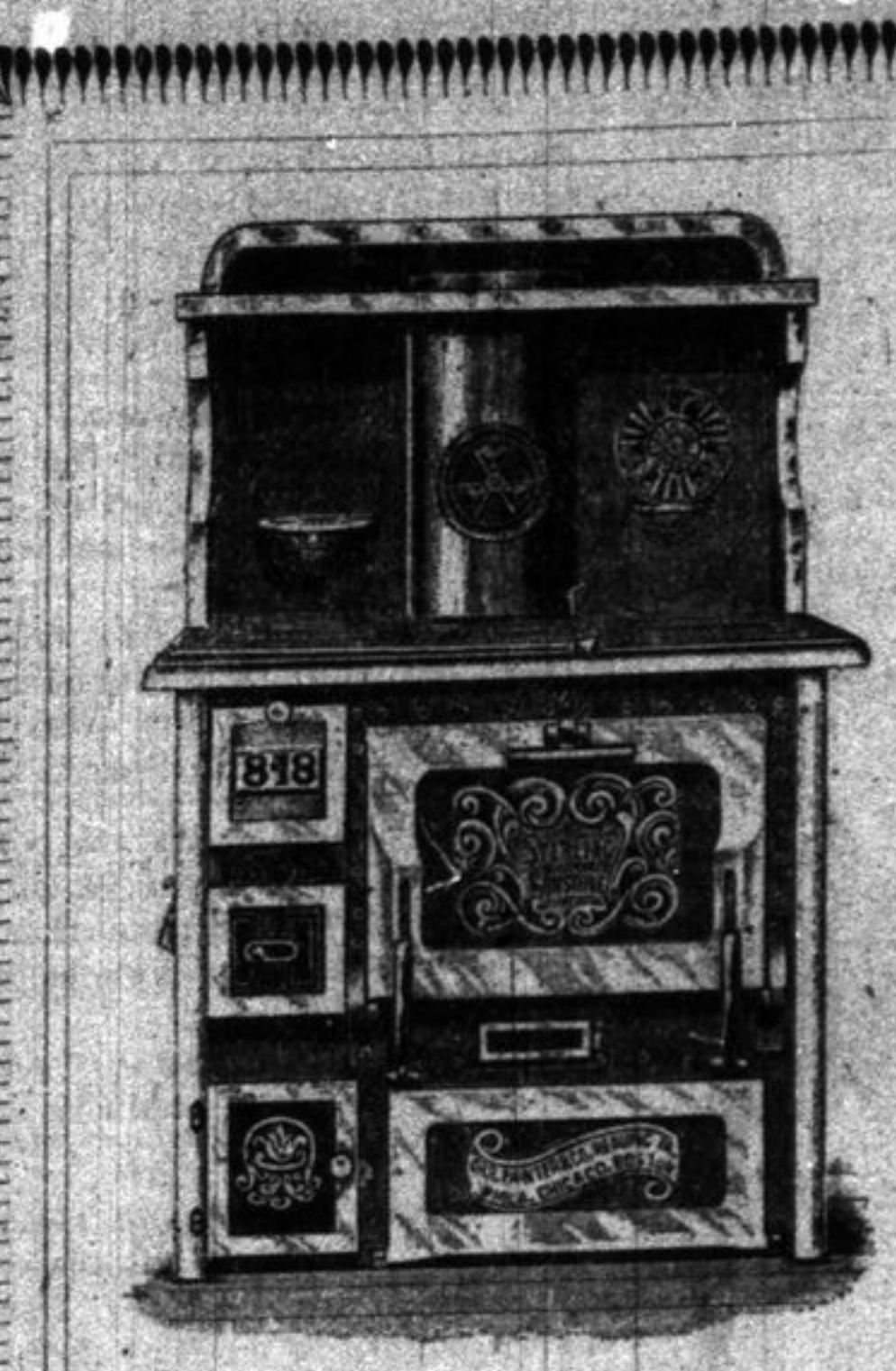
But Meg was not permitted to enjoy the fruits of her victory long. When she knocked down a foreman for insulting her, her activity in leading the strike was punished and she was dismissed.

Now she is her own boss, but she is still active in the Women's union. She has the cause of the women workers so keenly at heart that she has become an authority on work and wages in her district. She attends night school to learn to read and write, in order that she may more effectively help in the great war of labor against capital, in which she strongly believes.

WHEN LAWYERS WERE SCARCE.
Curious Facts Shown by a Census of Those Who Practiced in 1820.
In the year 1820, under the authority of the state of New York, an enumeration of the lawyers entitled to practice at the state or local courts was made. The regulations for admission to the bar at that time, says the New York Sun, were simple and easy to comply with. Nevertheless there were found to be only three lawyers on Staten Island, 43 in Westchester, 60 in Albany, and 45 in Onondaga. Monroe county had not then attained the distinction which it has had since the growth of Rochester into a city and it had within its borders only 17 lawyers, while Columbia county, which has since given to the bar of the state many learned jurists, had 32, and Dutchess county 52. The people of Long Island were even less inclined to litigation than they are now, for in the whole of Suffolk county there were six lawyers only, in Queens county there were but two, and in Kings county (it is very different now) there were three only.

In Boone county there were five lawyers, in Greene 21, in Putnam three, in Steuben 12, and in Tioga 14; but perhaps the lawyer of that period who enjoyed what might in these days be called an easy snap was the one member of the New York bar who resided in Orleans county. After 1820 there was a large increase of lawyers in New York state and in 1834 they numbered 2,084.

A New Rabbit.
The new species of rabbit of a diminutive size, tailless and with short ears, has been found near the volcano Popocatepetl, in Mexico.



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THE CLUB ELECT

The annual meeting of the Highland Park Club for the year of regular business, held at the house on the evening of the 15th, after hearing the report from the secretary, treasurer, and the election of officers for the ensuing year, was held at the house on the evening of the 15th. After hearing the report from the secretary, treasurer, and the election of officers for the ensuing year, was held at the house on the evening of the 15th. After hearing the report from the secretary, treasurer, and the election of officers for the ensuing year, was held at the house on the evening of the 15th.

At the conclusion of the retiring president, M. Shields, read his report substance, was as follows:

Gentlemen of the Highland Club:—The ceaseless roll brought us to the close of the fiscal year in the affairs of life, and it now devolves as your retiring chief executive to give a brief account of ship, before once more I sell like Cincinnatus, to suits, and my "Lares—I have thrice accepted honor you had within always with a feeling of born of a sense of my fill the office as I feel filled. The affairs of order that it shall be the highest degree of occupy a very considerable of the time and thoughts and directors. To be a active club, there should many plans advanced and concocted, and discussed internal fires of the aglow, have the member and the people on the "qui vive" to know what happen next, and make-siders feel that they are swim if not in this club that I have not been a past year, to devote as and attention to the aff club as I think an ex-should, and I believe of directors all feel as I have given a considerable our attention to meeting discussions of our club's I believe have accom- good work, but in our esty we leave you to st have been good and fair of not. One of the mo features in the success is the entertainment ce the most trying and ex-sition one can hold in t be a member of that co- owe a great deal of the organization to Mr. Va chairman of that comm- co-laborers. As to standing of our club, y the report of the treas- think you will agree w ly satisfactory, consid- we have been passing the competition we ha club business, the pa several years back, th much discussion as to increase our voting an