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The manufacturers of "Pillsbury's Best" recently filled an order to one firm in Boston 6000 bbls. sent by special train. Boston is getting aristocratic and discarding her historic diet of baked beans and brown bread.

The season for calendars has come again and we hope the insurance fellows will not forget the Editor. We also hope Dan Sheaben's milkmaid will get on the right side of the cow this year. To sit and milk on the wrong side is liable to make a cow give gargety milk.

Our attention has been called to the fact that during the month of November there were added to the library of the University of Chicago 1,040 volumes; 703 by purchase, by gift 233, and by exchange 114 volumes. Those are enough to make quite a respectable library for some communities.

One of the noblest deeds of today in England is the raising of half a million dollars by General Kitchener to found, at Khartoum, far up the Nile, where General Gordon was barbarously killed January 28, 1885, the Gordon Memorial College for training the children of the fellaheen the hope of Egypt. That is the Christian, and therefore the wisest

way to "avenge Gordon." None of your blood-thirsty, warlike "Remember the Maine" in that. It will insure for Egypt and the Soudan what the Robert college at Constantinople has done for Bulgaria and the Christian colleges of India have done for that land. General Gordon will be remembered as long as time shall last in the very land he died to redeem.

A lot of students in a female seminary, not at Lake Forest, were made sick. A careful investigation showed they were eating baking powder bread, and using cheap powders, with lots of poisonous alum in them. A seminary that uses baking powder bread should be closed by the public authorities.

There are several coachmen, as well as owners of teams, who leave their horses unhitched in the street, before the post-office, stores, at the depot, etc, contrary to the ordinances of the city. For the benefit of all such, we will say the authorities have instructed the police to bring suits against the offenders and it will cost from one to ten dollars to settle the matter.

Boston is building a new Union passenger railway station at an expense of \$14,000,000. The Northwestern may cut off the three right hand ciphers and put the balance into a new depot for the Park and we won't complain. Brother Hughitt, it is about time to do something out here.

There is an active volcano in Alaska some 13,000 feet high which lights up the country for over fifty miles away in all directions that the miners can see to work all the time. Now let us get a volcano and settle the perplexing question of street and municipal lighting. From all we can learn one may arrive next spring: — with the opening of navigation, you know!

Now that wheelmen can ride on the sidewalks the only complaint we hear is of women and children being frightened by the riders coming up behind them noiselessly on the walk.

Every wheel should have a bell on it, the riders ringing it vigorously before reaching people on the walk, even though he turns off the walk in passing ladies and children. No wheel should be allowed on the walk that does not have a good alarm bell to be used in passing people.

We were told a few days ago the Village of Fort Sheridan has just issued a new edition of its ordinance. Ours is dated Dec. 1, 1896. Gentlemen, if you have one later please remember this municipal court, or we may have to fine you for contempt of court: that is what Judge Dooley does with recalcitrants, and it "brings 'em to."

We hear complaints of broken plank and holes in some of the sidewalks. One place down on Sheridan road was so bad that on a dark night a man fell into it, breaking the stalk of his valuable umbrella and the gold bows of his "specs," in all involving an expense of some \$3.00, besides bruised shins and general corporeal shaking up. The owner of that walk ought to pay that bill.

There is a custom in an eastern town which might be adopted here with success. It is known as "Auction Day." On a given day every month, say the first Saturday or once a week, at a well known place or auction room, people who have things to sell take them and they are sold off at auction. Let the auctioneer publish a list of the articles he has for sale in Friday's paper and everybody would know what he had. Try it.

The father of a subaltern in the English army says that his son, "after having had about \$5,000 spent on his education at a public school and being crammed for his examinations by various tutors, and about \$1250 more spent on his uniform and Indian outfit, obtained a Second Lieutenancy, for which he receives the munificent pay of 5s 3d (\$1.30) a day, a sum scarcely sufficient to pay for his messing, washing, and servant." In India this is increased to 202 rupees a month, but his expenses are at least 240 rupees. A balance is thus left on the wrong side, which this British parent has to make good.