

OUR PRESENT JURY SYSTEM

Attorney L. H. Bennett's Masterly Address at Y. M. C. A. Last Sunday Afternoon.

The Young Men's Christian Association rooms were well filled last Sunday afternoon. Louis H. Bennett speaks on the faults of the modern jury system as it applies to criminal cases particularly, and as usual pleased his audience. The young men who failed to attend missed a treat. Rev. F. N. Lapham will be the speaker for next Sunday.

L. H. Bennett's Speech. We are aware that the only manner by which this system may be abolished is by an amendment of the constitution. Had it better be done?

The origin of the trial by jury may be traced back to all of the feudal countries, as England, Germany, France, and Italy, and in discussing this mode of trial in his columns, writes Blackstone, the first law compiler. "It is a trial that hath been used time out of mind in this nation (England)." Authors in tracing this mode of trial have found it in use among the Saxons, the institution being credited to Woden, who was the greatest legislator of the Saxons.

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FOR SALE—Two residences on Grove avenue, property of Mrs. Flora Link. Inquire of FRED LINES, Act., Barrington. 2w

FOR SALE—Gold watch pin, diamond setting; a bargain, good as new, at Abbott's drug store. A beautiful present for a lady.

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PORTER SCHOOL REORGANIZED

Christmas Exercises to Be Held This Evening.

The following program will be rendered at the Porter school house this (Friday evening) at 8 o'clock. A Santa Claus will be one of the features. All citizens are most cordially invited to attend. Song, "When Days Are Short"; School; Recitation—Milan Gies; Recitation—Lillian Meyer; Recitation—Alfred Olsen; Recitation—Mildred Peterson; Recitation—Olga Olsen; Song—Mr. and Mrs. Weigel; Dialogue, "The Glug Family"—By School; Song by the Little Folks; Recitation—Alma Klein; Recitation—Ed Wolthausen; Dialogue, "Cox and Box"—Ed Wolthausen, Geo. French, Ella Klein; Song, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas"—School; (ENTER SANTA CLAUS.) Distribution of presents.

Something New in Gifts. We have arranged to install tele-phones on Christmas day as gifts. In these anything more useful to your friends, relatives, or a married son or daughter? Just what they need. Appreciated all the year round. Ask your manager about it.

PALATINE LOCAL JOTTINGS

Gathered and Compiled by a Special Correspondent.

Sam Nordmeier attended the fat stock show Wednesday. The churches held their Christmas exercises Saturday night. Mrs. H. C. Matthei and Mrs. George were Chicago visitors Tuesday. Mrs. Paul Kuebler was in Des Plaines Thursday last week. Willie Williams is ill at his home. We are glad to report he is better. There are a few cases of diphtheria in town. The doctors have it under control. Miss Dymond of Normal Park visited this week at the Patten and Hicks homes. Miss Ethel M. Sten spent Sunday last week at the home of Mrs. Emily Wilson. The public school is planning for a Christmas program in two or three of the rooms. There will be no school next week. Some of the county schools will also enjoy a vacation. Miss Mildred Hicks visited her cousins, the Misses Dymond, at Normal Park Sunday. The box or which was held recently was a great success. The ladies cleared a net of \$200. Mrs. M. R. Yonk attended the funeral of her cousin, Merrill French, at Arlington Heights Wednesday. Mrs. Frank Wilson is very ill at the Cook County Hospital. Her recovery, we understand, is very doubtful. Elmer Robertson of Carlisle, Ark., is visiting here. He joins Mrs. Robertson here to spend the holidays. Charles Padlock is unable to be at his post of duty for a few days on account of some trouble with his eyes. Geo. Amferman lost a valuable horse last week. There seems to be quite an epidemic of sickness among horses. Fred Nolting and Miss Emma Engleking were married Wednesday last week and then started for a trip out west. Misses Della Knigge, Hattie Kuebler and Alma Hekman attended the dance at Arlington Heights last Saturday night. Several of our people were shocked by the news of the Walsh bank failure, as "their all" was with them, but they have been assured that they will not lose a cent. Mrs. Bertha Krop won the damages suit in Waukegan the first of the week against Fred Krop, Sr. She was fully defended by our raising young lawyer, Ralph C. Peck.

