

P. N.

### A Spring Blossoming...

In its new form the NEWS-LETTER is showing the vigor of its growth.

### A Summer Forecast....

The NEWS-LETTER will be better than ever and show the largest circulation in its history.

Don't you want to subscribe at our special rate, given in another column?



### Start the Summer Right

By advertising your business in the NEWS-LETTER. It's

### Business that

### Makes Business.

You can reach the towns it covers in no other way.

Did you ever realize that the truest economy is that which provides for liberal advertising.

LAKE FOREST, HIGHWOOD,

FORT SHERIDAN, HIGHLAND PARK,

RAVINIA, GLENCOE,

WINNETKA, LAKESIDE

VOL VII.

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1900.

NO 25

#### City Council.

There was an adjourned meeting Tuesday evening with a full board and a large number of leading citizens, especially from the third ward. B. W. Sciumacher, in behalf of the property owners on St. Johns' ave., read a paper signed by all his clients agreeing to take the St. John's case out of the Supreme court, provided the Northwestern Railway Co. join them and the city council pass a suitable resolution protecting his clients against any further demands than those agreed upon heretofore; the matter was referred to the finance committee.

The contested election case of Roberts vs. Davidson was then taken up. Col. Davidson waived certain technical rights so the case could proceed at once. Mr. Williston represented Mr. Roberts and J. Mc Greggor Adams, who had filed a protest as a property owner and tax payer. A lot of witnesses were called, Messrs. Dooley, Nelson, Stubbs, G. B. Cummings, Mc Greggor Adams, Roberts, Earl Purdy and City Clerk Finney to throw light on the use of the billiard room that day and the whole gist of it was that the room was closed to the public; they had a fire in there to warm up the front room used for the election.

Then came the plea of the attorneys, Mr. Williston for the contestants, Messrs. Smoot and Cole for Col. Davidson. Mr. Williston based his entire case on the illegality of the place, citing and resting on Sect. 30 of the election law. He emphasized the point that the old council was a board and this new council was really the one to try and act on the election and qualification of its members.

Mr. Smoot said there were just three points for discussion and decision. 1—Who selected the voting place; 2—Was that election place a billiard room that day in the eyes of the law? 3—If it was, what effect would that have in this case? He put his emphasis on the first point. He quoted the statutes to show that the city council and not the county clerk selects the polling place for city aldermanic elections. Chap. 24, Sect. 9—We shall refer to this again. The general election law and especially Sect. 30, on which Mr. Williston rested was for the election of county, state and national officers, and the county clerk selects the place. In this election the statute says the council selects the place and he read the law. He then cited numerous cases from the report to show that where there had been a full, free, and fair chance for all to vote, as was the case here, no informality or irregularity should invalidate the election. The great question in many of these decisions was "Did the people have a free and fair chance for voting?" That they did in our election is clear from the fact that the contestants raised no objections on that point.

Mr. Cole followed, touching some points raised by Mr. Smoot and prefacing his plea with the remark that no objection was raised as to the place or manner of conducting the election till after it was all over, and the contestants found themselves defeated. Had the election gone the other way does any one suppose Mr. Adams would be here filing his protest on the ground of that billiard room? Mr. Cole's citations, quite numerous, were to the effect that mere technicalities could not vitiate an election, especially where the will of the people had fair and free expression. The whole point in the many citations by Messrs. Smoot and Cole was to the intent that the will of the

people should be expressed and no one pretends, it was not so done in our city election, for both Roberts and Adams were present and voted and made no complaint.

Mr. Williston closed the case by claiming the citations of Smoot and Cole did not bear on the case and he put a good deal of emphasis on the exclusion of Roberts, of Utah, from Congress. The case closed at 11:30 p. m. when the public gracefully retired, leaving the council to make up its verdict, which it did in less than an hour, declaring the election void. The new election will be held June 16th.

The whole affair was conducted in a gentlemanly manner; there was no legal trickery, or bluff, or sharp practice of any kind. All lawyers did well; we think Mr. Smoot surpassed himself and how any alderman got away from the force of his law and logic, we do not understand.

#### Colonel Harlow.

The death of Col. George H. Harlow occurred Wednesday afternoon at 4:30, aged 70 years. Mr. Harlow's birthplace was Sacket Harbor, N. Y. When 24 years old, he moved to Tazewell county, Illinois. Here he was engaged in the commission business. Colonel Harlow was mayor of Pekin, Ill.

