

[The Farmers' Voice.]

Weaving.

We are weaving every day, as we pass along our way, intent upon our work or just as busy play.

Beneath the casual gaze of men, the angels' steady eyes, the Robes of Resurrection in which we shall arise.

When the trumpet's thrilling call upon our ears shall fall, and our dust shall throb and quiver, and it's vanished life recall.

When each hurrying atom seeks its own, though distance disallow, we shall wear the Resurrection Robes that we are weaving now.

Then the threads we sadly spun, and in darkness one by one wove in the fabric, wishing that the long, hard task was done,

Shall gleam and glimmer as a mist of lovely rose and blue, and the blacker threads of sorrow shall be made lovely too.

The glimmering glints of gold from a patience manifold.

Shall make a pattern sweet and strange, and beautiful to behold; and the white of purity shall shine, the tear spots fade away,

As we don our Resurrection Robes upon that last great day.

O, King of joy and pain, let us not weave in vain!

Touch Thou the fabric of our lives and make them fair again,

That, when our task is finished, within the heavenly place, clad in our Robes of Righteousness, we may behold Thy face.

Sociological Convocation.

The national sociological convocation commenced its annual session at Lake Bluff Thursday afternoon. The exercises of the first session consisted of a discussion. The subject of "Imperialism" by Hon. William Prentiss (Democrat) of Chicago, and "Expansion" by Hon. R. W. Coon (Republican) of Waukegan. The speeches were very interesting and instructive, and the subjects were both ably handled. This annual convocation is worthy of more attention on the part of the public than we fear it is getting. Our readers will do well, if possible, to attend the meetings and we would specially suggest the sessions of Wednesday and Thursday of next week. The following is the program for the remaining sessions:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4.

10 a. m.—Our Revenue System.

11 a. m.—The Cigarette, Lucy Pape Gaston.

2 p. m.—Compulsory Education, M. Lester Bodine.

8 p. m.—Exhibition. Moving Pictures, E. H. Emet.

Admission 25 cts., children 10 cts.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5.

9:30 a. m.—Sunday School.

10:30 a. m.—The Mission of Altruism, Rev. J. F. Berry, D. D., LL. D.

3 p. m.—Scientific Temperance Instruction, Helen L. Hood.

8 p. m.—Platform Meeting.

MONDAY, AUGUST 6.

10 a. m.—Woman in Church and State.

11 a. m.—Direct Legislation, Rev. A. C. Grier.

2 p. m.—Public Baths, Mary A. Moody.

8 p. m.—Single Tax, Louis F. Post.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7.

10 a. m.—Social Settlements.

11 a. m.—Dress, From the Physician's Standpoint, Mary Wild Poulson, M. D.

3 p. m.—Ethics of Dress, Anna W. Johnson.

8 p. m.—Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities, Hon. H. S. Taylor.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8.

GOOD TEMPLAR RALLY.

10 a. m.—The License System.

11 a. m.—The Saloon in Politics, Hon. D. R. Shinn.

2 p. m.—Domestic and Social Influence of the Saloon, Hon. O. C. Peterson.

8 p. m.—The Canteen, Samuel Dickie, LL. D.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9.

10 a. m.—Conflict Between Labor and Capital.

11 a. m.—Politics and Christianity, T. M. Compropt.

2 p. m.—Temperance, Rev. Burdette C. Baumgardner.

8 p. m.—The Pulpit and Social Problems, Rev. C. G. Kindred.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10.

10 a. m.—Christian Citizenship.

11 a. m.—Competition, Thomas Morgan.

2 p. m.—Woman and Work, Andrea Hofer Proudfoot.

8 p. m.—Art as a Solution of the Social Problem, George Kriehn.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11.

10 a. m.—Christian Socialism. What is it?

11 a. m.—The Fellow Who Wins, Rev. U. Z. Gilmer, D. D.

2 p. m.—Food as a Sociological Factor, Cornelia Simon.

8 p. m.—The New Education and its Relation to the Sociological Movement, Col. F. W. Parker.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12.

9:30 a. m.—Sunday School.

10:30 a. m.—The Church and the Saloon, Rev. U. Z. Gilmer, D. D.

3 p. m.—Complicity of the General Government with the Liquor Traffic, Rev. M. M. Parkhurst, D. D.

8 p. m.—Christian Principles and Social Problems, Rev. K. E. Buckley, D. D.

OFFICERS.

