

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

THIRTEENTH YEAR.

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NUMBER 14.

HOME HAPPENINGS

Additional local news on fifth page. Blue and brown denim best quality at Nash Bros.

Sheriff Hoy was a caller in the village last Friday.

Creamery butter 25c; fresh eggs 14c, at Bateman & Palmer's.

F. B. Born was in Northern Wisconsin recently on a business trip.

Banner Lodge (Rebekahs) I. O. O. F. meets next Tuesday evening April 7th. J. L. Hedrick of Decatur, Ill., visited his friend, Geo. McNaught, over Sunday.

Talk about style—you should see the style and quality in Thompson's line of spring shoes.

Rev. Rood pastor of the Congregational church will occupy the pulpit again next Sabbath.

Rev. H. H. Rood and family will occupy what is known as the "Brookings place" about May 1st.

Express Messenger McKenzie has moved into what is known as the Wylie place on the north side.

Until electric lights are established, let Thompson furnish you with the best grades of oil at lowest prices.

D. G. Graham returned from Wheaton Friday evening, accompanied by Mrs. Graham, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Plano.

Seventy-five pairs of men's pants to be sold out at \$1.00. It is just like giving them away. Come and take your choice. Bateman & Palmer.

The people believe what they read about Hood's Sarsaparilla. They know that it is an honest medicine, and that it cures disease. That is why you should get only Hood's.

Monday this office began work on the delinquent tax list. Last year there were fifty-four columns of solid nonpareil type used in setting it up. This year the list bids fair to exceed that of last.

The team of J. P. Dower's which is driven on the milk wagon, took a lively run through the trees in the north-side park, Saturday. They were captured, however, before much damage was done.

Wm. Straube is making an elegant, stylish and modern residence building out of the old mill property on Belmont Street. He is transforming it into flats and they will contain all the modern conveniences.

Mrs. Mary Lyons celebrated her 77th birthday last Monday by inviting a few of her friends to dine with her. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Heart of Cass Common, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barnhart and Allan, also R. Green were present.

North Main streets and Foote both, require attention in the matter of improving them with gravel or crushed stone. This is particularly apparent at this time. For a heavily loaded vehicle the roads are impossible clear out to the plank road.

Mr. and Mrs. David P. Blodgett and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Singletary were out from the city last Sunday, visiting their parents and friends. The young people have rented the Chilvers house on Saratoga avenue, and will go to house-keeping, making Downers Grove their home.

Easter Sunday this year falls on April 5th. The establishment of the Christian festival of Easter, typical of the resurrection of the Lord, was a matter of much controversy in the church for centuries, but was finally established by the Gregorian calendar adopted by the Roman church in 1582, and Easter is always the first Sunday after the full moon, which happens upon or next after March 21, which date is the beginning of the ecclesiastical year.

An exchange says: Every time you quit advertising you commence losing ground. Nothing is truer. Some of the best towns in the country have gone into hopeless decline, simply because the merchants did not push their business. The indirect advantage of advertising are greater than the direct—the universal prosperity and growth of a town are promoted this way. Keep your business in the papers all the time, if you want dull seasons to vanish.

The ringing of the fire bell brought out the fire company with the fire apparatus, Saturday morning. Smoke was issuing from the house of Chas. Mochel on Curtis street. It seems his little daughter was dressing, and looking under a lounge for some wearing apparel, struck a match to better see. The covering of the couch caught fire, but prompt action of the occupants of the house, in throwing the burning lounge out of doors prevented a conflagration and the hose was not needed.

Mrs. M. A. Paul is visiting in the city. Brownies overalls for the boys at Nash Bros. Seasonable fruits and vegetables at Thompson's. Mrs. Herman, who has been ill for some time is able to be out. Rhuben Gress is visiting with friends in the Grove this week. Mr. Needham of Hinsdale was in our village Thursday of last week. J. W. Rogers transacted business at Wheaton the greater part of last week. Fred Dow of Plankinton, So. Dak., visited the REPORTER force this week. Mr. Rollo M. Cole, is confined to his bed with inflammatory rheumatism. Communion services at the Congregational church next Sabbath morning. Vito-Kolafra, the first and greatest of tonics, 90 cents at Bush & Simonson. J. W. Graves has been taking a much needed rest the fore part of the week. Mrs. H. P. McCoy of Newark, Ill., is visiting with Mrs. John L. Wylie, this week.

