

### FOR M'KINLEY AND SOUND MONEY.

Enthusiastic Republican Club Organized Saturday Night.

The splendid audience that gathered at the Auditorium Saturday night for the double purpose of organizing a McKinley and sound money club and to listen to addresses from Judge Brown, H. H. Goodrich, and Supt. Morgan, evidenced the extent to which the people of Downers Grove and the surrounding country are interested in political affairs this year. Although the campaign has but just opened, the meeting held Saturday night was equal in point of numbers to some of the really big meetings in previous campaigns and would have done credit to a middle-of-the-campaign meeting. A more orderly or a more attentive assembly would be hard to find. The speakers were listened to in a manner that betokens the general desire to gain reliable information on the great issues of the campaign, especially the currency question, which they explained in such an easy manner that every one present was not only instructed but entertained by their explanations.

The assembly first took the form of an organization meeting and Capt. T. S. Rogers was elected temporary chairman and Hugh M. White temporary secretary. Capt. Rogers stated the object of the organization and invited all who favored the election of Wm. McKinley and believed in the doctrine of sound money to become members. Some fifty persons responded by signing the application for membership. After listening to the speeches the meeting adjourned until next Saturday evening at the same place, where permanent organization will be effected and a program of campaign arranged. M. Stusser and F. W. C. Hayes will be the speakers, and a large and enthusiastic meeting is anticipated. All persons of whatever political belief are requested to attend and listen to some good, sensible talks on the issues of the day. A double quartette is being organized from among the young men of the club, and they will assist at the meetings to be held during the campaign. The ladies are especially invited to attend the meetings.

In addition to the members who joined last Saturday evening a large number of names have been secured this week, swelling the membership of the club to between 150 and 200.

### ALMOST DITCHED THE FAST MAIL.

The Omaha fast mail train which passes through here at about 3:30 a. m. narrowly escaped being wrecked at Lisle last Saturday morning. A pile of railroad ties had been placed on the track immediately in front of the depot at that place. A little further west a baggage truck and chicken coop were also placed. At the usual time the fast mail came thundering along at the rate of sixty miles an hour and struck both obstructions at full speed. The ties were hurled into the air and the truck and coop were smashed into a thousand pieces. Fortunately the train kept the track, and was stopped about one mile west of the scene of the collision. Examination disclosed no damage to the engine other than the pilot being smashed. The matter was reported to headquarters and investigation made which resulted in suspicion pointing to a German resident of Downers Grove. It appears that the suspected party came out from the city on the last train Friday night. He was intoxicated and slept until aroused by the conductor at East Grove, who told him that his was the next station. He was found asleep again on the train after leaving Downers Grove and wanted to be put off at Belmont. That train does not stop there and instead he was put off at Lisle, which he very much disliked and he remarked to George Willard, the conductor of the train, that he would get even with the company for dropping him there. It is presumed that in his drunken fury he placed the obstructions on the track to satisfy his desire for revenge.

The Railroad officials have a detective at work on the case and the arrest of the person for obstructing the mail train will probably follow.

### THE TRIP TO ST. JOSEPH.

The sky did look angry and threatening, and the distant roll of thunder foretold the approach of a storm. Notwithstanding this warning, the First Baptist church choir of Downers Grove, accompanied by a goodly number of friends, set sail on its annual trip to St. Joseph, Michigan, Friday evening, August 21st. In spite of the threats of the elements, however, everything seemed to be in our favor. The moon was "out of sight," the company most congenial, and so far as we have been able to learn since our return, the "squalls" were confined mostly to land, and arose from the hearts of anxious parents and friends who entertained grave fears as to our safety. This anxiety was all for naught, for while those near and dear to us at home were endeavoring to insure their lives against the almost continuous flashes of lightning that several times visited earth in their midst, old Lake Michigan was tranquilly itself, and not one of our party found it necessary to "heave to"—this a strictly nautical term—during our voyage.

Time nor space will permit us to enter into details in regard to our trip to Benton Harbor, via the electric cars, but this much knowledge we will impart, providing the good deacons never learn the facts, which are, to state them briefly: Patches plenty, some quite green. Man not up, boys not seen. Kind conductor said: "My treat." Boys stole fruit for girls to eat. First sensation, naught but gain. Two hours later, terrible pain. Our English falls us as we endeavor to record the pleasures of our trip up the St. Joe river in the little steam launch. How we sang and sang at the request of the man at the helm. Sing, until the fish rose to the water's sur-

### WEDDING BELLS.

A very pretty, but quiet wedding at Hinsdale Tuesday evening, united Mr. Daniel J. Milley of Downers Grove, to Miss Laura M. Skeels of Hinsdale. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents in the presence of only the intimate friends and relatives of the contracting parties, by the Rev. M. N. Preston of the Congregational church. The parlor was handsomely decorated with flowers and presented a beautiful appearance.