Rev. J. G. Evans, D. D., LL. D., superintendent.

Miss Helen L. Hood, assistant superintendent.

Mrs. Ida E. Haines, A. M., corresponding secretary.

Rev. F. W. Barnum, A. B., recording secretary.

Hon. V. V. Barnes, treasurer.

Rev. U. S. Villars, chorister.

Miss Florence Tunison, pianist.

Mrs. F. W. Barnum, organist.

Winnetka Council.

A regular meeting of the council was held July 24.

In the absence of the clerk, A. S. Capron was appointed clerk pro tem. All present.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved with the exception of the clause "as soon as the Conrad heirs have signed their property to a petition, etc.," which was made to read "as soon as the Conrad heirs have signed for their property a petition, etc."

A petition from property owners on west side of Chestnut street from Spruce to Willow street, and the west side of Birch street from the south line of Pine street to north line of Willow street was presented, asking that a cement walk be laid on said frontage.

Trustee De Windt moved that the petition be accepted and that the engineer be instructed to make grades for the sidewalk, and that the attorney be instructed to prepare ordinance. Passed.

A communication was read from J. T. Barker of Evanston, relating to sewage draining into the lake.

The matter was referred to the committee on sewers.

The president read a communication from Mr. S. S. Greeley in regard to the "Greater Chicago" question.

Attorney Osgood stated that

circulars had already been sent throughout the county stirring up an opposition to "Greater Chicago," that meetings were to be called and that the townships would be represented at these assemblies.

It was moved that the president be authorized to appoint a committee to determine what action should be taken. Passed.

Chairman Baker gave a report of committee concerning the contract with the treasurer. It was moved that the president be authorized to sign the contract as read, and the clerk to set the seal thereon and attest thereto. Passed.

An ordinance for establishing a grade for sidewalks on North avenue and Winnetka avenue was read. On motion the ordinance was passed and ordered engrossed.

An ordinance for building sidewalk on North avenue was read, also one for sidewalk on Winnetka avenue. On motion both were passed and ordered engrossed.

The president read an ordinance for the levying of taxes for the ensuing year.

It was referred the finance committee.

Bids for building cement approaches were presented by Hanson & Hoth and by Carl Mack. Hanson & Hoth estimating cost at 69 cents per running foot and Carl Mack at 68 cents per running foot.

On motion the contract was awarded Carl Mack. Unfinished business.

The president referred to the question of ordering the C. & N. W. R. R. to place flagmen at unprotected crossings.

The matter was dropped to be brought up again for consideration next meeting.

The president stated that a committee from Gross Point had visited him to see what terms could be made with the Village of Winnetka for supplying water and electric lights to the Village of Gross Point.

After discussion it was moved that the subject be referred to the committee of the whole to be called at the pleasure of the president.

The president appointed the next meeting for Tuesday evening, July 31, 1900.

Adjourned.

New Books in Our Public Library.

A—FICTION.

The Author of Beltraffio; Henry James—A 843.

The American; Henry James—A 844.

Confidence; Henry James—A 845.

The Siege of London; Henry James—A 846.

Tales of Three Cities; Henry James—A 847.

The Princess Casamassima; Henry James—A 848.

The Reverberator; Henry James—A 849.

The Aspern Papers; Henry James—A 850.

The Lesson of the Master; Henry James—A 851.

The Spoils of Roynton; Henry James—A 852.

The Warden; Anthony Trollope—A 853.

Framley Parsonage, v I, II; Anthony Trollope—A 854-5.

Dr. Thorne, v I, II; Anthony

Trollope—A 854-7.

The Small House at Allington, v I, II, III; Anthony Trollope—A 858-9-60.

Last Chronicles of Barset; v I, II, III; Anthony Trollope—A 861-2-3.

Rudin; Ivan Turgenev—A 864.

Virgin Soil, v I, II; Ivan Turgenev—A 865-6.

A Sportsman's Sketches, v I, II; Ivan Turgenev—A 867-8.

A Tear of the Steppes; Ivan Turgenev—869.

Oldtown Folks; Harriet Beecher Stowe—A 870.

The Downfall; Mile Zola—A 871.

Square Pegs; A. D. T. Whitney—A 872.

A Wounded Name; Capt. Charles King—A 873.

The Farringtons; Ellen Thornycroft Fowler—A 874.

The Professor's Laughter; Anna Farquhar—A 875.

Dwellers in Gotham; Aman Dale—A 876.

