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Absolutely the Best on the market. Makes the finest and whitest bread. Try a sack. Also have a complete stock of

Hay, Straw, Feed and Grain.

And can give you low prices on any quantity desired. The quality is guaranteed the best.

Mertz & Mochel.

We always have on hand a good supply of

Hard and Soft COAL.

Which we can deliver on short notice. We keep on hand the following grades of soft coal:

**Pocahontas
Seaton Lump
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Cord wood at \$4.75 per cord Delivered. Slab wood just the thing for kindling.

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Good Bread

Is the Staff of Life.

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**Washburn,
Crosby Co.'s**

Absolutely the best in the world.

FLOUR

Highest Grade,
Highest Awards.

Took Medal at World's Fair, Chicago, and wherever exhibited.

Beware of Imitations!

When buying Washburn, Crosby's

**Gold Medal and
Superlative Flours**

Be sure the sack bears the firm's name and look out for the yellow center; without this the flour is not genuine.

For Sale, Superlative, by W. H. Barnhart.

Gold Medal, by Mertz & Mochel.

These Flours are Equal in Every Respect.

Additional Local.

The dancing class will be postponed one week.

Seasonable fruits and vegetables at Thompson's.

H. Stratford moved to Grossdale last Saturday.

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

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

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

Baptist's fine bakery goods to be had only at Mary S. Diener's.

John Narbury of Lombard transacted business here last Saturday.

Mrs. Siddons has moved into the Blanchard house on south Main street.

We noticed a number of ducks going north, but we don't think spring is here.

The Literary club will meet with Will Blodgett Monday evening, Feb. 8th, '97.

H. P. Jones entertained a party of gentlemen at duplicate whist Saturday evening.

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

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

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.

The young people took advantage of the excellent sleighing Sunday, a number of them going as far as LaFrange.

Miss Elizabeth Chatfield was compelled to absent herself from her school duties last Monday on account of sickness.

Mrs. D. A. Dickinson, Miss N. H. Hohart and Mrs. J. H. Bridgeman of Clarendon Hills visited Mrs. Geo. N. Jones Saturday.

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

The contract for the wood furniture for the new court house has been given to John H. Kamp of Wheaton for the sum of \$4234.65.

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

J. D. McVean.

The members of the grand jury for the March term of court from Downers Grove are: John Holland, E. P. Hinds, Peter Liebundguth, W. R. Carlton.

Thompson's 5 cent canned corn and tomatoes are as good as higher priced goods elsewhere. He also handles the famous Club House brand of canned goods, the finest that can be purchased.

The school mates and friends of Miss Flora Worley will be glad to learn that she is rapidly recovering. A few weeks ago she fell and seriously sprained an ankle, but will soon be able to use it again.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Andrew's Mission cleared about \$15.00 as the result of their oyster supper given last Thursday evening. In addition to the oysters, ice cream was served and a pleasant social time was had.

Dr. McKinney is frequently called to the city to assist at surgical operations. The doctor is well versed in both schools of medicine and is thus unusually well equipped to cope with the physical "ills that flesh is heir to."

As a result of the appeal for old clothes to send to the destitute in Chicago made from the Congregational pulpit and in the columns of the REPORTER, eight or more barrels of useful garments were collected and sent to the city last week.

Wm. B. Breed and Miss Cora Luther were married in Geneseo, this state, last Thursday, and are spending a portion of their honeymoon in this village at the home of L. Mertz, uncle of the bride. After their visit here they go to Chicago for a few days and will then return to their Geneseo home.

Bert C. White has been appointed agent for the Masonic Fraternal Accident association for DuPage county. The premium is \$13.00 per annum for \$5,000 insurance in case of death by accident and \$35.00 per week indemnity is allowed for disability, making it the cheapest accident insurance obtainable.

Miss Harriet Burnette who has been very sick for some time with nervous prostration and other troubles, is now on the mend. She has been suffering all winter from nervousness and indigestion, the result of overtaxing herself in caring for the sick, but kept up until the middle of January, when she was prostrated. Dr. McKinney has been in attendance since that time.