Take your money to Thompson's and get 100 cents worth of merchandise for every dollar. Mr. Will Hallenbright is spending the week in the country with Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Mayer. A recent letter from John Oldfield states that he expects to be in Downers the latter part of April. Perhaps your stock of canned goods is exhausted—Thompson's isn't. Best quality and lowest prices. Mrs. Guy L. Bush, gave a "heart" party at her pleasant home on Gilbert avenue, Wednesday evening. Before buying a wheel allow Bush & Simonson to quote prices and point out the advantages in their line. Miss Hattie Burnette returned the past week, from the south, where she has been for more than a year. Make your home lovely with beautiful effects in wall decorations. Geo. E. Downer has an endless variety.

Morning Services at the Congregational church will hereafter commence at 10:30 instead of 10:45 as heretofore. One of our boys went out for a walk Sunday morning, and now his voice is changed. He says he got his feet wet. Duluth Shamrock flour. Best for bread and pastry. Guaranteed to be superior to any other Minnesota flour, at Colville's. Bush & Simonson are sole agents for the popular high grade Napoleon Bicycles, also will give you a figure on the Burlington. Time for spring paper hanging and painting. Geo. E. Downer can completely paint and redecorate your house for little money. Mrs. J. C. Myers, has been visiting in Downers the past week, before going to Beardstown, where Mr. Myers will preach the coming year. Mrs. A. L. Palmer has purchased of the Thomas Lyman estate the property located on the northwest corner, Maple avenue and Washington street. Mrs. Marshall would like to make engagements with ladies, who wish first-class dressmaking done at their home. \$1.50 per day. Call or send card. The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Library Association, will be held in their room on Curtis street, next Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. The Downers Grove base ball club reorganized last week for the season 1896, with J. W. Graves, captain, and Howard Jones, secretary, and treasurer. Hon. James will pass the hat among the brethren, that may wish to contribute toward the ball team and its success. Last Friday was the eighteenth birthday of George McNaught. Elmer Escher planned and executed a neat little surprise for him at the residence of Mrs. D. D. Escher. Those present were Messrs. George McNaught, Lou Beidleman, Bud Kellogg, Sam Parkes, Mr. Moor, Elmer Escher, Misses Ethel Edwards, Laura Hughes, Lydia Sucher, Grace Whitney, Florence and Gertrude Frankele, Carrie Colwell. Mineral water is the most exhilarating beverage the citizens of Hinsdale can procure, except upon a physician's prescription. The March grand jury returned indictments against five citizens of the western suburb for alleged liquor selling and they were brought up for trial today. Bliss Reed and his wife were fined \$120 and costs, amounting in all to \$161, while William Winkelman was assessed \$111. Several others who had been caught in the judicial dragnet paid \$86 each.

VILLAGE TICKET NOMINATED.

Young Blood To Be Enthused In The Village Board

Thompson's hall was filled to overflowing last Friday night at the village caucus, to nominate a village president and three trustees. It was pleasing to note the large audience, showing as it did the deep interest manifested.

E. W. Farrar called the meeting to order. Capt. Rogers was elected chairman and Guy L. Bush, secretary. In taking his seat chairman Rogers spoke to the point in advising the caucus to nominate representative men.

Chas. Curtiss and C. V. Carpenter were nominated for president.

Jas. Burns, G. H. Bunge and C. C. Carnahan were appointed tellers and W. H. Edwards assistant secretary. A motion to adjourn to the Auditorium was voted down.

On the informal ballot for president, Carpenter received 151 votes; Curtiss, 69; scattering 16. Formal ballot—Carpenter, 152; Curtiss, 61; scattering, 14. Mr. Carpenter was declared the nominee.

Eight nominations were made for members of the village board as follows: J. M. Barr, Chas. Mochel, Jas. Clifford and C. R. Blodgett from the south side, and J. W. Hughes, E. Schultz, C. S. Sharp and S. Berens from the north side.

The nomination of the first side trustee was voted on first. First ballot—Mochel 100; Barr 81; Clifford, 46; Blodgett 12. Before the second ballot Mr. Blodgett withdrew; second ballot—Mochel, 105; Barr, 88; Clifford, 38. It was then moved that the two highest be voted on. On the third and nominating ballot, Mochel received 129 and Barr 115. Mochel was declared nominated.

Only one ballot was taken for nominating the two north side trustees. It resulted as follows: J. W. Hughes, 164; E. Schultz, 163; S. Berens, 38; C. L. Sharp, 24; scattering 8. Hughes and Schultz were declared nominated.

Bert C. White was the only candidate for the village clerk nomination and he was nominated by acclamation.

The chair appointed as the committee to call caucuses for next year, P. C. Gallup, L. P. Naramore and J. M. Barr, after which the caucus was adjourned.