I, Thou and the Other One; Amelia E. Barr—A 877.

Through One Administration; Frances H. Burnett—A 878.

Flower de Hand; Mrs. Burton Harrison—879.

B—HISTORY, TRAVELS, ETC.

The Oxford Movement, 1833-45; R. W. Church—B 640.

Impressions of South Africa; James Bryce—B 641.

In Ghostly Japan; Lafcadio Hearn—B 642.

Towards Pretoria; Julian Ralph—B 643.

China, the Long Lived Empire; E. R. Scidmore—B 644.

Memoirs of the Baroness Cecile De Courtois; Von Keisenberg—B 645.

C—JUVENILE.

A Revolutionary Maid; Amy E. Blanchard—C 703.

At the Front; Oliver Optic—C 704.

Stories Told to a Child, v I; Jean Ingelow—C 705.

Stories Told to a Child, v II; Jean Ingelow—C 706.

The Life Savers; James Otis—C 707.

D—SCIENCE.

Bird Neighbors; Helge Blanchard—D 166.

Places of the Church Universal; A. L. Kip—D 167.

E—POETRY.

Rosamund; Algernon C. Swinburne—E 139.

F—ART ESSAYS AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Essays Critical and Historical, v I; John Henry Newman—F 390.

Essays Critical and Historical, v II; John Henry Newman—F 391.

Essays in London and Elsewhere; Henry James—392.

Home Economics; Maria Parloa—F 393.

History of Architecture, v I, II; James Ferguson—F 394-5.

Can a Legislative Body Confer a Right to Sell Intoxicants?

"No Legislature can bargain away the public health or the public morals. The people themselves cannot do it; much less their servants. Government is organized with a view to the preservation, and cannot divest itself of the power to provide for them!"—United States Supreme Court, Stone vs. Mississippi.

What Major General Shafter Thinks.

"I have always been strongly opposed to the canteen system or the sale of intoxicating drinks of any kind on military reservations, and have opposed it until absolutely overruled and required to establish a canteen at my post. I regard it demoralizing to the men, besides impairing seriously their efficiency. The plea that it furnishes a large sum, which it does, to improve the table fare of the men, is, in my opinion, a very poor one, as the Government of the United States is perfectly able to feed its men without any assistance from the profits of rum selling. I have absolutely prohibited the sale of liquor or the opening of saloons in the City of Santiago, and have refused permission for cargoes of beer to come from the States here.

"WM. W. SHAFER."

The above was written by Major General Shafter at Santiago. The question of interest to us just now is by whom was General Shafter "absolutely overruled and required to establish a canteen at his post?" The Secretary of War would have the military authority to do it, but the President of the United States is commander-in-chief of the armies, and the Secretary of War is only his agent; therefore, the President is responsible for General Shafter being overruled in a matter of so vital importance to the health and efficiency of our army.

Furthermore, General Shafter does away very effectively the whole question of selling intoxicants under the canteen system in order that the soldiers may have delicacies and other advantages out of the income from the sales of liquors.

The Liquor Traffic the Chief Occasion of Crime.

"The malignant action of alcohol upon the brain, and through this organ upon the mind itself, is sometimes spoken of as that of an excitant of the lower faculties or the animal passion; and some times that of a depressant of the higher and rational nature. Perhaps it is both; but we have no occasion to enter into the discussion. The subject compels brevity, and we do little more than suggest lines of thought.

"First. Drunkenness itself is, by statute and by reason, a crime—a social nuisance.

"Second. Drink excites the evil passions—how much or how little it takes to do it is a question of temperament circumstances.

"Third. It fortifies for crime.

"Fourth. It throws off the reins of prudence. Recklessness is one of the first fruits of drink. Reason teaches that crime is fully; alcohol clouds the reason.

"Fifth. It tempts to crimes especially of lust and robbery, by putting the victim in the power of the criminal.

"Sixth. And emboldens to crime by rendering its detection difficult where the necessary witness is wholly or partially insensible.

"Seventh. Idleness and poverty are prolific agencies in the production of crime; but intemperance is the main cause of these."

From "Alcohol and the State" by ROBERT C. PITMAN.

Associate Justice of the Superior Court of Massachusetts.

The building owned by John Rudolph and occupied by John Mohr, the barber, has been sold to Mr. Behrens. We understand Mr. Mohr will build a fine new building on the north side of Central avenue.

Schneider & Cooke for "specs."