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Highland Park.

Bazar patterns at Mrs. Bohl's. *

Miss Bella Grant spent the first of the week with friends in Chicago.

Mrs. A. Haefele spent several days of last week with her parents at Naperville Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Whiteway of Ravenswood, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. Moon last Sunday.

Professional Nurse, wishes engagement in Highland Park or vicinity. Address, P. O. Box 465.

The sale of the J. C. Cushman house and lot 25 block 23 to Hugh McFarlane Jr. has not yet been recorded.

Col. Turnley paid the NEWS-LETTER office a short call on Thursday and also inspected the new press and other machinery.

Miss Eliza Waite has sold to Paul Gieser 25 feet of her 100 foot lot, making both places now 75 feet front on Second street, lot 11, block 1.

Gerald Cheney spent his Thanksgiving recess at home but he brought his school books along, so as not to forget where he left off when school stopped.

Our readers will observe our enlarged paper this week. They will also not fail to read our thrilling story, dream though it was, it contains profound truths.

Think of it, our friends in the East went to church last Sunday in a sleigh and rejoiced in two feet of snow, while here we were basking in spring or early summer weather.

In the United Evangelical Church the pastor, A. Haefele, will in the morning, preach about "The Open Door," and in the evening about "An Important Question." Acts XVI. 30.

Schneider & Cooke have a fine line of jewelry, silver novelties and silver plated ware, for their Christmas trade. It will be to your advantage to see them before purchasing elsewhere.

Charles L. Bingham has sold Abel A. Putnam lots 12 and 13 block 53. Each lot is 100 feet front on Prospect avenue. Together they will make a fine building site. There are three more lots left in that tract each 100 feet front.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McFarlane Jr. are looking over the Cushman house and lot with respect of purchase and a home. Mrs. McFarlane, nee Nora Bergen, especially likes the Park and this will give her a home across the street from her brother's

John Putnam, who married Miss Winchester nearly two years ago, has with his father purchased the east portion of "Tanglewood," the Bingham place, and will build homes for their two families this season. At least that is the plan now. May it materialize.

The services at the Ebenezer Church for the coming Sunday will be:—11:00 a. m. "Satan a destroyer of Body and Soul," in the German language. 7:30 p. m. "Daniel in the Lion's Den," in English.

The Highland Park Club will hold its regular annual meeting next week Saturday evening at the clubhouse, to hear the reports and elect new officers for the year 1901. We trust they won't need the city marshal there to prevent a breach of peace.

Some years ago a man named James A. Story lived in this town. He died several years ago, and left some property and the courts where he died are trying to find his heirs. Anyone who can shed any light on this matter will confer a great favor on these heirs by telling A. W. Fletcher all they know of the case.

A lot of the school boys have been trying of late to kill some tame squirrels Mr. Frank P. Hawkins has about his place. Only a day or two ago they invaded his grounds, hurling stones in all directions trying to kill the little pets. We suggest to Mr. Hawkins that he have the marshal arrest some of them and put them in the lock-up for a week or so.

Gieser Brothers made their first sausage for the season Tuesday the 4th and sent us down a sample for Wednesday morning's breakfast and we shall sample it again. Take a bowl of oatmeal thouroughly cooked, home-made sausage, a dozen or so of buckwheat griddle cakes, plenty of maple syrup, a cup or two of Chase and Sanborn's Java,—what more is wanted for a good breakfast?

Paul Gieser having bought a lot on Second street 25x150 feet is looking around for a second hand cellar so he can start a first class house. We told him W. F. Edwards left one on lot 15 block 7 which could be bought cheap, but he is afraid Mr. Edwards is a democrat and he don't want any "16 to 1" business in his cellar. If any Republicans have such a cellar lying around loose, he might find a purchaser by calling on Mr. Gieser at the west side meat market.

The many friends of Mrs. Mary L. Bingham will be glad to know that she still holds her own, though a very sick woman. Her strong will is set for her own recovery and eminent physicians know that is often the greater half of the battle for life. Mrs. Leach and Mrs. Hibbard spent an hour with her Wednesday afternoon and found her better than they expected. She talked all the hour and enjoyed it, her mind is clear and strong as ever, her resolution fixed and she intends to visit her friends in the Park in the spring, if not before.

Mrs. Julia R. Leach left Wednesday for her winter home with Miss Leach in Burlington, Iowa. She spent one day in Chicago with her brother, thence to Marshaltown, Iowa, for a visit with her sister, Mrs. East over the holidays, when she goes to Burlington. She will be missed here till her return in April. Her house will be occupied by Mr. Robert Barrie of Detroit, one of the well known Philadelphia publishing house, whose specialties are fine, high-priced subscription books. Those we have seen are rare and elegent specimens of the book-makers art.

We call the attention of our taxpayers to the ordinance passed by the city council last Tuesday evening to bond the city for $10,000, for the two bridges named, and then the balance some $5,000 or $6,000 to be spent in grave ing certain streets on the west side. Is that legal, constitutional to make one portion of the city improve its streets by special assessments and then turn around and improve another part of the city by general taxation. It means in plain English that the east side taxpayers improve their own streets and then turn around and pay much the larger half for improving those on the west side. We simply want our tax-payers to think this over and decide what should be done.