Mr. Harlow was closely connected with the state government during the civil war. He was one of the organizers of a secret organization known as the Union League of America. This organization sought in every way possible to preserve the Union. At Governor Yates' request he remained at home, although he had enlisted in the army. He held the positions of first assistant secretary of the state senate, private secretary to Governor Oglesby, inspector general on the governor's staff, having charge of the mustering out of the troops after the war. Colonel Harlow was assistant secretary of state, 1869 to 1873, and secretary of state for three years more. He also had experience in journalism, having served as city editor of the State Journal. Later in life he engaged in real estate and commission business in Chicago, from which he was compelled to retire on account of ill health. For several years he has lived a quiet life here in the Park.

The funeral occurred today. The body will be placed in the receiving vault at Rose Hill until removed to its last resting place at Pekin, Ill.

#### The Election.

The long looked for, much discussed filter bed election came off last Saturday, May 12, 1900, with the following results:

EAST SIDE	
Total votes cast	176
Against filter bed	147
For filter bed	29
Majority against	118
WEST SIDE	
Total votes cast	175
Against filter bed	149
For filter bed	26
Majority against	123
SUMMARY	
Total votes cast	351
Against filter bed	296
For filter bed	55
Ratio of votes, about 5 1/2 to 1.	

Dunn & Levin have taken the agency for Story & Clark, and other makes of pianos. Anybody contemplating buying a piano will do well to consult these people. Samples of pianos may be seen at A. P. Dunn's store, or at Levin's residence.

#### A Suggestion.

Some people seem to have misread or misinterpreted some remarks in the last week's NEWS-LETTER concerning the Highland Park Bank and public funds. One was a remark by one of the best business men of this city concerning the relation of the filter-bed question to the bank. It was not our opinion, but his, and so expressed, and he said only what many have said in one form or another. The originator and chief pusher of the filter scheme is one of the proprietors of the bank. After all that has transpired it is not so strange that people should think and speak as they have.

Cashier Holmes, whom we have always been told was the largest stockholder in the bank, is treasurer of the school funds, the use of which he has free. Whether he keeps them in his bank or not we did not know; he has the use of them wherever kept.

As to the city funds, everybody knows they are by order of the city council, kept in a Chicago bank.

As to the capital of the bank, we have always supposed that it was ample, and that they had all the money wanted or needed. We have no interest or desire to injure that bank or any other. It is a public institution, and any calamity to it would be a calamity to the public, and we are working for the public good. It has good sound men as patrons. We sincerely wish people would read and quote the paper as it is, and not as they imagine it to be.

The North Shore chapter, D. A. R., met at the residence of Lieut. Col. Bubb on last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. F. B. Jones' report of the ninth continental congress was read by Mrs. Lasher. The report was very full and interesting, abounding in bright and witty comments, so characteristic of Mrs. Jones. As usual the delegates were invited to many elaborate social functions at the White House, Corcoran Art gallery and elsewhere. After the reading of this report the meeting adjourned, and refreshments were served by Mrs. Bubb's charming daughter.

You can get your garments cut and basted; your button holes made; knife pleating, pinking and stamping done; feathers curled, cleaned or dyed at Mrs. Bohl's new store, in McDonald's block, Central ave.

Fine line of plated silverware at department store prices. William Rogers' goods, at Schneider & Cooke's.

FOR SALE—A pony phaeton in good condition. Leather top, upholstered with green broadcloth. Cost \$150 new. Will sell for less than one third. Enquire of R. G. Evans, West Central ave., Highland Park.

FOR SALE—by James McDonald, a big, second-hand ice box or refrigerator; price \$5.00. Also a lawn mower, but little used, for only \$3.00. Both are rare bargains; call quick.

STORE FOR RENT—In Highwood. On Highwood avenue near corner of Waukegan avenue. Inquire of Julius Laegeler.

#### Highland Park Briefs.

Mrs. Charles H. Baker is visiting her sister in Chicago.

Miss Jessie Foltz is visiting with Miss Ethel Aldridge.

Miss Elizabeth Carpenter, of Valencia, Ont., Canada, visited with Mrs. E. Moon last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dike, of Crystal Lake, are spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. Fred Clow.

Mr. and Mrs. George Whiteway and family, of Ravenswood, were the guests of their aunt, Mrs. E. Moon, over Sunday.

The steady increase of his business has compelled A. G. Orlund of the Highland Park laundry to add three new machines to his establishment.

The electric road are repainting their cars inside and out preparatory to their summer business. A new schedule with twelve minute service to Evanston and Highwood will be in operation soon.

Our Electric Light Company has a new two thousand light dynamo. When this dynamo is placed in service, the company will have full facilities to handle the 15,000 lights connected on their lines.