Prevention is better than cure. Keep your blood pure, your appetite good and your digestion perfect by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills act harmoniously with Hood's Sarsaparilla, gentle, efficient.

VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS.

Downers Grove, Jan. 4, '97. The regular meeting for the month of January, 1897, called to order by President Carpenter. Roll call noted present: Trustees Hughes, Chivers, Hughes, Schultz, Mochel and Werten. Absent none.

The minutes of last regular and adjourned meetings read and approved.

Reports of superintendent of water works, village collector and village treasurer read and ordered placed on file.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the clerk be instructed to write the Ingersoll Sargent Drill Co. that air compressor is being held ready for their instructions for re-shipment.

Claim ordinance No. 47 providing for the payment of certain claims was then read and was as follows to-wit:

White & Williams	\$ 9.10
Metz & Mochel	57.64
Glove Light & Heat Co.	12.43
Sam Hoffert	19.25
James O. Dixon	3.50
Bert C. White	4.85
F. A. Brode & Co.	20.99
N. Lawson	3.45
J. W. Sucher	3.55
Louis Eisworth	2.10
W. Lawrence	3.80
E. G. Gibbs	7.25
G. F. Hawkins	28.79
J. W. Rogers	9.00
Wm. Devereaux	29.40
J. D. Fowler	70.00
J. J. Lorr	14.05
F. J. Keeler	35.00
M. Sinsler	35.00

Farmer's & Merchants Bank, bonds 10 and 11 of special series 2, with interest from Nov. 3, '96, to Jan. 1, '97, to be paid from special 1st installment

Farmland Mortgage & Debiture Co., bonds 1 and 2 of special 2 series, less int. of 25 cents on each bond previously paid Oct. 2, '96, to be paid from 3d installment special 2

Farmland Mortgage & Debiture Co., Bond 9, special 2 series, less interest of 25 cents previously paid to 2-28-96, to be paid from 3d installment special 2

It was regularly moved and seconded and carried that said claim ordinance No. 47 be put upon its passage.

Those voting aye were Trustees Hughes, Schultz, Mochel, Werten and Chivers. Nays none.

A petition for a street lamp to be erected on Prairie avenue between Chicago and Chicago avenues was read and upon motion was referred to the street and alley committee to report at next meeting.

The following resolution was then read: Whereas the extension of the water mains in Lane place under special assessment No. 5 is now completed, the same application due for superintendence and reimbursement for cost, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the sum of \$25 be and the same is hereby transferred from 1st installment, special 5 and the sum of \$40 from deferred in said ordinance, special 5, to be paid from the 2d installment of said indebtedness.

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that said resolution be put upon its passage.

Said resolution was then put upon its passage and carried. Those voting aye were Trustees Hughes, Schultz, Mochel, Werten and Chivers. Nays none.

The following resolution was then read: Resolved, that the amount of thirty nine (39) cents being the amount now to the credit of the fire fund be and the same is hereby transferred to the general fund and the said fire fund is hereby discontinued.

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Fire Marshal Blanchard reported that he had examined smoke stack at place situated on trial street by the board in response to communication from Jonas W. Tucker and found said same, fully 25 or 30 feet higher than any building in the vicinity. It was moved and carried that the report be accepted and clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Tucker of action taken.

The matter of continuation of Curtis street being brought up, Mr. Sinsler reported having seen all parties concerned, but their not being present at the meeting, further time was granted.

The plumbers license having expired, Mr. Blanchard presented application for renewal of his license. It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. Blanchard's application be granted with the understanding that same expire with end of fiscal year or payment of proportional amount for one year.

The clerk was instructed to notify Bert Hawkins that his plumber's license has expired.

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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, 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

GROCERIES

PURE BUCKWHEAT.

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

GENUINE MAPLE SAP

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.

NASH BROS.

FIRE SALE!

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.

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 offering.

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.

Bateman and Dalbey

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