

Georgia is giving a fine demonstration of how to be happy though thirsty.

We must not let the president know that colleges act as a deterrent to marriage or he may abolish higher education.

The Indianapolis News says an electrical plant has been discovered in Nicaragua. Was it trying to steal water power?

Reports from Germany of an airship that is expected to carry not less than 100 people sounds as if aerial transportation were nearing the strapping stage.

When cold logic shall have put the blame for our ills and misfortunes back on our tables we shall still possess, thank heaven, an unshakable privilege of cusins' the climate.

A Massachusetts man who died recently left to Clark university \$4,000 to be used in hunting for ghosts. Any one who knows of a ghost that ought to be hunted will confer a favor by notifying Clark university.

Mutal Hadd, in taking up his duties as sultan of Morocco, promises to ignore the provisions of the Algeiras convention. One or two European powers will be likely to await with a several degree under the freezing point the results of the ignoring he may do.

In London message by the blind is an accepted and successful profession. Some doctors will employ no others in Japan, until recently, none except the blind were allowed to manage, and in Yokohama alone it is stated that out of 1,000 masseurs earning a livelihood 900 are blind.

A California architect sees 100-story buildings ahead. When a man takes the elevator for the first time he will bid his friends goodbye as if he were going to Europe. He will have to take his lunch along unless the elevators are equipped with private diners.

A man in New York was sentenced to jail and to pay a heavy fine for contempt of court. All are not so prudent as the famous Irish lawyer who, when accused by an angry judge of contempt of court, replied that he had expressed none—on the contrary, he had carefully concealed his feelings.

Presidential elections in Switzerland are not exciting. The federal assembly met the other day and elected Ernest Brunner to the presidency for the current year, not much as a preliminary torchlight procession or even a discussion of the importance of publicity in the matter of campaign funds.

A poor woman in New York, whose clothes accidentally caught fire, was thought of the danger to her little children, and even as she herself was a living torch and in dire agony, she pushed them away and locked the door to the room, that they might not share her fate. And yet the Carnegie commission finds it hard to discover heroes.

Before investing in that gold mine at five cents a share, guaranteed to go to \$1.10 before the first of next month—before biting off a chunk of this good thing wait until Prof. McCoy has made a few more experiments. He thinks he is about to transmit the metals one into another, which will be well by a pile of scrap iron and wait.

Lhasa, formerly the mysterious forbidden city, will, if report be true, be joined to the rest of the world by telegraph, and there to be a Tibetan newspaper. There will be no celestial calm for a people who must learn to put a telegraph message into ten words, and must read in the morning paper that there has been a terrible fire in Chen Lung's barn at East Hiankow.

Women watch the advertising columns because upon them devolves the necessity of spending the family income to the best advantage—which commonly means making one dollar do the work of two. It is not love of shopping but the need of practicing economy that keeps them on the look out for bargains. Still, it is not love of nature to pass a bargain by whether it is necessary to count the pennies or not.

The records of Yale vindicate the simple life by showing that the rich students are the poor scholars. The amount of scholarship declines in proportion to the sum of luxury. There is no getting over the stern natural law that only a favored few are gifted with the character which is best developed by prosperity. College students, emphatically, are not the Baltimore American, do not alter the tradition that it is the poor boy, working his way, who has had the most influence in shaping the destinies of the nation.

The name of John Hermal of Fowler, who, to save the family honor, has turned over the assets of the estate to the holders of notes on which his forged signature, as surety, was placed by a rascally son, is deserving of respectful mention. It is only when so much that is dishonorable is told of men, says the Indianapolis Star, Mr. Hermal's course is something more than one of common honesty. The law did not compel him to make this payment, but his own fine sense of rectitude and personal responsibility did.

BLIZZARD IN WEST

HEAVY SNOWFALL IS ACCOMPANIED BY HIGH WINDS.

TRAFFIC BADLY HAMPERED

Schools at Hannibal, Mo., Are Closed—Great Distress Caused by Flood in Southern Indiana.

Chicago.—Chicago and the surrounding country are buried deep under snow that fell all day Tuesday and all night and that was blown into great drifts by a howling gale.

Fortunately the snow here was dry, as the temperature fell, and the street car companies were able to keep their cars moving, though slowly. All railway trains were late in arriving, and conditions as affecting them grew worse throughout the night.

Joliet, Ill.—A blizzard here Tuesday interfered with street traffic and business houses began closing at four o'clock in the afternoon. Snow fell all day, accompanied by a high wind. Street car traffic was crippled.

Rockford, Ill.—The worst blizzard of years swept over this city Tuesday. Nearly 12 inches of snow fell and drifted so rapidly that street car traffic was all but tied up, while the steam roads experienced great difficulty in moving trains. The mercury stood several degrees under the freezing point.

Omaha, Neb.—Following a continuous fall of snow for 22 hours, accompanied by a high wind, street car traffic was all but tied up, while the steam roads experienced great difficulty in moving trains. The mercury stood several degrees under the freezing point.