August 25th, was a pleasant and delightful day and it was in sympathy with the young hearts, who were looking forward to the hour when they should be pronounced as one before God and man. By 8 o'clock, the nearest friends and relatives of the bride and groom had gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Skeels at Hinsdale, and the young people took the place assigned them in the parlor, and then the words were pronounced that united their fortunes for life. Congratulations that were heartfelt and unrestrained by the presence of strangers, followed, and then a little time was passed in social intercourse, after which all were invited to the large and spacious dining room where a rich and bountiful feast had been spread. Every one present did full justice to the same. A little more time was spent in pleasant conversation, when the lateness of the hour admonished all that it was time to disperse. The words of farewell were spoken, the friends left to seek their homes, while the happy bride and groom took the 10:19 train for their own home in our beautiful village, where the groom had everything prepared for his bride.

The principals in the pleasant event are among the best known of Downers Grove and Hinsdale young people. The bride is a most estimable young lady, beloved by all who know her, and possesses those traits of character that go to make a real helpmate and a happy home. The fortunate groom is a popular young resident of our village, whose affable, gentlemanly and steady disposition has brought to his side a wide circle of friends.

At once they went to housekeeping in their new home, where they will be happy to receive and welcome their numerous friends. That their life may be as full of brightness and sunshine as their wedding day, is the desire and prayer of all their friends.

### OBITUARY.

Philip Rasweiler, father of Prof. J. K. Rasweiler of this village, surrounded by his loved ones, died at the residence of his son near Naperville last Saturday, Aug. 22d, aged 84 years, 4 months and 4 days.

Father Rasweiler was born at Mettersheim, Germany, April 18th, 1812, and came to America in 1837, a young man of 25, and settled at Crystal Lake, Pa., where he was converted the same year and united with the Evangelical church. He was a devoted faithful member of the church for fifty-nine years, occupying various positions of trust and was a class leader for fifty years or more.

He was married at Orwigsburg, Pa., June 10th, 1841, to Miss Anna D. Haessler, who, with three sons and three daughters survive him. One son and two daughters having preceded him to the better world.

They came to Illinois in 1857 and lived in or near Cedarville, Stephenson county, continuously since then until nearly two years ago, when on account of declining strength, and in order to be near the children, they made their home with their son, Mr. Charles A. Rasweiler, near Naperville, where they might more frequently be cheered with the presence of the children, most of whom live in this vicinity.

The surviving children are Prof. H. H. Rasweiler, so well and favorably known in Naperville, Prof. John K. Rasweiler of Downers Grove, Mr. Charles A. Rasweiler of Naperville, who with his estimable wife, enjoyed the sweet privilege of ministering to his last wants. Mrs. Prof. J. W. Troger of LaGrange, Mrs. Rev. Shisler of Ohio, and Miss Amelia Rasweiler of LaGrange.

The evening of life to this dear man of God was what we should expect—full of hope and gladness. He was often oblivious to suffering in his sweet communion with his Lord and often expressed the desire to depart and be with Christ. His desire was finally granted and he went home rejoicing to be with his Lord and the loved ones gone before.

The funeral services were held on Monday afternoon from Salem church, under the direction of Rev. J. G. Fidler, the pastor of the deceased, Bishop R. Dubs, who has known Father Rasweiler for 40 years or more, preached an appropriate sermon to a large congregation, and Rev. W. Caton of Grace church, who has also known him for about 25 years, assisted in the services. —Clarion.

## Current Events.

Eat Bapst's Columbia bread.  
Additional local news on fifth page.

Eat Bapst's Quaker bread and be happy.

Mertz & Moebel sell Quick Meal gasoline stoves.

Dr. A. W. Morrow of Hinsdale, was over Saturday.

Have you ever tried Bapst's Irish bread? It is fine.

Try Courtright & Rang's ice cream at 25 cts per quart.

Creamery butter 20c; fresh eggs 10c, at Bateman & Palmer's.

Who says Bapst's bread is the best? All who have ever tried it.

Mrs. H. P. Courtright is spending a few weeks at St. Joe, Mich.

FOR RENT—295 acre farm. Apply to H. E. Strong, Downers Grove.

