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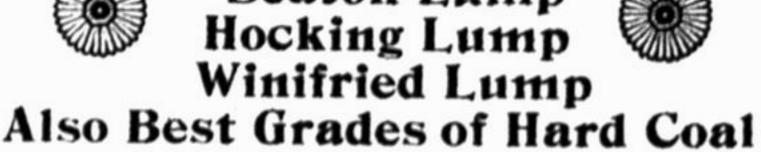
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For Sale, Superlative, by W. H. Barnhart. Gold Medal, by Mertz & Mochel.

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Seasonable fruits and vegetables a Thompson's.

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

Bateman & Palmer's.

An excellent baking powder at 20 per can at Thompson's.

For fine bakery goods leave your order with Mary S. Diener.

only at Mary S. Diener's. Mrs. Calla Bush visited with friends

Bapst's fine bakery goods to be had

in Wheaton the past week. Finest bread in town, fresh every

morning, at Mary S. Diener's. Miss Adah Smith is spending the week visiting friends in the city.

Capt. T. S. Rogers attended the fun eral of Henry Kennedy at Sandwich Friday.

Miss Annie Wetten visited with her friend Etta Elliott at Chicago Heights last week.

A choice piece of crockery free with every package of Clipper coffee, 'at Thompson's.

Subscription to the REPORTER may receipt for same.

over Friday night.

Harry Johnson has returned from the southern part of the state much improved in health.

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

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

Miss Jessie Potter gave a party to her friends in the city, Friday night of last week, several attended from this

cents. Best article in the market for the money.

G. E. White is again on his regular run, having been employed the past week switching at the Fourteenth street yards.

from their southern trip the fore part of last week. They report an enjoyable journey.

Dr. Thomas of Chicago, occupied the Baptist pulpit last Sunday evening and preached an able sermon to an interested audience. Dame rumor has it that one of Down-

ers Groves' fairest daughters will step

from this state into the state of matrimony in the near future. Do not forget the oyster supper tonight at the Club House block, given by the ladies of St. Andrew's mission.

from 5 to 9 p. m. Supper 25 cents. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cooper are re joicing over the arrival of a little daughter January 20th, the 78th anniversary of her Grandpa Wheeler's birthday.

King Bush, Misses Allie and Adel Stanley and Mrs. Adah Anderson, last work, but the flames were extinguish-Thursday evening.

the fore part of the week on business to the house, but was the worse for its connected with the Plano Implement sudden removal. Co., of which he is president. He will visit other points in the south.

tomatoes are as good as higher priced to the charge of selling intoxicating goods elsewhere. He also handles the cider. Eight or ten boys under 18 famous Club House brand of canned years of age were put on the witness goods, the finest that can be purchased.

Mrs. E. H. Prince and Mrs. C. S Foote, with their little ones, started last Wednesday for Federal Point, Fla., where they will make their home till about April 1st. We hope they will return with health renewed.

Dr. A. W. Morrow still makes his usual Tuesday and Friday trips to Downers and has built up a fine practice. His superior workmanship has become recognized by our citizens, which accounts for his being continually called upon to minister to parties desiring dental work,

Mrs., W. H. Edwards is suffering from a lacerated shoulder, the wounds of which were inflicted by the tame squirrel which haunts the vicinity of Curtiss street. Last Thursday morning she Cass people since the holidays. That stepped out on the back porch of her residence for some purpose, when the animal sprang upon her and viciously bit and scratched her before she could defend herself from its attack. The wounds are painful but no serious re- he kicked up. When he reached the suits are anticipated.

The Eastern Stars have completed ar- supposed that a ruptured blood-vessel rangements for disposing of their beautiful autograph quilt. A program of unusual merit has been prepared, including two side-splitting farces. No admission will be charged. Everyone to. is invited and urged to attend. The following program will be presented: Instrumental solo, Mrs. White; Farce, "Getting Ready;" Solo, Mrs. Boerlin, LaGrange; Farce, "The Merry Cobbler:" Disposition of quilt; refreshments and social, Refreshments 15 cents,

#### HINSDALE.

Died-On Monday last, the little daughter of Henry Leibundguth, age six months, at the residence of her parents, south of Hinsdale. The remains were laid to rest in the Cass cemetery on Wednesday.

A sensation was created in local tonsorial circles last week when one of our Constable Dixon is night watch at barbers displayed a sign reading, "Hair cuts, 10 cents; shaves, 5 cents." It is not known yet whether the other barbers will meet the reduction. If they do, things will be real interesting for some weeks to come.

