

If Not Ridiculous. Then Ludicrous.

We are not a little pained and a good deal chagrined to find that one of our aldermen is circulating the story around town that in the recent case of the City against the "blind pig" Judge Hibbard dismissed the case when the mayor and city attorney were trying to push the prosecution. There are a good many people in Highland Park who, not having yet reached the position of alderman, nevertheless know perfectly well that the statement circulated by this particular alderman is not only on the face of it false, but is absolutely ridiculous. In other words, that the police magistrate is powerless to dismiss such a case if the city attorney persists in prosecuting it. As it stands the alderman is not only making himself a little ridiculous in the eyes of his intelligent constituents, but he is reflecting upon the city attorney and the mayor, and we advise the city attorney for his own reputation to see the alderman right away and hush the matter up.

Fred W. Schumacher, the popular druggist, has gone into candy manufacturing, his specialty thus far being chocolate creams. Saturday, as a tentative effort, he made up 15 pounds, and when we went in Monday noon he had just one cream left for our editorial palate. Fred's goods are absolutely pure and that which we sampled was as delicious as any ever tasted. His first success has induced him to make preparations for manufacturing on a more extended scale and we expect soon to describe his "factory" in good style. His goods will not be inferior to the best and may be better.

The Democrats had a caucus Wednesday evening to elect delegates to their county convention. Among those selected were Mayor Cobb and Attorney Knox, who chaperoned the Republican delegates to their convention, John Sheahan, and President Hogan and Marshal Gordon of Highland. Some one wanted any of the delegates who had served as delegates for the Republicans to confess, but no one did so. Mr. Hogan said he went to their convention to see a horse in Libertyville, and he saw several others over there, delegates and otherwise, who had each to himself a whole "pony". They wanted postmaster Dooley to be nominated for the legislature.

A mad dog was on the streets Thursday forenoon, on the west side. Marshal Dooley, C. W. Aldridge and perhaps others started out for him with their guns but he escaped in the thicket west of Dr. Sweetland's.

August Benson lies dangerously ill at his home, of lung fever.

Miss Helen Morgan has returned from the east just in season to catch this fall of the beautiful.

Who will be elected president and members of the board of education next week Saturday, the 21st.

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Those who subscribed for the life of Moody, by his son, will be glad to know that it will be delivered in a few days, and if any have not subscribed they can do so now and secure the book.

Some wise people told us the policy of plain speaking, of courage and honest criticism would work disastrously for the paper. Somehow it don't work that way yet, for instead of that, old subscribers are renewing and new ones coming in of their own accord all the time.

In the First United Evangelical Church on last Sunday evening Rev. A. W. Mell the newly appointed missionary to Hunch, China, by the United Evangelical church, gave an interesting and instructive address to a crowded house. His theme was China and the Chinese.

Schneider & Cook are at their old stand on Central avenue, and will continue to do business there, employing a first-class watchmaker from one of the largest and most reliable Chicago houses. All our work is warranted. We will consider it a favor to have any watch returned which has not given satisfaction. The watch will be repaired free of charge.

Every vote for Mr. Obee is a vote for this present administration which, besides other things, has squandered the people's money. It has run up bills to over \$400 to help out our incompetent city attorney, besides court costs on assessments the court has knocked out. When this administration appropriated \$50.00 for a "secret service fund" to hire a Chicago detective to help find the "blind pig," as though these fellows did not know where to look for the animal if they wanted to find him.

Election Calendar.

Deerfield Township.....	April 3
High School Trustees.....	" 14
City of Highland Park.....	" 17
Board of Education, District No. 7.....	" 21
Filter Bed Ordinance.....	" 28

This gives our citizens five elections for one month. That ought to satisfy the most public spirited and patriotic.

Maj. Davidson's Automobile.

As is well known Major Royal P. Davidson, the Commandant at the Military Academy, has an automobile gun carriage for use in military service. It was constructed and tested here last autumn, and the Major and builders found some improvements could be made, and so it was sent back to the makers, the Consolidated Motor Vehicle Co. of Peoria for some changes. One is to have two instead of one front wheel on a stationary axle, the wheels connected with a rod moved by a lever in front of the driver and that lever held in place by a special spring catch.

Then, covering the front of the carriage at an angle of 35 degrees or thereabouts, will be placed a Harveyized nickel steel armor plate to shield the operators from the bullets of the enemy. In fact, every improvement which this company has made in automobiles will be embodied in the Major's. He has just returned from Peoria, and is greatly pleased with what the company is doing on his carriage. He also informs us that so great is the demand for their automobiles that they cannot keep up with the demand, though running their works to their utmost capacity.

Major Davidson will have his automobile in Chicago "Dewey Day," when he and his machine, with the Academy cadets, will have a prominent part and place on that historic occasion, and you want to be there to see it. There is a brisk rivalry among the the Western military schools as to which will make the best showing that day. You just put it down that the Major and the "N. M. A." won't come in at the rear.

He will go to Washington in his automobile about June 15th and show the War Department his gun that will fire 480 bullets per minute into the enemy some two miles away.

"I would rather vote for a yaller dog" than vote for this administration said a fourth ward man, who owns his home, pays his taxes and earns his bread with his hands. That man can't be bought with a bottle of beer or a little patting on the shoulder just before election. The west side men are not all fools.

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