

Niagara Falls Excursion.

The publishing fraternity of Chicago, under the auspices of the Chicago and Suburban Publishers Association will make a trip to Niagara Falls this summer. The Wabash Railroad has granted special rates; Tickets for the trip, including a special train, with the best of service are sold for \$12. A trip to Toronto, Can., on the river is also on the program. The trip will be made under the directions of a competent guide, who is thoroughly familiar with the great Falls, and special rates on the George Railroad, the steamers and other conveyances, as well as the hotels at Buffalo and the Falls have been secured. The train will leave Chicago at midnight on Friday the 12th of July and returning will arrive in Chicago Tuesday morning, July 16th. Everybody who desires to make the trip is welcome. Tickets and complete information can be obtained from Theo. A. Kolb, Sec.; 741-743 Unity building, Chicago. Tel. Central 534.

Illinois Music Teacher' Association.

Arrangements are now complete for the convention of the Illinois Musical Teachers' Association in Moline, June 4-7. No other city in the state where the convention has been held has exhibited such enterprise and raised so much money—some \$3,000—as the famous manufacturing city of Moline. It is certainly an event for this Music Teachers' Association, or that of any other State, to secure the famous Thomas orchestra, with its successful conductor, Frederick A. Stock. Crowded audiences in the Opera House are assured. Railroads throughout Illinois have made the usual reduction. The solo talent that will appear at recitals and concerts is of the highest order. Particulars can be obtained of Miss Mary Lindsay Oliver, New Chase Block, Moline, or from the Secretary, Dr. H. S. Perkins, 36 Van Buren street, Chicago.

The War of the Roses has broken out again. Lovely woman has assumed the rose as the sword and buckler for her summer conquest.

The girl who aims always for the original touch in her hats and gowns will like one of the new ways of arranging roses on a quaint little poke hat. The imported hat which showed this new trimming idea was a rough corn-colored straw. Its scarcity of trimming was one of its features. The shape was a very fetching poke. Soft pink ribbons were looped about it back and front, with the loops intertwined. Where the hat drooped over the ear at the left side, the loops of ribbon held a bunch of exquisite pink roses and soft green foliage. The flowers had the effect of just falling off the hat and being caught in place by the ribbon loop. Certainly this little imported model introduces a very new and very charming effect.—*Grace Margaret Gould in June Woman's Home Companion.*

THUNDERS OF OLD LONDON

The Most Famous Storm of the Last Century Was in 1846.

The most notable thunderstorms on record in London have generally occurred in the month of August. That which made the greatest impression on contemporary observers during the nineteenth century happened on the 1st of the month as long ago as the year 1846, and remarkable accounts of its ravages may be found in the journals of the day. A thunderstorm is not a good subject for a picture, but there appeared in one of the illustrated papers a view of "London during the storm—from Blackheath," which, whether a work of pure imagination or actually drawn from nature, was exceedingly realistic and impressive. The special feature of the storm was the hail with which it was accompanied, though the thermometer stood at 93 degrees in the shade. The panes of glass which were broken by the icy shower were to be counted by hundreds of millions, and so great was the damage inflicted upon the florists and nurserymen that a month or two afterward a charity rite was held at the Old Surrey zoological gardens for their relief. It is impossible, we are told, to imagine the aspect which the windows in London streets presented before the glaziers, whose services were for a long time at a premium, had repaired the destruction. It is a fact, indeed, anomalous though it appears, that historic hailstorms have usually coincided with periods of great heat, and, whatever may be the precise relations of heat and electricity, a heavy fall of hail is seldom noted except as the adjunct of a thunderstorm.—*London Globe.*

BAD SLEEPING HABITS.

Snoring, Grinding the Teeth and Nasal Whistling.

Man is the victim of bad habits in his sleep as well as in his waking hours. So distressing are some of these bad habits of sleep that they oblige wife and husband to occupy separate rooms, even at times causing divorce.

Snoring is of course the commonest if not the worst of sleep's bad habits. Snoring may be remedied. There are a dozen patented devices that, holding the mouth shut tight, prevent the snore.

Grinding the teeth is a disagreeable habit of sleep. It is impossible to sleep in the same room with any one who emits at irregular intervals this hideous sound. The trick is said to be incurable, but a rubber cap worn on the teeth renders the grinding almost noiseless.

Nervous persons sometimes leap in their sleep a foot or more in the air, shaking the bed and the whole room. The man who gives eight or nine of these leaps in the course of the night soon becomes an intolerable bedfellow. Nerve tonics and exercise should be prescribed for him.