TIN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Last Friday Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Downer had been man and wife for ten years. Their lady friends were aware of the fact, and in a quiet way determined to surprise them. No man was notified of the proposed proceedings and at eleven o'clock the ladies repaired to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Downer, and unexpectedly took possession of the premises. Tinware and other presents were carried along, as were refreshments. The merry party set down to a dinner served upon the tinware carried with them. They did full justice to the repast, and pleasantly spent the afternoon in remissent conversation. Mr. Downer was the only gentleman present and was kept busy looking after the wants of the fair ladies present. With hearty wishes for many happy returns of the day the party broke up. Those present were: Mesdames Frankele, Skinner, Worley, Cleverger, Jorlen, Bryce, Dent, Wertzler, Romeise, Swartz, John Downer, Simonson, Wylie, Rando, and Miss Mason.

During the thunder shower last Saturday, an unoccupied house belonging to Winslow Churchill in the rear of the Baptist church, was struck by lightning and was considerably damaged. The bolt struck the chimney and glancing down, tore a large hole in the roof and played havoc in general with the interior of the building. A. U. Elliott had made preparations to paper and decorate the house that morning, but had abandoned the job till a more favorable day, a few minutes before the thunder bolt struck. He probably owes his life to this fact. Several windows were shattered in Rev. Geo. C. Moor's residence across the street by the force of the shock.

A new departure has been made by a family paper published at St. Paul, Minn. Send 10 cents (in stamps or coin) and a list of five friends who buy seeds, to THE AMERICAN HOME AND GARDEN, Newspaper Row, St. Paul, Minn., and you receive by return mail the famous Dolly Varden Mixture of over 50 varieties of choice flowers, and the Royal Mixture of 50 varieties of Sweet Peas, or 5 packages of vegetable seeds: Radish, Onion, Beet, Tomato Cabbage. In addition to this you will receive a 3 months subscription to the American Home and Garden, a bright 16-page illustrated journal devoted to the Garden and Household, the only paper of its kind in the Northwest. Please say which you prefer, flowers or vegetables. For 20 cents in stamps all will be sent.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, relieve constipation and assist digestion. 25c.

ENDORSE ELECTRIC LIGHTS

CITIZENS MEET IN AUDITORIUM AND DEMONSTRATE THE FACT

THE PLAN WAS FULLY EXPLAINED

People Take Kindly to the Enterprise. The Securing of Local Capital is all that Remains to be Done.

Over two hundred people gathered in the Auditorium last Monday night in response to a call. The object of the meeting was to secure a sentiment of the citizens of Downers Grove, in regard to an electric light plant to be under the supervision of the village. The meeting was called to order by A. H. Wetten and organized by the selection of Capt. T. S. Rogers as chairman. Attorney Slusser was then called upon to outline the proposed plan by which the village could legally control an electric lighting plant. This he did, to the satisfaction of all present. Many pertinent questions were thrust at the speaker, to which he gave convincing answers. Some objections were raised to the plan—more on account of an imperfect understanding, than any other reason. Mr. Slusser after having satisfied the meeting of the legality of the proposed scheme, Mr. Drake, of Chicago, an expert electrical engineer, was called upon to explain the practical portion of the enterprise. Mr. Drake, in a lucid and interesting address, demonstrated that electric lights could be installed here and be in a short time a self-sustaining and paying investment to the village. A general discussion was then participated in by many of those present—in which every phrase of the subject was touched, and the result of which was a more perfect understanding of the details.

A. H. Wetten contributed much valuable information which, owing to his extended investigations as a member of the improvement committee, he was in a position to do. A motion was made that the sense of the village meeting be that the village did not want electric lights, which received no second. Immediately after a motion was made and seconded that the sentiment of the meeting was in favor of the plan as proposed by the village attorney, which after some digressional remarks, was unanimously carried—only two or three voices dissenting. We are safe in saying that the people are of one mind in regard to this matter and heartily approved the projected method of lighting our village by electricity.

But a short time will now elapse before arrangements will be perfected and all details arranged whereby a plant will be located in Downers Grove, for the purpose named.

Those who have been instrumental in pushing and investigating the subject are to be congratulated and commended on the part they have taken in the matter, and the hopeful outlook for the successful culmination of their efforts.

The improvement committee of the village board have decided to prepare a subscription book for subscriptions to the electric light bonds, and canvass for the sale of the bonds before forming a company. The reason for doing this, instead of first organizing a company, is to do away with any expense, should the bonds not be sold. The books are now open and subscriptions may be made at any time. Electric lights are almost an assured fact.

