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FRIDAY, APRIL 15.

If our board of health would visit the back yards, alleys, inspect the drainage etc. of some of these houses where people are so sick, some valuable information might be secured. Coleridge said he found seventy separate and distinct stinks in Cologne. Perhaps some of our back yards could rival the great cathedral city.

An Alabama statesman has devised a new way for settling one of the perplexing social problems of every community. His scheme is simple, popular and effectual. It is this, have every town, city, or county and in large cities, every ward vote once a year to see who is the worst or meanest, or wickedest man, and then hang the one who gets the most votes.

PERHAPS the men and boys who hunt bird's nests and kill the birds and squirrels, don't know there is a new city ordinance with a fine of \$10 for every offense. Besides that, the Gun Club has offered \$10 for every conviction and the Club has persons all about town on the watch. We mention this because some of our boys and reckless young fellows don't know the risk they are taking. Besides it is a very wicked thing any way, and the people here are determined to have it stopped.

SPARROW killing has cost Illinois so far, \$55,000 and there are now in the state more sparrows than when they began. They used to have a bounty law for bears in Vermont, \$20.00 for each bear's head sent to the state treasurer and every year the number of bears increased. Everybody feeds the tramps and the number increases every week. We used, in boyhood, to pick up 25 stone-heaps to the acre on the old farm every time the lot was ploughed and there were as many stones in the soil at the end of 20 years as at the beginning. Some funny things in this world.

Miss Frances E. Willard died in New York, Feb. 18th, her body was brought west, where the public services were held, last Saturday it was cremated in the Lake View crematory and Sunday afternoon her mother's grave in Graceland was opened down to the casket and Miss Willard's ashes sprinkled on the coffin amid a great perfusion of flowers from her parent's Vermont homes, her birthplace and other places. We honor Miss Willard for this disposal of her body. We don't want to live always, but we do want to live long enough to see cremation respectable and common.

The efforts of Congress to induce the old G. A. R. veterans to enlist against Spain, by telling them what the country will do for them and their families, makes us think of what a shrewd old man down east said at a war meeting, when the town was trying to ward off a draft. The hall was full and the occasion was one of great solemnity, enlistments were slow, men stood in fear of the draft. Finally the old man arose and in a

shrill piping voice said, "Young men enlist, please enlist we don't want a draft. If any of you get killed the town will put you up a grave stone." But the young men did not enlist.

The advantages of life in this closing decade of the nineteenth century are something wonderful. We were offered a membership in the American Athletic Association, the other day for the trifle of \$6.00 per quarter for dues and then we could see the boxing and the vaudeville performances, things which so stimulate the intellect, elevate and refine the moral sentiments, cultivate and refine the manners! When we think of poor old Solomon with none of these privileges, we pity him, though he was the wisest man who ever lived!

LAKE County is about 23 1/2 miles long by 19 1/2 miles wide on an average, the narrowest place being just north of Lake Bluff. A line drawn due south from Lake Bluff would come just this side, or east of Deerfield village. If our depot was on a straight line with Waukegan's, it would be way west of Mr. Goldberg's brick yard. The county has an area of about 460 square miles, or 294,400 square acres. Its population in 1890 was 24,235, a gain of 2,939. The gain since 1890 has been much larger and in 1900 the county will have nearly 30,000 inhabitants. In 1840, it had 2,684, almost as many as the Park has now.

The story is told of a teacher in Somersetshire, England, who wished to show off his pupils to some visitors and so one day asked a bright child to name the first few books of the Bible and received the following reply, "Exeter, Litchius, Numbers, Astronomy, Jumbo and Ruth." That seems a fearful random reply, but we do not doubt its essential truth. Since the Bible, in the old King James version is the finest specimen of pure English literature it should be studied as such, and should be familiar to all. The greatest orators of modern times as Chatham and Burke and Pitt and Macaulay and Webster were perfectly familiar with it and enforced their oratory with apt quotations.

A WONDERFUL CHANGE.

We conversed some ten years ago with a lady in Des Moines, Iowa, who went into that western world as a missionary's wife from Connecticut some fifty years ago, and she said, in those early days, it took thirty days for a letter to reach her from her friends in the old New England home. At the beginning of this century the late Josiah Quincy, tells in his diary of a trip he made from Boston to New York, enroute to Philadelphia, by a stage line operated by one, Mr. Pease, whom he styles an "enterprising Yankee." — a relative of our distinguished judge. He says the journey from his home to New York took just a week's time: the last time we made it, we left New York at 3 o'clock p. m. and were at our Boston home in bed and asleep before midnight. In 1852 an uncle of ours sailed from Boston for India, and was nearly six months on the way. The Russians are completing their Great Siberian railway from the Ural mountains to the Pacific Ocean and when done, save from New York to Bremen and from Shanghai to San Francisco, the journey around the world can be made by rail and the whole trip put into thirty-three days:

New York to Bremen 7 days
Bremen to St. Petersburg 2 "
St. Petersburg to Vladvostok 10 "
Vladvostok to San Francisco 10 "
San Francisco to New York 4 "

By rapid express trains the time can be reduced five days, or the trip around the world in twenty-eight days. That is among the most remarkable achievements of the nineteenth century and we do not much wonder that when George Stevenson

proposed to an English parliament committee in 1834 to run trains at twelve miles an hour, one man protesting against such perilous speed said "you might as well be fired out of a rocket."

No such wonderful and important changes were wrought in all the 2500 years from the founding of Rome in 753 B. C. to the founding of Chicago in 1833 A. D. as have been wrought since the foundations of our suburban neighbor were laid 65 years ago. The next move will be pneumatic tubes with a trip from Chicago to Washington in an hour or so, and so on to New York and Boston or breakfast in Chicago and dinner in Boston with a breathing spell in Washington.

A FOOLISH POLICY.

For some reason our west side neighbor, Judge Dooley, wanted to defeat S. P. Brand for alderman and so set out to run Paul Gieser. What Mr. Dooley's real objections are, we don't know, but the one he presented to the official board Monday night was that Mr. Brand was indebted to the city because his building is three feet over the line on Second street. Now if Mr. Dooley knows as much about law as we think he does, he knows that he is assuming Mr. Brand's indebtedness before it is proven and we think it is good law and certainly good equity which regards a man as innocent till he is proved guilty. So far as we know, the city has not made any demand on Mr. Brand for damage nor has it ever informed him his building is over the line, and neither Mr. Dooley nor the official board can decide whether Mr. Brand owes the city anything for damages—that must be decided by the courts. When Mr. Brand built his block, he did his best to find out where the corner was and went according to the survey given him, and now for Mr. Dooley to step up and say Mr. Brand owes the city damages, don't just prove it.

This whole subject was up in the council last season, when Mrs. Hammond made her claims for a rebate, to which she is entitled, and the city attorney informed the council that a careful and accurate survey of that whole section over there was necessary to establish the real corner, before they could say where the error is. If Mr. Dooley, or anybody else, has any valid objection to Mr. Brand, it is perfectly right and proper to make it, but this kind of stuff not only does not hurt Mr. Brand at all, but it really injures, in the eyes of the public, the persons who file such kind of objections. When Paul Gieser saw that he was to be used as a cat's paw to pull some one's hot chestnuts out of the fire, he peremptorily refused and withdrew his name. We may add that Mr. McCaffery and Mr. Brand signed each others petitions, to show their friendly relations and will work and vote for each other.

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