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About 1,132 votes were cast Tuesday for county treasurer. As the election cost the county from \$1,200 to \$1,500, it makes the votes about one dollar each. That was a needless expense; the county board should have filled the vacancy and the law should be amended to that effect.

You are not posted in military affairs. Here are a few pointers as to the number of men required for a company, battalion and regiment, including officers: Company, 105; battalion, 400; regiment, 1,280. You can enlist in any branch of the service if you are all O. K. in body, mind and moral character.

Senator Cullom of the Moraine, who went down to Canton, Ohio, last week to see President McKinley, is back from his trip. He found our William well and happy and not in the least disturbed by "Teddie's" strenuous tour out west. Teddie is like a steam boiler, he has got to have vent, once in a while, for his pent-up-ness. Hence these little tours.

The state of Illinois has 1,588,895 persons between the ages of 6 and 21 years that is school children, of whom only 958,881 are in school attendance. Some are truants, others are "too big" to go to school and others are wage earners. It is an impressive thought that there is nearly three times as many children in schools in Illinois as the entire population of the state of Vermont. Truly Illinois is an Empire and an educated one too.

**WAUKEGAN'S METHOD.**

Waukegan's police service of the three months of May, June and July, reveal the following number of cases tried, fines collected, etc. Drunks, 53; disorderly, 8; drunk and disorderly, 23; assault and battery, 1; selling liquor without license, 1; selling liquor Sunday, 2; gambling, 4; violation of bicycle ordinance, 15; violation of dog ordinance, 2; total cases, 165; average per month, 55; fines imposed, \$647; fines collected, \$142; fines worked out, \$305. Now why not every justice of the peace, police judge, etc., report every month to our city clerk or marshal all these cases and have the matter reported to the city council and so to the public.

**CITY PRINTING.**

Waukegan is in ferment over the city printing. They called for bids and the Sun put them, the Gazette said it was the best paper, etc., and

when the vote came up four Democrats voted for the Gazette and three Republicans for the Sun, and so the case stands. The Sun says the cost per annum to the city would be as follows, to-wit:

The Gazette, \$300; the Sun, \$104; Gazette excess, \$212.

In Highland Park the printing was given to the News-Letter because it is a home paper, reaches all our people while the Waukegan papers whose bids were a little lower have a very limited circulation here. In Waukegan both are their home papers.

**Of all nature's extremes in the way of weather, the hot wave is doubtless the most costly. A wave.**

Weather bureau observer has estimated that the loss in Iowa alone occasioned by the hot wave of 1894 amounted to \$50,000,000, or nearly twice the property loss of the Galveston disaster. The estimate was based upon a comparison of the average value of the crops of Iowa with their reduced value that year, after they had experienced the blighting effects of extreme and protracted heat. The financial loss from hot waves is, besides, only one form of the misery they inflict, says Youth's Companion. Poor humanity must swelter under them from infancy to old age. Although the summer drought is naturally associated in thought with the hot wave, the two are quite distinct in their operations. Most crops, when affected by drought alone, will rapidly revive if favorable weather comes within a reasonable time, but if their vitality has been baked out by excessive heat no amount of moisture can restore it. Corn and cotton, at critical stages in their development, are perhaps the greatest sufferers, although both crops ordinarily need a rather high temperature. Extremes of cold usually come at a time when man has intrusted little of value to the banking house of nature. Delicate shrubs and trees may suffer, as do the Florida oranges, from an unseasonable frost, but the great staples of agriculture are, as a rule, unaffected. Moreover, man is better able to keep himself in comfort against the extremes of winter than against those of summer.

**The modern maid may think the world in general has outgrown all use of men. Yet it seems there are Handy.**

times when a man is a very handy thing to have around. One of these times is specified by the Atlantic City correspondent of the Philadelphia Press: "And as one young woman said, she threw herself breathless on the sand: 'The only place where the modern maid really feels the want and need of a man is in the surf. That's where his brute strength comes in handy—where he can protect, hold and guard the poor, weak, breaker-battered woman. On shore we don't need him any more—we've outgrown that dependence—we get along very nicely without him. But in the surf it's different. There we don't hold him as the lord of creation, the first-born, the swayer of destinies. We know that in the world we've measured wits with him and haven't always come out second best. In arts and in science we have worked to a place by his side, and we treat him just about as he deserves. But in the surf—well, we've got to hold on to him. We may paint better pictures than he, write better books, play better music—but in the surf strength towers above mentality. It's a case of letting—or let the waves batter you to bits, duck you, roll you, get your hair wet. And so, while still holding that I'm man's superior on shore, I'll give him credit for being a strong brute in the surf—and worthy of being cultivated for that reason. Come on—let's go in the water again.'"