> Diphtheria has again made its appearance in the village. This time visiting a home that two weeks ago was quarantined, because of the disease. Little Henrietta Schichorra was considered by the physicians to be dangerously ill. It is now hoped that she will recover within a brief period.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Wylie entertained a party of their friends at progressive enchre on Wednesday evening. The successful contestants for prizes were Mrs, Eastis and Mr. Weiss and Mr. and Mrs. Peckham each carried home a consolation souvenir of the evening.

The death of T. J. Hunt, one of the most widely known residents of this village, occurred early Wednesday morning at Hotel Hunt, of which he be left with D. G. Graham who will was the proprietor. For some time previous, Mr. Hunt had been quite low Mrs. Alice C. Willard of Chicago with Bright's disease, but the end was visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Parker not expected so soon. The funeral took place at 2 o'clock, yesterday afternoon and the remains of a respected citizen were laid away in (lak Forest. Mr. Hunt was 19 years old and leaves a wife and daughter, residing in Vermont, and a son at Chippewa Falls, Wis. He first engaged in the hotel business here in 1889. - Doings.

#### WHEATON.

Mrs. Rebecca Rumble died of pneumonia at her residence in Wheaton Tuesday evening, at 10:25, January 19, 1897, and was buried from the M. E. church, Friday afternoon, at 2:30. Ser-Nash Bros, are selling an extra fancy vice at the house at 1 o'clock, preparasolid packed canned tomato for 10 tory to the church service, Mrs. Rumble was an old settler and the funeral was largely attended,

Last Friday M. W. Dunham, the millionaire horseman of Oaklawn Farm at Wayne, this county, was taken suddeply ill while engaged in his corres-Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Straube returned pondence, and his friends are doubtful of his recovery. In many things Mr. Dunt am is one of the most remarkable men of his time. His achievements as an importer and breeder of homes has no parallel, while Oaklawn, with six times it original acreage, its fertility doubled, its beauty of architecture and magnificence of landscape, stands a monument of practical agricultural success and artistic taste that has few equals on either continent.

The alarm of fire echoed and reechoed through Wheaton last Satur- 2 day and there was a rush for the Kingsberry home, corner of Hale and Wesley streets, where willing hands removed all the furniture and got ready to see the structure go into the hands of the fire department or go up in smoke. A lighted lamp in the pantry had got to burning too high, set the Miss Louise Stanley entertained her shelves on fire, and when discovered cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush, M. by the advance guard of the fire department was getting in destructive ed before much damage was done. E. H. Prince went to Memphis, Tenn., The furniture was promptly returned

Last Saturday Fritz Schulte, proprietor of the Wheaton hotel, was sum-Thompson's 5 cent canned corn and moned before Justice Smith to answer stand. They had been frequenters of the resort of from one hour per week to several hours per day, but they had all been good boys, according to their testimony, and had never drank anything but orange pop and cider. Perhaps their goodness is the cause of parents allowing them to frequent such resorts. After being out fifteen minutes, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. The city will appeal the

Choir practice Saturday evening at Geo. Littleford.

Is the Second of February going to be like this? 23 degrees below zero.

Considerable sickness has annoyed old enemy, the grippe, shoulders the

Last Saturday Louis Marwitz was hauling a load of stone from Lemont and one of his horses felt so good that big hill north of town, the horse fell Come to Masonic Hall Friday night, down and died in a few minutes. It is was the cause.

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

The Sales of Hood's Sarsaparilla are the largest in the world because the cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla are wonderful, perfect, permanent.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. 25c.

# Fine Hosiery

We have lately received a complete line of the famous Rockford-Chicago socks and hose. In the line are the popular

# \* "Leather Stockings"

For Boys and Girls.

Not Leather, but Wear Like Leather.

Fast Black, 61-2 to 9 1-2. Price 25c.

Men's Burlington Half Hose, Fast Black. Good and durable

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### PURE BUCKWHEAT.

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.

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Best goods ever placed in cans,



We are now closing out our stock of goods recently damaged by smoke and water during the fire which visited our place of business last week. Everything will be sold at greatly reduced prices to make room for new goods.

...ALL OUR...

# Men's Furnishing Goods

Gloves and Hosiery, Boots and Shoes.

The smell of smoke will cling to them until aired, otherwise not damaged. A bargain will be found in every article.

Job lots of Canned Goods,

Preserves, Jellies, Pickles, etc.

None the worse, go at half price.

Ladies' and Children's Rubbers go at Your Own Price.

Spices, Teas and Baking Powder, good as fresh, very cheap.

Give us a call. You will surely find something that will pay you to purchase. Visit us early, as the stock is rapidly disappearing under the inducements we are offerings.

NOTE—We have quite a sum of money outstanding which would greatly assist us at this time could we receive it. We trust our friends will respond.