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Holiday Bargains:

We have an endless assortment of articles suitable for holiday gifts that combine beauty and utility. Come in and examine our stock; it will appeal to the eye as well as the pocketbook. For the little folks we have sleds and skates in profusion. Look at some of the prices offered:

Neatly Painted and Strong Hand Sleds	from 25c to $1.50
Good Club Skates. All Sizes	per pair 30 cents
Nickled " " " "	per pair 65, 75, $1.15, $1.50
Ladies' Skates " "	65 to $1.50
Good Stag Handle Carving Sets	50 cents
Fancy " " " "	from 75 to $2.00
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We offer Special Bargains in

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During This Month

For Cash Only:

4 Drawer NEW HOME Machine latest style with full set attachments	$26.00
4 Drawer DOMESTIC same as above	26.00
4 " NEW CROWN " "	23.50
4 " Low Arm SINGER	10.50
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Be sure the sack bears the firm's name and look out for the yellow center; without this the flour is not genuine.

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Gold Medal, by Mertz & Mochel.

These Flours are Equal in Every Respect.

Additional Local.

A Merry Christmas, to all.

Seasonable fruits and vegetables at Thompson's.

Ideal yellow canned peaches, 15 cents, at Nash Bros.

There is a case or two of scarlet fever reported in the village.

Isaac Mason, Miss Clara and Frank are spending the holidays at Streator.

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

Subscription to the REPORTER may be left with D. G. Graham who will receipt for same.

The snow arrived just in time to give a finishing touch to the beautiful Christmas weather.

Following its usual custom the REPORTER office will be closed all day tomorrow—Christmas.

List your houses for rent with D. G. Graham. He has secured quite a number of tenants the past month.

Groceries that are fresh and clean are wanted by everyone. Colville's stock will never disappoint you.

Nash Bros. are selling an extra fancy solid packed canned tomato for 10 cents. Best article in the market for the money.

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.

Fresh groceries, pure breakfast and prepared foods, canned goods and everything new in the grocery line is found at Thompson's.

Thompson is prepared with a full line of underwear for the coming winter's trade. All grades of cotton and woolen underwear in stock.

G. H. Bunge has been appointed deputy grand chancellor of the DuPage district Knights of Pythias by the grand chancellor of the state.

Leave orders at Hughes & Gallup's for hauling trunks, freight and expressing. They will be promptly attended to. J. D. McVEAN.

The jury summoned to try a case in the circuit court last Monday, were discharged by Judge Upton the same day. Counsel in the case not being ready for trial.

Crowds of Christmas shoppers have been going to the city the past week to purchase holiday presents. Merchants at home all report a good trade in seasonable goods.

J. D. McVean has received word that he is a joint heir in an estate of a grandfather, now being settled in Montreal, Canada. His legacy will amount to about $1,000.

Mrs. E. G. Graham and family left yesterday for Jersey Heights, N. Y. to join her husband and son who recently went there. Mr. Graham has a situation at that point, and there they will make their future home.

A forcible entry and detainer suit attracted the attention of the police magistrate last Tuesday. Parties and property in the north part of the county were under consideration. Both plaintiff and defendant are lawyers. M. Slusser was attorney for plaintiff.

The death of Mrs. Hall, mother of Mrs. George Smart, occurred at the residence of her daughter on Chicago Avenue, yesterday morning. Mrs. Hall was one of the oldest settlers in this part of the county. Her death was due to dropsy, the attack of which, owing to her advanced age she was unable to withstand. She was 85 years of age. The funeral will be held to-day at 2 o'clock P. M. Interment will be in the West Cemetery.

This week we have been having the shortest afternoons in the year. Since Tuesday they remain at a standstill until the 31st, when they will begin slowly to lengthen. The mornings will be getting shorter by some minutes until Jan. 8th and then commence lengthening gradually. The shortest day from sunrise to sunset occurred last Monday, Dec. 21st—the day the sun is nearest the earth, but then instead of shining perpendicularly upon our globe, it sends its rays down obliquely and thus causes the atmosphere to be cold.

The Haymarket theater, on Madison street, near Halstead, has only recently been leased by Messrs. Kohl and Castle, who control the Olympic theater and the Chicago Opera House, their intention being to present continuous vaudeville performances daily from 12:30 noon until 10:30 at night, at popular prices—10, 20 and 30 cents. Only the best attractions will be offered, and programs already given show evidence of great care and circumspection in their arrangement. During the season all the leading lights of the vaudeville world and newest novelties in the amusement line will be seen. The management is desirous of securing the patronage of ladies and children at the daily matinees, and to this end special features to delight little folks will be arranged for their entertainment. For the week commencing Dec. 28 an unusually strong list of attractions have been secured.

School closed yesterday until after the holidays.

Walter Bartle of Chicago will spend Christmas here, the guest of W. C. Bartle and family.

A call for a republican caucus to be held in the village hall Saturday, at 4:14 p. m., is published elsewhere in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. White entertained a number of their young friends Tuesday evening. Music and dancing were the means of amusement.

Howard Gesner will eat a 25 pound turkey tomorrow, having been the fortunate possessor of the proper ticket which was awarded the prize Wednesday night at Louie Klein's market.