A. Abereromby of Chicago has taken up the plumbing business of C. H. White, in the Basy Block. Mr. Abereromby has worked for some of the largest firms in Chicago and is well fitted to give satisfactory service. His telephone is number 80.

The Choral concert last Friday evening was a great success, not so much in the size of the audience, though that was fair, as in the music, which was very fine. Our local talent did finely as the result of a winter's hard work, which proved the rare value of Miss Wycoff's instruction. The Chicago soloists more than filled the bill; their praises were on all lips. Miss Buckley, in particular, captured the audience.

Bishop McLaren will visit Trinity parish next Sunday evening, May 20th, and preach in Library hall at 7:30 and confirm a class. It will be an interesting occasion to thoughtful to religious people of whatever creed or place. Trinity parish is flourishing, although its own religious home lieth waste, till the rebuilders does his work. Read Ephesians 3: 14 to 21 inclusive, as an appropriate prayer for Trinity or any other church.

#### Highwood.

Misses Palmer and Long spent Sunday with D. J. Brady.

About two hundred recruits left Monday night on a special train for Cuba. Lieut. Reeves in charge.

T. L. Horne, the popular photographer, will leave Monday night for a two weeks' trip to the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Ives, Sr., who have been visiting for some time in southern Illinois, have returned.

The Odd Fellows' dance at Ft. Sheridan Park last Saturday evening was a grand success. A large company passed an enjoyable evening.

Messrs. Hogan, Condon, Clappitt, Welch, Turner and Muzik attended a reception at A. K. Stearns' home in Lake Bluff Wednesday night.

Thomas Deasy, of Edgewater, has purchased the bakery business of Mrs. M. Quirk. During her stay of a year and a half, Mrs. Quirk has made many friends who are sorry to see her go. We bespeak a liberal patronage for Mr. Deasy.

#### Winnetka.

The Turner family have moved into their new house on Ash St.

Mr. Ed. Cummins has been appointed chief of police of Kenilworth.

A small daughter has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aisen-drath.

Mr. J. H. Madsen has been enjoying a visit from his father the last two weeks.

Mrs. Winsor has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Oldfather, the past week.

The Woman's Society of the Congregational church, met with Mrs. A. B. Jones on Thursday.

The special dollar offer for the NEWS-LETTER expires June 15th. Do not be one of those to pay a half dollar more for the paper.

Miss Ella Ferry, teacher of the 6th grade in the public school, will leave Winnetka to take a government position, about the first of June.

Mr. Edwin James of Glencoe, entertained a number of friends at a birthday party last Saturday evening. Several young people from Winnetka were among the guests.

A union meeting of the Council, the Library Board and the Library Building Committee, was held on Tuesday evening to discuss the advisability of erecting a new library building.

The last meeting of the Winnetka People's club will be held at the town hall on Sunday evening, May 20th. This promises to be a splendid meeting and it is hoped that a large crowd will turn out. The meeting will begin again in the fall.

A meeting of the Sunday school teachers of the Congregational church was held at the home of Mrs. Prouty last Monday evening, to discuss the coming Children's Day exercises and other topics of interest. Mrs. C. Prouty gave a very interesting report of the "Child's Study Conference" lately held in Chicago.

A very enjoyable musical was given at the Winnetka club last Monday. Mr. George Dupont Hansen, pianist and Miss Dora Bartholdy, soprano, who are not strangers to Winnetka people, performed their parts with great ability. Miss Therese H. Eagle and Mr. Minton Dean were received with great enthusiasm which they certainly deserved, and completed a program which was a treat for those who were so fortunate as to attend. A luncheon was served before the musical at which about forty ladies were present.

The annual election of officers of the Winnetka club was held at the club house, Friday evening, May 11, at which the following officers and directors were elected—62 votes cast: President, S. W. Crandal, 43 votes; Vice President, N. Landon Hoyt, 37; Sec. R. B. McConnell, 42; Treas., L. L. Buchanan, 46. Directors—G. H. Leslie, 37; A. B. Jones, 37; E. W. Beach, 36; H. B. Totten, 33; J. J. Flanders, 42; G. F. Orde, 35.

The Rev. Jean F. Loba gives a very interesting and instructive lecture at the town hall, on Friday, May 18th, at 8 o'clock p. m. Mr. Loba lived some years in Paris and lectures on that subject which will be illustrated by 70 fine stereopticon views. The admission has been put at the exceedingly low price of 25 cents and the proceeds will go to the Woman's Society of the Congregational church.