The following advertisement appeared in a recent issue of a Chicago paper: "Wanted—A girl for general housework; union of nonunion; any old kind; family of three adults and three children with house, and occupy small house at Sheridan Park, two blocks from Northwestern elevated; nice, large, airy room with southwest breeze, for girl, no washing or much of anything else to do; our girl quit yesterday because we invited some relatives to help us celebrate the Fourth; next Fourth, if the girl demands it, we will disown our relatives and renounce our country. Wages five dollars." Bring your job opening to the NEWS-LETTER office.

One of the paradoxes of waste is that the persons most addicted to it are not men and women of independent means, who can support themselves in spite of their extravagant expenditure, but the poorer classes. There is hardly an able-bodied laborer who might not become financially independent, if he would but carefully husband his receipts and guard against the little leaks of needless expense, says Prof. William Mathews, in Success. But, unfortunately, this is the one thing which the workingman finds it the hardest to do. There are a hundred laborers who are willing to work hard, to every half dozen who are willing properly to husband their earnings. Instead of hoarding a small percentage of their receipts, so as to provide against sickness or want of employment, they eat and drink up their earnings as they go, and thus, in the first financial crash, when mills and factories "shut down," and capitalists lock up their cash instead of using it in great enterprises, they are ruined. Men who thus live "from hand to mouth," never keeping more than a day's march ahead of actual want, are little better off than slaves.

One of the clerks in the Philadelphia post office found in a bundle of mail, Very Slow Mail on a recent morning, a postal card which had been sent from Morrisville, Pa., on February 11, 1873. Morrisville is a little more than 23 miles from Philadelphia, so the clerk announced that the postal had made about a mile a year on its way and had therefore broken all records in slow transit. No one knows where the card had been during the many years, but it is not believed that it has been outside of Pennsylvania, and from its appearance it does not seem to have been shelved. The clerk said it looked as though it had been undergoing many exciting experiences during its travels. The postal card was addressed to Charles B. Horner, a nurseryman of Mount Holly, N. J. It was sent by the Glenwood nurseries, of Morrisville. A clerk accidentally read the card. He says it said: "Please come over and see us as soon as possible."

Three ships at New York are now used as sea hotels. Each evening they put out to sea and are back at the wharf at 6:30 a. m. The charge is \$1, with an additional 50 cents for a table d'hote breakfast. Bunks line the upper deck, which is protected by a watertight awning. During the day the bunks are converted into seats. On the main deck there is a handsome apartment for women and a smoking room for men. A tug tows the ships to sea and back. State-rooms with bathing facilities are provided for those who want them. This novel fleet has been organized by Mr. John Arbuckle, who will devote the profits to charity. The Saturday evening boats remain at sea until Monday morning. In case a passenger is disorderly he is taken to the tug and confined.

Assistant Secretary of State Adee, who is very deaf, has a unique device for appraising him of the intrusion of a visitor. He has a teapot slung over the back of his chair by a string, the end of which is tied to the doorknob. When a visitor enters, the door, swinging open, raises the teapot to a level with the assistant secretary's head. As the visitor advances, the door, closing, lets the teapot swing down till it touches the floor with a crash. The visitor, usually gives a leap of surprise and fear, and the assistant secretary state, apprised by the crash, looks up with a glad smile, extends his hand, and says to the unnerved visitor: "What can I do for you?"

Texas is becoming very gay. State Geologist Dumble has disclosed to the people of that state sources of mineral wealth that are astounding. He says that in one county alone, that of Cherokee, there are 60,000,000 tons of rich iron ore in sight, and that in east Texas, as a whole, there are 3,000,000,000 tons. And by the side of this ore lies all the coal necessary to work the ore into shape. The geologist makes the flat statement that "no country in the world has cheaper material for something iron than east Texas."

**The Uganda Railway.**

The Uganda railway is laid as far as mile 489. The line will be laid to the Victoria Nyanza by November next.

**Allopath and Homeopath Together.** About a dozen hospitals in Massachusetts have both allopathic and homeopathic physicians on the staff.

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