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THE BIG STORE

As now is the time to purchase the holiday goods, I wish to inform you that we now have on display the

Largest Stock of HOLIDAY GOODS

ever shown in this vicinity. A full assortment of TOYS, all kinds, 5 cents to \$1.00; DOLLS, 5 cents to \$3.50; DOLL CARRIAGES, 25 cents to \$2.00. GO. CARTS, WAGONS, SLEIGHS, - 25 cents to \$1.50

Rocking Horses, Shoflys, Chairs, Tables, Rockers for children, Fancy Goods, Albums, Manicuring Sets, Toilet Sets, Handkerchief Boxes, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Glove Boxes, Sewing Boxes, Shaving Sets, Smoking Sets, Pocketbooks, Jewelry, Rings, Stick Pins, Cuff Buttons, Watch Chains, Watches and Clocks, Silverware, Knives and Forks; a full line of Spoons, all kinds; Sugar Shells, Butter Knives, Napkin Rings, Mugs, and a full line of Plated Silver Novelties. A large line of Umbrellas, Fancy Slippers, Belts, Handkerchiefs 1 cent to 50 cents; Mufflers, Gloves and Mittens, Neckties, Suspenders, Ladies' Furs, Perfumery, Fancy Knit Shawls, Sweaters for boys, men, ladies and children, all sizes. Full line of Fancy Crockery, Lamps, Plates, Cups and Saucers, Vases, Fancy Dishes 5 cents to \$2.50. Rugs, Carpet Sweepers, Blankets, Bed Spreads, Table Linens, Towels, Napkins.

Full line of Toy Books; also other Books, Pictures, etc. 1,000 pounds CHOICE CANDY 10 cents per pound up. Nuts of all kinds.

DO NOT FORGET THAT WE ARE HEADQUARTERS TO FURNISH YOUR TABLE WITH GROCERIES. PRICES ALWAYS THE LOWEST.

A. W. MEYER

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about the middle of January. "Watch for the bills."

Wm. Nolting and his bride returned Saturday night. They were surprised Monday night by a party of their friends, who gathered to give them a happy start on their life journey.

The L. O. F. are repairing their hall. It is to receive a new carpet and new wall paper. The building has been raised on a nice basement put under it. The schools in the country about Palatine held Christmas exercises Thursday night and Friday afternoon. Misses Scott of Highland Grove school and Arps of the Plum Grove school held exercises Thursday night; Misses Gainer, Padlock and Taylor had them Friday afternoon.

OBITUARY. Mrs. Jeanette Hrey-Wilson was born in Canada in 1855, came to Arlington Heights in 1888, married to Frank E. Wilson in 1883, and resided some time later to Palatine. Mr. Wilson died in 1889. She made her home in Palatine until about six years ago, when she moved to Ravenswood, from where her remains were brought last Sunday for burial in Hillside cemetery. Services were held in the M. E. church, Rev. Young officiating. Court of Honor attended the funeral in a body, she being a charter member of Columbia District Court No. 402. The deceased leaves two brothers and two sisters to mourn her departure.

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HELD ENJOYABLE MEETING

Woman's Club Entertained at the Home of Miss Margaret Lamey.

A Christmas program was given Tuesday afternoon by the Women's Club at the residence of Miss Margaret Lamey. A fine program of music was given by Miss Elmore Arps, Misses VanHorn and Deane of Palatine and Mrs. Welch. A paper on Christmas was read by Mrs. F. N. Lapham and several readings pertaining to Christmas given by the members of the club. At the conclusion of the program refreshments were served by the hostess and each guest received a pretty souvenir from a Christmas tree. The visitors were tastefully decorated in holly, evergreens and Christmas bells and a number of the children of the club were present, which made the occasion somewhat of a children's day. The meeting next week will be under the direction of the educational and domestic science department, and will be held at the residence of Mrs. D. H. Richardson. A lecture on "Practical Home Nursing" will be given by Dr. Richardson, and it is expected that special numbers of music will be furnished by Miss Florence Chase of the Chicago Musical College.

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