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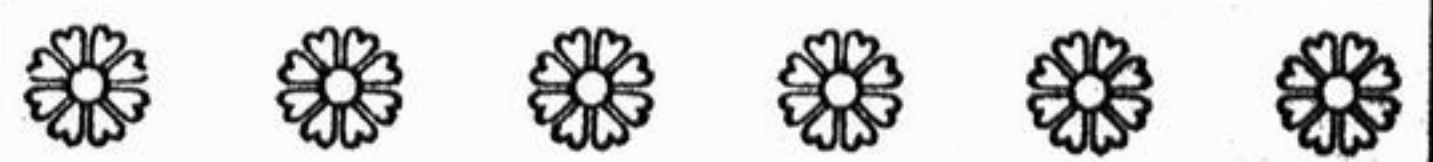
Miss Grace Oldfield has gone to LaGrange to spend a few days.

A painful accident happened to one of our old neighbors last week. Mrs. Price, who is living in Chicago, slipped and fell, dislocating her hip. She was taken to the hospital, where it will be necessary for her to remain for a few weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. Sedweek came from Evanston Friday evening, intending to remain over night at Arthur Gregory's and pass a week among Cass people. But Mrs. Sedweek was taken ill and they were obliged to return to Evanston Monday.

Election of Sunday school officers occurred Sunday. The following were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. F. J. Smart, Supt., Frank Gregory, Asst., John Heart, Sec. and Treas. F. W. Winbolt, Chorister; Miss Cora Heart, Organist; Evrin Heart, Librarian. We have a good list of officers, and hope that the work will proceed as promptly and energetically as did the election.

Governor Altgeld has issued his proclamation designating Friday, April 17, as Arbor Day, to be observed throughout the state as a day for planting trees, shrubs and vines about the homes and along the highways and public grounds within the state.



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The only way you can appreciate the immensity and varied assortment of our stock of these goods is to come and see them. You have never seen a better assortment of values:

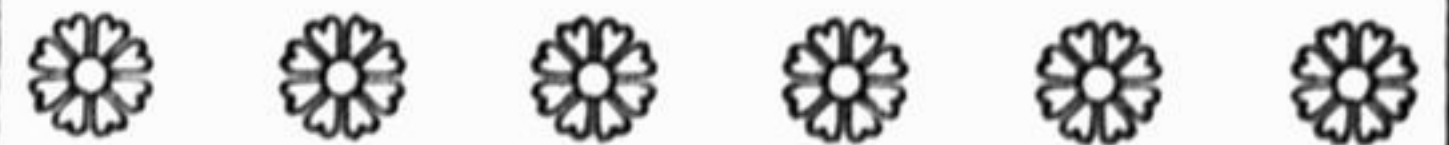
Infants Moccasins
Blutcherettes
Juliet boots

...In dressed and undressed Kid.

Colors Coffee, Blue, Tan, Green, Ecru, White and Black.

The most charming effects for the little ones' feet yet out. Prices are low on these goods. Come and see them. You will be charmed.

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High grade white and negligee shirts at Nash Bros.

Pretty prints—Thompson's assortment of calicoes.

Fine buckwheat flour, 10 lbs. for 35 cents, at Bateman & Palmer's.

W. H. Colville is now handling the justly famous Shamrock flour.

Makes the whitest and sweetest bread—Pillsbury's Best flour at Thompson's.

Thompson has made hosts of friends through his excellent coffees. Try his Java and Mocha.

Hughes & Gallup represent several of the best fire insurance companies and can give you good rates.

Those dingy walls can easily be remedied by a new lot of latest style wall paper by Geo. E. Downer.

Look at the prize designs in wall paper Geo. E. Downer carries. The most pleasing tints and combinations conceivable. Borders and ceilings to match.

Geo. E. Downer is now located in Mr. Bryce's block on Belmont street, and has lately added an elegant stock of wall papers and borders. The latest spring designs are shown in great profusion.

VILLAGE ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given, that on Tuesday the twenty-first day of April next, at the village hall in the village of Downers Grove, in the county of DuPage and the state of Illinois, an election will be held for the following village officers, viz: Three village trustees, one village clerk, one president of village board. Which election will be opened at 7 o'clock in the morning, and will continue open until 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day. Given under my hand at Downers Grove, Ill., the 24th day of March, A. D., 1896. BERT C. WHITE, Village Clerk.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The 32d series of stock of the Downers Grove Loan & Homestead Ass'n, will be open for subscribers on the 15th day of April, 1896, without limitation. GUY L. BURN, Secretary.

NOTICE.

The eighth annual meeting of the Downers Grove Loan & Homestead Ass'n for the election of Directors, will be held in the Director's room of the bank building, on the 14th of April at 8 o'clock p. m. All stockholders are requested to be present. GUY L. BURN, Secretary.