

## Highland Park Department

### Electricity May Supersede Steam.

The work of elevating the Chicago & Northwestern tracks within the city limits has been completed after the expenditure of \$9,000,000, and for the first time since the great undertaking was begun, six years ago, the traffic of the system is now carried on in the old channels.

The elevation of the tracks has enabled the management materially to increase the number and speed of the suburban trains. Evanston now has 143 trains per day both ways, and the time to that suburb has been reduced to 20 minutes. The work has been under the personal supervision of President Hughitt. It is considered likely that steam as a motive power on the Northwestern may eventually be superseded by electricity.

### At Fort Sheridan Park.

Notwithstanding the heavy rainfall on the evening of the Fourth a large and enthusiastic crowd was at the Park to witness the display of fireworks. It was the largest, best natured and most orderly crowd ever there. The programme commenced with the entertainment in the pavilion, which was much enjoyed and applauded. Then came a bewildering display of fireworks which evoked many cheers, expressions of delight and words of commendation. Dancing followed the pyrotechnical display, Brindley's Imperial orchestra furnishing the music, and the evening passed all too quickly to those taking part. A first class company will hold forth this and to morrow afternoons and evenings with many minor attractions to help and make the time enjoyable. Considerable praise is due the Mexican band also for their rendition of several difficult and beautiful selections during the display. The management has gone to considerable expense in securing this organization, thinking that not only the novelty of a band of their description but their merit

as musicians would please the patrons of the Park. That Mr. Whittlar's judgment was not at fault has been proved by the enthusiasm with which they have been received everywhere. Their manager, Senor Romerero, is a national character in his own country, he enjoying the distinction of being the champion bull fighter of Mexico.

Musical instruments, strings, &c., at Schneider & Cooke's.

Mrs. A. T. Dorothy and guests attended the Carnival in Milwaukee last week.

Miss Crewe, of Richmond, Ind., and Mrs. C. W. Rilling, of Chicago, have been visiting Mrs. A. T. Dorothy.

Call and inspect the fine line of optical goods at Schneider & Cooke's. Expert optician will test your eyes free of charge.

Dr. Boulter spent a few days of last and this week fishing out in Michigan. He reports splendid luck.

Mr. C. H. White visited in Omaha Saturday and Sunday, returning Monday. He visited the Omaha Exposition and reports it as surpassing the World's Fair in interest.

Among those who are in attendance at the Y. P. S. C. E. Convention in Detroit are Misses Brand, Davidson and Alford and Messrs. C. H. Warren and Mercereau of this city.

Frank Duffy, of the C. & N. W. has been made night operator at the station and a Mr. Erikson of Kenilworth has taken the former's position in the day shift. Ed. Erikson, heretofore night operator, has been promoted and hereafter will have the title of assistant station agent affixed to his name.

F. K. Bumstead, manager of the Whitney Publishing Company has been in the Park for a week or ten days, getting information for the

third issue of the Waukegan and Lake County business directory. He reports business as very good in the Park—much better than he anticipated. His directory is the only complete work of that description ever gotten out and should command a ready sale.

Major R. P. Davidson, has gone to Dakota, with Deadwood as the focal point.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubens announce the engagement of their daughter Bertha to Edwin J. Mosser. Mr. Mosser is a lawyer who was educated at Muhlenburg (Pa.) College and at Harvard University. For two years he was instructor of Latin and mathematics at the University School in Chicago, and thereupon entered the law school of Michigan University at Ann Arbor, from which he graduated.

### Body Floats Ashore.

Last Tuesday morning about 8 o'clock Messrs. L. O. Van Riper and Alex. Scott, while sailing the former's yacht off the government reservation, discovered the body of a man being buffeted by the waves near the pier.

The remains were removed to Lake Forest, where Coroner Knight held an inquest Wednesday.

There was nothing about the clothes worn by the corpse to identify him. The remains appeared to be those of a man about 55 or 60 years of age, and apparently a sailor by occupation. On his right arm was tattooed the imprint of the rising sun, with the initials A. S. C. H. underneath, probably the initials of his name.

### The Nickel Plate Road

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