Hannibal, Mo.—By order of J. M. Beck, president of the school board, the public schools were closed here Tuesday because of the terrific snowstorm that began Monday night and raged all day.

Hudson, Ind.—Hundreds of food-stricken families camped in the streets in the Wabash, White and Paconia river bottoms are enduring day a biting wind, accompanied by hard and rain, made it impossible for them to use boats.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—It has developed that R. Fred Anderson, who served several days ago committed suicide at Cobalt, Ont., in the sandstone building which he was cashier, was the absconding treasurer of Jennings town, Missaukee county, Michigan. He left a woman in charge of his books and an examination of his books revealed a shortage of \$900. He also took with him \$1,900 which belonged to a woman in charge of his books and was also postmaster at Jennings.

Cincinnati.—With the breaking of the world's record for individual bowling by A. Wengler of Chicago, who bowled 599 points in his singles, all American Bowlers' association and Canadian Bowlers' association records have been broken at the present time.

The Tossettis of Chicago, who made \$285 every week at Keating's records, who bowled 1,254 in the two men events, also broke all records.

Illinois State News

Recent Happenings of Interest in the Various Cities and Towns.

\$250,000 FOR KNOX COLLEGE.

Trustees Have Undertaken Task with Indications of Success. Galesburg.—Great enthusiasm was aroused at the banquet commemorating the seventy-first anniversary of the founding of Knox college by the following announcement by President Thomas McClelland: "The trustees of Knox college have undertaken to raise \$250,000 for the further endowment and equipment of the institution. Toward this sum the general education board of New York has promised \$50,000 and Andrew Carnegie another \$50,000, provided that the remaining \$150,000 is secured within one year from February 15, 1908. Another philanthropist, whose name is withheld for the present, has promised a large contribution toward this contingent sum, and the president and trustees are entering upon the task set them with great assurances that it will be accomplished within the specified time. Of the aggregate sum raised \$50,000 will be used for the erection of a science hall, and the balance, after paying any outstanding indebtedness which may exist at the end of the campaign, will be added to the permanent endowment of the institution."

COMMITTS SUICIDE IN ASYLUM.

Insane Patient at Elgin Cuts Throat with Window Glass. Elgin.—Frank Slocum, an inmate from Woodstock, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a piece of window glass at the Northern Illinois insane hospital the other morning. After investigating the case and listening to the testimony of doctors and attendants, a coroner's jury found that the man had died by his own hand while in a despondent mood. With a small piece of metal, an attachment to a key, he picked up a pane of the room, Slocum smashed a pane of glass. He then used the glass as a saw and cut his throat.

Shortage Partly Made Up.

Paxton.—A. S. Sims of Paxton, an expert accountant, who has been examining the books of the Paxton Building and Loan association, reported a shortage of \$37,900 in the books of C. H. Langford, ex-secretary, who was sentenced to resign by the trustees on December 10. Langford turned over \$27,500 in property to the trustees, and this amount was accepted by the stockholders.

Loose Voice from Jar.

Peoria.—Mrs. Fredericka Jar, living near Peoria, had entirely lost the use of her voice as the result of a nervous shock, following the explosion which recently destroyed the Phoenix power mills in St. Clair county. She thought that the shock was an earthquake.

Indict Two for Robberies.

Havana.—Oscar Ide of Matto has been indicted by the Mason county grand jury on three counts of burglary and larceny. A true bill of robbery was found against John Calloway of this city, who had a mania for carrying off property from public buildings.

Sect Influences Vote.

Mount Vernon.—On account of the special election for congressman in the Twenty-fifth district being set for Saturday the Seventh Day Adventists indignantly refused to take any part in the election, and the outcome was affected, as they had a strong following.

Factory and Employes War.

Kewanee.—The National Tube works and its employes are at daggers over a proposed cut of 40 per cent in the wages of the men. Unless the company accepts the reduction the company threatens to remove the factory from the city.

Open on Sunday; Fined.

Carlyle.—Members of the Woman's Christian Temperance union of Carlyle kept the saloonkeepers busy in court, five pleading guilty to charge of keeping open on Sunday. Fines and costs amounting to \$266.

Town Hunts Body All Night.

Belvidere.—Earl Kramer, the seven-year-old son of George Kramer, was drowned here in the river where cutters were working. The mayor, police and citizens hunted all one night.

Morrisville.—The Baptist church of this place probably will extend a call to Rev. Mr. Roads of Medora.

THOUSAND MINERS STRIKE.

Price of Powder Causes Trouble in Illinois Coal Fields. DuQuoin.—After a stormy meeting of the miners and operators, 1,000 miners went on strike here Tuesday. The trouble originated over the price of powder which the operators have been selling to the miners. No agreement could be reached at the meeting, attended by the President Walker of the miners' union, State Board member Lawrence of Herrin, and District Vice President Dillon of Murphysboro. At the conference S. B. Eaton represented the Cramer-Clinch interests, Herman Just of Chicago and C. E. Cahill, commissioner of the Illinois Coal Operators' association, were present. The Illinois and Davis mines, two of the largest in the local field, will temporarily suspend.