Nasal whistling is a habit less easy to cure than snoring. The sleeper keeps his mouth closed, but breathes with a distressing sound through his nose. The sound resembles a low whistle and, heard in the small hours, is guaranteed to madden.

The architects of most air castles occupy garret apartments.—*New Orleans Picayune.*

Youthful Impressionism.

"One of the lads in my Sunday school class," writes a correspondent, "had been to a musical service and had heard there a violin solo in which a number of the notes were played with finger instead of the bow—pizzicato, I think, is the musical term. The boy described it as 'a piece with a hic-cough in it.'"—*Manchester Guardian.*

Rural Excitement.

"Was there much life in the country town from which you came?" "Well, I guess! You ought to have seen the gatherings in our cemetery of a Sunday."—*Harper's Bazar.*

Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park, Ill.

NOTICE OF AWARDING CONTRACT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, To all persons interested, that the bids for the construction of a cast iron lateral main water supply pipe, together with fire hydrants, shut off valves and special castings to be laid along and under the Green Bay Road, from and connecting with the southerly terminus of the present water main now laid in the Green Bay Road, at a point in said roadway about twelve (12) feet easterly from the center line thereof and three hundred fifty (350) feet southerly from the south line of the north ½ of the north-west ¼ of the southeast ¼ of section 26, Township 43, north range 12, thence southerly along said Green Bay Road on a line parallel with and twelve (12) feet easterly from the center line of said Green Bay Road, said distance being measured on a line at right angles to said center line for a distance of 1,230 feet, were opened on the 31st day of May A. D. 1907, and Frank Laing being the lowest responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to said Frank Laing on the 31st day of May, A. D. 1907. Said bid is for work as a whole and is as follows:

Quantity (approximated)	AMOUNT
21 Tons of 6 inch water pipe. Price per ton \$40.40	\$848.40
2 pieces 4 inch water pipe each 12 feet...	5.70 11.40
2 Fire Hydrants	29.40 58.80
2 4 inch valves	8.00 16.00
2 4 inch valve boxes...	4.00 8.00
Special castings @ 3½ cents per pound.....	
Cartage	23.00
Lead	74.00
Gasket.....	3.00 100.00
Labor.....	370.60
Total.....	\$1,412.60

The owners of a majority of the frontage of the lots and lands upon said Green Bay Road wherein said work is to be done may, within ten days from the date hereof, elect to take said work and enter into a written contract to do said work at ten per centum less than the price at which the same has been awarded.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, To all persons interested, that the bids for the construction of a cast iron lateral main water supply pipe, together with fire hydrants, shut-off valves and special castings to be laid along and under Moraine Road and Montgomery Avenue in said city, commencing at and connecting with the water main now laid in said Moraine Road at a point about 400 feet westerly from the westerly line of Sheridan Road, and twelve feet north of the center line of Moraine Road (said point being the westerly terminus of the water main now laid in said Moraine Road) thence westerly on a line parallel with and twelve feet northerly from the center line of said Moraine Road (said distance of twelve feet being measured at right angles to said center line) to and connecting with the water main now laid in St. Johns Avenue. Said water main to be laid in Montgomery Avenue shall connect with the water main herein provided for to be built in Moraine Road, at a point in said main which would be intersected by a line drawn parallel with and ten feet easterly of the center line of Montgomery Avenue produced north in its course across said Moraine Road, thence south on a line parallel with and ten feet easterly of said center line and said center line produced of said Montgomery Avenue to a point in said line 25 feet north of the southerly terminus of said Montgomery Avenue, were opened on the 31st day of May A. D. 1907, and Frank Laing being the lowest responsible bidder, the contract was awarded to said Frank Laing on the 31st day of May A. D. 1907. Said bid is for the work as a whole and is as follows:

Quantity (approximated)	AMOUNT
16 Tons of 4-inch water pipe. Price per ton. \$41.40	\$662.40
3 Fire Hydrants, each	29.40 88.20
5 4-inch valves, " 8 00	40.00
5 4-inch valve boxes.....	4.00 20.00
800 pounds special castings 3½ cents per pound.....	28.00
Gasket.....	3.00
Pig lead.....	49.00
Cartage.....	18 00 70.00
Labor.....	375.00
Total.....	\$1,283.60

The owners of a majority of the frontage of the lots and lands upon said Moraine Road and Montgomery Avenue wherein said work is to be done may, within ten days from the date hereof, elect to take said work and enter into a written contract to do said work at ten per centum less than the price at which the same has been awarded.

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Be One of the Doers.
"De man dat keeps findin' fault," said Uncle Eben, "mustn't expect to git no mo' credit dan Columbus an' dem other fellers dat made sho' nuff useful discoveries."