Prof. Rassweiler received news last Monday of a serious accident which befel his mother at Naperville on that day. The lady, who is over 80 years of age, fell on a slippery walk while out enjoying the air, and broke one of her limbs. The injury, on account of her age, is very likely to prove quite severe.

Dr. McKinney has rented the Hobart property, corner Curtiss and Washington streets of Levi Mertz and will occupy it today. He designs to establish himself here permanently as a practitioner in the Homeopathic school, although he is a graduate in the old school of medicine as well as the former.

E. P. Wise, general agent for the Phenix of Brooklyn, was here Wednesday investigating our waterworks system and arranging to make a new insurance map of the village. He expressed himself as being highly pleased with the result of his investigations and thinks we have an admirable system of waterworks and equipments.

The young people's dancing class, who are at present receiving instructions in the art of dancing from an efficient instructor, are making preparations to give a dancing party on New Years eve, to test their newly acquired knowledge in this particlar line. An enjoyable evening of social amusement is expected by the young people.

Attorney Linus C. Ruth of Hinsdale, is a candidate for county judge, provided Judge Brown is elevated to the circuit, which seems quite probable. Mr. Ruth is a good lawyer and an excellent citizen. Ex-states Attorney Batten is also a candidate, and he is so well known over the county that to attempt eulogizing him, either as a lawyer or a citizen, would look like trying to gild refined gold. It will be a pretty fight between the two, and whichever one succeeds in capturing the nomination, will ensure the county a worthy successor to the able and distinguished incumbents who have preceeded him.

Nothing succeeds like a theater that is on the road of success, and that keeps up the standard that started people to going its way. That is the history of the Olympic theater, which is the best bargain giver of any of the Chicago houses, and which offers unexceptional attractions to shoppers and visitors who do not wish to spend all of their afternoon in the city at a playhouse, but who want to get a good and complete show, without waits of inferior filling in. The Olympic offers just that, and it offers it for such a price that one would not believe, without looking at its list of attractions, that it secured higher priced artists than most of the houses where high prices are charged for admission. It is bargain day every day at the Olympic, although a little extra is offered this week and next on account of the holidays.

SCHOOL NOTES.

A pen may be driven but a pencil does better when it is lead.

The superintendent and some of our teachers expect to attend the annual session of the Illinois State Teachers Association at Springfield, next week.

We were pleased to have a number of visitors in our high school room this week. Among these were Miss Pearl Kimball, 96, Miss Annie Herring, 94, and Miss Rose Barnard, of Lisle.

The boys of the Senior Class and others, together with Mr. Rassweiler, will put in part of their vacation fitting up the Laporatory. If you care to take lessons in carpentry, plumbing, etc., you would do well to report at the high school, Saturday morning.

Hibbard Green outranked all his class-mates in the Algebra test last week, making an average of 90 with Olive Lamb, as a close secnod at 97. Ruby Strong led the Geometry test at 96, and Hattie Strong made the best second, 90, in the Civil Government examination.

Some of our teachers are doing splendid work with their pupils in the Illinois Pupils Reading Circle work. A number of the pupils have received their diplomas from the State manager, and a few have carried both the gilt and the red seals, having read more books than required. A more descriptive report will be made later.

Wonderful are the cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla and yet it is only because as the one true blood purifier, it makes pure, rich, healthy, life-giving blood.

Hood's Pills for the liver and bowels, act easily, yet promptly. 25c.

Fine Hosier

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For Boys and Girls.

Not Leather, but Wear Like Leather.

Fast Black, Sizes 6 1-2 to 9 1-2. Price 25c.

Men's Burlington Half Hose, Fast Black. Good and durable	25c
Kenosha brand half hose, Fancy colors. Two pairs for	25c
Good Woolen Hose, 25 to 40c.	
Ladies Fancy Cotton Hose -	25c
Ladies Fine Fleece Lined hose -	35c
Ladies Wool Hose, good quality	25c

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Direct shipment from T. R. Peck Milling Co., Horseheads, N. Y. Best flour in the world.

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Curtiss Bros. Brand. Quart tins, 40 cents.

A fine assortment of California evaporated fruits:

Peaches, Pears, Apricots and Prunes.

New Figs, Dates and Nuts—all fresh goods.

Monarch Brand Canned Corn and Tomatoes,

Best goods ever placed in cans.

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Laundry work called for and delivered. The best of work done and satisfaction guaranteed.

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COAL and WOOD is also in our line. If you leave your orders with us they will be promptly attended to, and prices will be right.

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Mocha and Java coffee 35 cents per lb. 3 lbs for $1. This coffee cannot be equaled anywhere for the same money.

Syrup, golden drip, the finest table syrup manufactured.....per gal., 50c

Fancy creamery butter in jars of four pounds or more.....per lb. 23c

Full cream cheese, 15c per lb. If you enjoy a good cheese I always keep this particular make and it is superior to any you can buy elsewhere. Try it.

Teas, all kinds from 20 to 60 cents a lb.

Molasses, genuine open kettle New Orleans, absolutely best strong in the world.....per gal.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, genuine N. Y. If you relish good cakes, try this with our absolutely pure maple syrup.

I am never out of strictly fresh country eggs, warranted. Today eggs are little higher than usual, but they are cheaper than you get at other places, and you can rely on them.

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