It was an old custom with country papers to give a free copy to every advertiser. This is well enough on six month or yearly contracts, but for transient or a few weeks or a month or two it is wholly impracticable. In the first place we give our advertisers their money's worth in advertising, our rates are low because we want to induce all our business people to advertise. In the second place transient or short term advertising eats up all the profit in looking after it. Hence after the first of January 1901 the NEWS LETTER will give up this practice of a "free paper" to advertisers. No one expects the grocer or market man to "throw in" a can of fruit or a pound of steak to each patron every month, that is not business.

Here is another one on Dan Sheahen. He, with a lot of other Deerfield farmers, politicians, and etc. went over to Libertyville to the Lake County Agricultural Society's annual meeting, to see that this old town of Deerfield got its share of the official "plums." The roads were horrid except where they have been improved with "Hufda" gravel. On the drive home when in the mud to the hubs out beyond Peter Dawson's a prominent citizen (W. F. H.?) of Highwood called out to our knight of the milk can. "Say, Dan how is this for a road." "Oh this is all right" replied our jolly neighbor. Oh yes came the quick reply, "You are from Highland Park where they don't know what good roads are." "Nuf ced" whispered Dan to a friend and drove on in silence.

Mrs. Adams' Lecture.

In spite of the storm many people attended the lecture on Modern Dramatic Art, given by Mrs. Milward Adams, Thursday evening, at the Presbyterian church. A reception was held immediately after the lecture in the church parlors: giving those present an opportunity to become personally acquainted with Mrs. Adams.

Be sure you get the eight pages of the NEWS-LETTER this week.

Women's Club Meeting.

December 4th the Highland Park Women's Club had the honor of entertaining Mrs. Penoyer Sherman, of Chicago, who in an informal and charming manner considered women's financial position in the home.

The conclusion of which was that she has no such position in the printed record of woman's abilities.

Several gentlemen favored the club with their presence and courteous appreciation of the sentiments expressed.

The discussion was especially lively and suggestive.

Miss Humphrey rendered delightfully two selections of music, and Miss Thayer sang with sensitive expression several songs for children composed by the president, Mrs. Fessenden.

The spirit of childhood permeated the room to the delight of all and the ennoblement of womanly qualities.

The C. & N-W. Accident.

That accident of the Chicago and Northwestern power house in Chicago Monday evening, was a very serious affair. A big tubular boiler was carried through the walls of the building, through a parlor car and landed one hundred feet away on the tracks, resulting in the death of six persons, and serious injury to several more. No Highland Park or Waukegan passenger was injured.

No one seems to know how it happened, probably low water, but it reveals the deadly peril lurking in steam boilers, especially if at all carelessly handled. The building was practically wrecked, and "Vester Sykes Milwaukee express pulled out all right though the parlor car was smashed, but all later trains were blockaded for some hours. The loss of property was a score or two of thousands beside the half dozen or more lives.

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Mr. Anderson the singer and several others of our business men got caught in Chicago, Monday night by the collapse of a building which held back their trains. Mr. Anderson phoned out to his wife the situation and she phoned to the other men's families here in the Park so their dinners were not held back.

Miss Flossie Guthrie, of Chicago, spent part of last week with her aunt Mrs. William Tillman.

The Ossoli Club.

The Ossoli Club enjoyed a guest day on Friday, the 6th, when each member had the privilege of extending the hospitality of the club to a friend.

The large lecture room of the Highland Park Club House was filled to overflowing with the gathering guests being present from Chicago, Evanston, Fort Sheridan, Lake Forest and Waukegan as well as Highland Park.

Mrs. Annette R. Jones read a paper upon Tschaikowsky, sketching the man, his life, his appearance and his work in a most delightful way. The paper was followed by the magnificent Trio, for piano, violin and cello, written by Tschaikowsky after the death of his friend Rubenstein and dedicated to him. Mrs. Jones was assisted in this by Mr. Leon Mary and Mr. R. Ambrosius of the Thomas orchestra, who came from Chicago for that purpose and to whom the president of the Ossoli extended the hearty thanks of the club at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. H. C. Carver, the hostess, was assisted by Miss Turnley and Miss Prall who served tea in the library.

Any one contemplating buying watches, clocks, and jewelry, will do well to consult Levin, the jeweler. If you can't find what you want in stock he will order it for you, and save you about 40 per cent. 1-4

Pumpage Report.

Engineer Laing submitted a report for the station for the three months of August, September and October as well as a separate one for November. The first was substantially as follows in gallons pumped:

August, total pumpage	12,920,366
September, " "	9,505,387
October, " "	8,953,263
Total pumpage 3 months	31,379,016

The water was distributed as follows:

C. & N-W. Co	3,363,353
Fort Sheridan Village	4,010,301
Gray Electric Co	653,000
Exmoor Club	811,355
Moraine Hotel	770,776
Electric Light Co	748,000
Metered Consumers	1,000,000
All other Metered folks	10,142,290
Total gallons sold	21,518,034

Besides the water sold that was used for flushing sewers, dead ends, sprinkling streets, filling new mains, wetting down trenches, streets, etc., 5,822,765. Of the water pumped 77 per cent is revenue producing, and 23 per cent yields no revenue.

Our water system is getting to be quite an institution and yields a large revenue. But we must bear in mind that we sell bacteria and all, and hence are in the "adulterated water" business for all the money there is in it.

We have been informed that architect Ottenheimer, of Chicago, has plans and specifications for the buildings to be erected for Messrs. Leopold, Steele, Foreman and Schwab at Highland Park. Mr. Ottenheimer is desirous that the work will be done by home contractors.