URGES MORE STUDY OF SOIL.

Dean Davenport Tells Farmers of Needs of the State. Peoria.—In a paper read before 1,500 delegates to the Illinois Farmers' Institute Dean Eugene Davenport of the State University College of Agriculture urged the fact that Illinois is forced to spend millions of dollars to defend its arms and navy, when it devotes but a few paltry thousands to the study of its soil and development of its local interests. Judge Otis Humphrey urged Illinois farmers to adopt alfalfa as a regular crop, but this met general disapproval.

Youth Takes Own Life.

Hillsboro.—Solomon Carlock, the 13-year-old son of Gilliam Carlock, a farmer living ten miles east of Hillsboro, died by hanging. The boy snuffed his own life, when he devotes but a few paltry thousands to the study of its soil and development of its local interests. Judge Otis Humphrey urged Illinois farmers to adopt alfalfa as a regular crop, but this met general disapproval.

Gets Fourteen Years for Murder.

Benton.—George Adams, formerly city marshal of Benton, has been sentenced to 14 years in the penitentiary for the killing of John Malone last October. Malone, it is said, had been drinking and threatened Adams' life. Adams pleaded self-defense, and it was generally expected that he would be acquitted.

Found Frozen Stiff.

Peoria. Linton, the half-clad body of James Cullen, 40 years old, was discovered in a wheat field 40 rods from the country almshouse. While in the throes of delirium Cullen, who had been discharged from the hospital clad only in his underclothes.

Saves Life of Roommate.

East St. Louis.—Kate Reynolds tried to end her life by taking poison. The woman was prevented from doing so by one of her roommates, Miss City Smedley, who struggled with the desperate girl and prevented her from getting more than a small part of the acid.

Fuel Company Head is Free.

Edwardsville.—A jury in the circuit court, after a two-day deliberation, acquitted Charles O. Fowler of a charge of having embezzled \$7,483.30 from the Fowler Fuel company of Alton. Mr. Fowler was president and treasurer of the company.

Farm Hand Kills Self.

Virginia.—Zim French, aged 34 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. David French, residing in Sangamon Valley, ended his life by taking poison.

Brakeman Killed by Train.

Freeport.—I. T. Colman, an Illinois Central brakeman, fell under a moving train near here and was ground to death.

Does Switching; Killed.

Savannah.—August Woodill, a section man on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, was killed while switching cars.

Sixty Converts Are Baptized.

Peoria.—Sixty persons, converted during the First Baptist church revival, were baptized at the church.

Chicago Directory

"THE GREAT CENTRAL MARKET"

Income afforded by the five-year securities of the UNITED GAS & ELECTRIC CO. Denominations \$100, \$500 and \$1,000. Single bonds sold at interest paid every six months at Chicago Bank.

TROWBRIDGE & NIVER CO. MUNICIPAL BONDS. First National Bank Bldg., Chicago, Ill. Fill out and return this coupon today.

TROWBRIDGE & NIVER CO. First National Bank Bldg., Chicago, Ill. Fill out and return this coupon today.

TO YIELD 8% The 5 year, 6 per cent convertible gold coupon notes of the El Paso Electric Company.

STONE & WEBSTER 604 First National Bank Building CHICAGO, ILL. MAKE THE BANK YOUR HEADQUARTERS IN CHICAGO.

MAKE THE BANK YOUR HEADQUARTERS IN CHICAGO. We have a few thousand shares of the Western Colorado Mining Co. for sale.

Can You Sell Land? We have a few thousand acres of land in the State of Colorado for sale.

Swift's Premium Calendar 1908. Three large panels, each 14x17 1/2 in. lithographed fac-similes of the original paintings, works of art that will beautify and adorn any home.

THE SOFT ANSWER. Gettrude, aged four, had been to the matinee. Later she tried to gettrude the play to a grown-up friend.

THEIR DEGREES OF HAPPINESS. Marital Relations of Rural Postmasters Not All Serene. The chief clerk of the post office department at Washington recently sent to all the postmasters in the country a list of questions asking for certain information, says the New York Sun.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

As He Understood it. A youngster who has been living with his grandmother in Watry, N. J., was brought to the city for a visit a short time ago, and while here was taken to the theater for the first time in his life.

Important to You Why not stop at the Hyde Park Hotel when in Chicago? The Hyde Park Hotel is the most comfortable and best located hotel in the city.

TEXAS GULF COAST LANDS. In good location, 12,000 acres of land, well watered, suitable for raising cotton, corn, etc.

D. M. Bell & Co., Brokers. 600 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill. Stocks, Grain, Provisions.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.

GET MONEY QUICK! By selling your property, real estate, or other assets.

FREE—42 PIECE Program Dinner Set. This set of 42 pieces of dinnerware is a real treasure.