C. K. Roe has broken ground for a new cottage on East Curtiss street.

C. G. Knight visited his aunt, Mrs. W. S. Stackhouse in the city Sunday.

Dr. H. B. Barber of Naperville, called on A. L. Palmer and family, this week.

J. H. Whitehead left Monday for a business trip to Franklinton, Kentucky.

Thompson's for fruit. He gets the first on the market, and he sells no inferior grades.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sabin of Lee, Mass., are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Courtright.

Charles G. Knight and Miss Beulah Wallace rode their wheels to Lemont Friday afternoon.

Lighting struck a tree in front of John Fairweather's house during the storm Friday night.

Daylight special for St. Paul, Aug. 31—leaves Downers Grove 9:07 a. m. Fare \$9.00 for the round trip.

Mrs. I. P. Blodgett and son, Charles, started Monday for a visit of several weeks duration in New England.

Louis Boaz, of Chicago, left last week for a trip on the road to introduce the new wrench recently patented by W. F. Born.

Geneva is preparing for a rousing republican rally Monday, September 7th, at which time John R. Tanner will deliver an address.

Mrs. Perry Walker and daughters, left yesterday for their home at Plattsmouth, Neb., after having spent the summer in Downers Grove.

Miss Martha Downer, eldest daughter of M. B. Downer, has gone for a visit to Canada and expects to visit Buffalo and Niagara Falls before returning.

Rev. Wesley M. Stover and daughter, Helen, of Ballandou, Africa, have been staying a few days with his wife's sister, Mrs. T. W. Aldrich, on Highland avenue.

Messrs. Duncan and Henderson of Chicago, have rented respectively the Gray and Hinds houses in this village and will establish their homes here within a few days.

The board of education desire to have it announced that the fall term of school will commence Monday, August 31st. It is expected that in families where vaccination is necessary, that the parents will attend to the matter before that date.

FOR SALE—Ten room house including bathroom, all modern improvements, hardwood floors, plate glass, furnace heat. One hundred feet frontage; fruit and shade trees. Low price, easy terms. GEO. M. LEE, Downers Grove, Ill.

Will Stewart's mare, Minerva, won the one mile selling race at St. Louis Saturday, Time, 1:14. Mr. Stewart has recently purchased a fine two-year-old which will put on the track the coming season and from which he expects great speed.

A full line of stylish millinery will be opened August 28 at the old post-office stand on Main street, by Misses Dolores McCarty and Marie Johnson. They will carry a special line of children's hats. All the ladies are cordially invited to call and examine our stock.

All county judges will have a busy term of court from now on. Hundreds of foreigners are getting ready to bombard the offices with applications for final papers of naturalization. There will be an unusually large crop this year on account of the interest taken in the campaign. Every man who is eligible will be present to have the oath administered and receive his license to vote.

A handsome pamphlet has been prepared by the C. B. & Q. R. R., setting forth in type and appropriate photographs, the advantages of the suburbs. Our citizens are requested to send the names and addresses of their friends in Chicago, most likely to be interested, to P. S. Eastis, General Passenger Agent, C. B. & Q. R. R., Chicago, and he will send copy of the pamphlet without charge.

Contractor J. W. Herring is drawing plans and specifications for John Oldfield for a proposed two story brick block to be erected on his property at the corner of Main and Curtiss streets. The proposed structure will be of brick, 44x60 feet, and contain two store rooms below and finished off into flats on the second floor. The specifications call for the best material. The building will be heated, have elevator and all modern conveniences. Should the building be erected it will make a handsome improvement to Main street.

Fruit cans at Brode's.

Always on top Bapst's Quaker bread, W. H. Colville has a new ad this week.

Always the same Bapst's Quaker bread.

If you want the best bakery goods, ask for Bapst's.

Constable Dixon and family visited in Michigan, over Sunday.

The more you eat the more you want Bapst's home made bread.

Ask your grocer for Bapst's bread and get the finest in the market.

California fruit, fresh and fine, at lowest market prices. Nash Bros.

The little daughter of M. J. McDowd, has been taken sick with diphtheria.

Bapst's home made bread is as sweet as a nut and as white as snow. Try it.

See W. H. Colville's quotations for best quality goods in another column.

Miss Della Wilcox returned Monday from a visit to her sisters in Plano and Dixon.

S. M. Elwood, brother-in-law of A. L. Palmer, made him a short visit one day last week.

Washburn-Crosby's Gold Medal and Superlative flour at Mertz & Moebel's; \$3.75 per barrel.

Hood's pills cure nausea, sick headache, indigestion, biliousness. All druggists, 25c.

A. E. Courtright and wife drove across the country to Newark Tuesday, for a few days visit.

The Straube piano factory has several slightly used Schaeffer pianos for sale or rent on easy terms.

WANTED—Good housekeepers to call at Brode & Co's, and inspect their patent enameled cookers.

A large number of young ladies and gentlemen indulged in a strawride to Naperville Monday evening.

W. H. Colville the North side grocer, has no "leaders," but you will find, on the whole, it is the cheapest place to buy groceries.

WANTED—TO RENT—A six or seven room cottage near business portion of village; must have good water. Inquire at this office.

Messdames Wylie, Rando, White, Kinney, Shears and Binder, and the Misses Hoffman and Wylie spent the day yesterday at Manhattan Beach.

Call at the "Style" millinery store, after August 25, and examine our stock. Courteous treatment, reasonable prices and the latest styles assured.

Next Sunday evening will be held the last union services of the churches at the Methodist church. Thereafter services will be held as usual in all the churches.

FOR RENT—A first-class nearly new 8-room house with large lot on Fairmount ave. Has city water and all modern improvements. Rent low to a desirable tenant or will sell on easy terms. Apply to F. A. Root.

Harvest excursions via Burlington Route, August 4 and 18, September 1, 15 and 29, and October 6 and 20, 1896; to points in the southwest, west and northwest. Low fare. For full particulars inquire of G. H. BUNGE, agent Burlington Route.

The six mile amateur bicycle race last Saturday, between Wheeler, Lawson, Zarn, Patterson and Root resulted in a victory for Wheeler, one of the scratch men. Time 23:20. Root's right pedal snapped off just at the start and he did not make the run.

Dr. A. W. Morrow of Hinsdale, will open a branch office in Downers Grove over Carpenter's drug store, Tuesday, September 1st. Thereafter he will be found in his office here every Tuesday and Friday forenoon. The balance of the time he will be found as usual in his office at Hinsdale. Those in need of dentistry are invited to call.

School begins next Monday. Children are requested not to buy books until instructed to do so, by the teacher or superintendent, after the reclassification has been made. All pupils will please report at same building and room as last term until the transfer of grades and classes can be made. It will be to the advantage of every child to begin school the very first day.

J. K. RASWEILER, Supt.

FRESH AIR NOTES.—The increased heaviness of our treasury prompted us to count our money lately and to our surprise it footed nearly twenty-five dollars. The exact figure is \$24.20, and this entirely from voluntary gifts. While we have tried to remember and acknowledge all the gifts that have come in we find in tracing out the list that some have been forgotten. A half dozen chairs, particularly useful and enjoyable because of their lightness, came from an unknown friend. Though the note accompanying them was written in the city, we have our suspicions. These gifts of money from Miss Haven, Mrs. A. B. Austin and also from the two little boys who so pluckily maintained a lemonade stand for a time were forgotten, and unnoted. One of the envelopes put into the contribution box last Sabbath and containing \$1.00 was marked "Fresh Air Fund," and unsigned. Mrs. McNaught's penny box yielded \$1.00 last week. We have now five children at Miss Lacey's home, two boys at Mrs. Bush's, a mother at Mrs. Paul's and I think another mother and babe somewhere. The mother at Mrs. Paul's is very anxious to do a few day's work

at her home.

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Call at the "Style" millinery store, after August 25, and examine our stock. Courteous treatment, reasonable prices and the latest styles assured.

## \$3.50 Gold or Silver

### Buys One Barrel of

## GOLD MEDAL FLOUR

### 90c Buys one-fourth Barrel.

This Flour is new stock and we guarantee it to be superior to any Flour that can be purchased for the same money.

### Every Sack Guaranteed!

### ANOTHER SLUMP!

.....While They Last.....

## Challenge Rolled Oats

2-pound full weight package for

## 5 CENTS

Remember these are no "fake" prices, but genuine legitimate bargains. First class goods for SPOT CASH.

## NASH BROS.

## Don't chase Your... Shadow

### Or do Your Sewing with A Poor Sewing Machine.

You will get poor results in either case.

As a Special Inducement we have marked down our prices for the month of July on

## Sewing Machines for Cash



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| 4 drawer New Home, and all attachments | \$27.50 |
| Domestic " "                           | 27.50   |
| New Crown " "                          | 25.50   |
| High Arm Old Style Singer              | 12.50   |
| Low " " "                              | 11.00   |

..... Have also bought a large assortment of.....

### GRANITE WARE

direct from the factory at bottom prices, and are now selling same as cheap as same goods can be bought in Chicago.

## Mertz & Moebel