DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

FOURTEENTH YEAR. DOWNERS GROVE, DuPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1897. NUMBER 9.

WITH THE COUNTY FATHERS.

INTERESTING SESSION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

CHAIRMAN BARTLETT GETS A BOOM.

The Board at its Regular March Session Says Nice Things About Its Democratic Chairman.—Minutes.

The board of Supervisors met in special session Monday, March 1st pursuant to the call of the chairman of the board. The board was called to order by Chairman Bartlett. All members present except Supervisor Betts of Naperville. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Supervisor Blodgett that the matter of assessment of the city of Wheaton, against DuPage county for widening south Railroad street, amounting to $278.25, be referred to the states attorney with instructions that the same not be paid. Carried.

All bills and communications on file were read and referred to committees.

Moved by Supervisor Hammerschmidt that communication of J. L. Dillie, in regard to a certain assessment be laid over until the next meeting of the board. Carried.

Moved by Supervisor Hammerschmidt that Dennis Minihan, now confined in the county jail, be taken before the county court now in session, and tried as to insanity. Carried.

Moved by Supervisor Hammerschmidt that petition of Aug. Blecke for license to keep a dram shop at Woodale, Ill., be referred to the license committee. Carried.

Moved by Supervisor Bender that board adjourn until 2 o'clock. Carried.

The following report of the committee on fees and salaries was read and upon motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt, was adopted.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee on fees and salaries would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them, and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts to the several claimants, to-wit:

C H Hoy, sundries as per bill	$23 40

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. D. BARNARD, JOHN CHRISTIE, } Com.

The following report of the committee on claims was read and upon motion of Supervisor Christie, the report was adopted:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee on claims would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them, and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts to the several claimants to-wit:

J W Nicholson, constable fees Minihan	$ 6 00
H W Vanderhoff examination of Minihan	5 00
D Sturgeon, witness fees Goodrich case	1 25
N E Matter, coroner fees Conrad Dreyer	11 00
Cole & Guild, merchandise as per bill	4 30
Chicago Telephone Co, Telephoning	1 85
Art Lyons and F T Kline, painting	43 42
Wheaton Electric Light & Water Co	10 50
Knisley & Veldham, repairing roof	1 00
Callaghan & Co, III Ap Reports Vol 56	3 50
H F Lawrence expense to Ottawa	7 66
Jas McClintock, same	14 58
Jacob E Bender, same	15 50
Geo A Fischer, same	15 50
C D Bartlett committee work	58 90
C H Blodgett, asst superintent	114 60
Natl Board of Fire Underwriters	11 25
J H Bradley, 6 wood wheels for valve	1 20
Chas Carpenter, Stenographer	22 63
T M Hull, expense to Springfield	30 30
P F Pettibone & Co, sundry stationary	58 84
A Mc S S Riddler checking clerks books	60 00
Frank E Ayers same	66 00
L E DeWolf Justice fees various cases	17 70
J H Ashley, deputy sheriff fees	29 72
A L Hamilton, stationary and proceeds	53 25
C R Gorham attending court	16 91
D W Thoma livery hire	18 00
Geo Horner, Typewriting	3 50
C D Bartlett, service in Zacharias case	22 20
C H Hoy, as bill	193 23
Chas Fox, Justice fees Beach etc	10 60
J W Nicholas constable fees same	8 70

We also recommend the bill of Prof. Morgan be approved. All of which is respectively submitted.

JACOB E. BENDER, FRED ANDERMAN, GEO. A. FISCHER, } Com.

Moved by Supervisor Hammerschmidt that finance committee be instructed to check up the books of all the county officers and report to the board at their next meeting. Carried.

The following report of the license committee was read and upon motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt, report was adopted.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the board of supervisors.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition of Aug. Blecke to keep a dram shop in the town of Addison, County of DuPage and State of Illinois, would beg leave to submit the following report on matters before them.

We have examined the petition presented by Aug. Blecke and believe that he has the required number of petitioners legal voters of the town of Addison. We therefore recommend that the county clerk be directed to issue to the said Aug. Blecke a license to keep a dram shop for the term of one year upon the payment to the county treasurer the sum of $500.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. B. BLODGETT, JACOB E. BENDER, GEO. A. FISCHER } Com.

Moved by Supervisor Barnard that the matter of painting the rafters and woodwork under the roof of the court house with fireproof paint, be left with the building committee.

The following resolutions were read before the board, and upon motion of Supervisor Blodgett were unanimously adopted.

Wheaton, Ills., Mar. 1st, 1897.

Whereas, Hon. Chester D. Bartlett, chairman of the board of supervisors of the County of DuPage and State of Illinois, is the chairman of the board of live stock commissioners:

And Whereas; He has served upon the said board of live stock commissioners with marked distinction, and to the entire satisfaction of the people of the State of Illinois:

And Whereas, The people of said state, and particularly the people of the County of DuPage, without regard to political affiliations, regard said Chester D. Bartlett as peculiarly qualified for the duties incumbent upon the members of said board of live stock commissioners, and his re-appointment to such position by his excellency, Gov. John R. Tanner, would be unanimously approved by the people of DuPage county: Therefore, be it

Resolved, By the members, (exclusive of said Bartlett) of the board of supervisors of DuPage county, that it is the unanimous opinion and wish of said members that his excellency, Gov. John R. Tanner, of the State of Illinois, shall appoint at the proper time the said Chester D. Bartlett as a member of the board of live stock commissioners of the State of Illinois, and that such appointment will receive the unanimous approval of the people of said DuPage county, as well as the approval of the people of said state generally. Be it further

Resolved; That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Hon. John R. Tanner, governor of the State of Illinois.

Upon motion of Supervisor Christie the board adjourned at call of the chair.

H. F. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

WHEATON.

The fourth semi occasional fire at the home of Lon Schatz occurred last Saturday evening. The boys were throwing their caps, hit a lamp on the table, knocked it over on the floor, burned a hole in the carpet, and smoked and charred the ceilings. Fire alarm was turned in, but before the apparatus arrived the fire was extinguished.

It is with sadness that we chronicle the death of the three children of Fred Manning of Warrenville. During Mr. Manning's absence in the west, Mrs. Manning was staying with her parents at Batavia. The children were stricken with diphtheria in its worst form, and last week Thursday the happy voices were silenced in death, the three dying in one day. Mr. Manning has also been very ill with the same disease, but is recovering.

Henry Eggers has purchased two well-bred blood hounds from the south, which will be trained to track criminals. A pair of that kind of crime detecters in this county will do more to suppress petty thievery than all the laws on the statute books. Had Wheaton possessed such dogs when the Ott murder was committed, how easy the murderers could have been traced to the point where they took the train, and then with the aid of the telegraph, different results might have been obtained. Chicken thieves and their like would also shun a territory where they were kept.

Barney Zacharias and two colleagues were arraigned before Justice DeWolf last Friday. Elmhurst was here in full force to testify against them as promoters of a gambling house. Some of the witnesses refused to answer the questions for fear of incriminating themselves, which was proof positive that they had been doing something of which they feared the consequences. States Attorney Sissser conducted the case for the state in an able manner. No evidence was presented by the defendants and they were bound over to the grand jury, bail being fixed at $1500.

A petition was numerously signed by our citizens, and will be presented to our county judge, asking that an election be called to decide by vote park improvements for our city. The purpose is to form our entire city in one park district, elect park commissioners, purchase for the city for a park all the ground between the railroad land, West street, South Railroad street and the courthouse. The estimated cost is $25,000. With a general tax over our entire city, covering a term of five or ten years, will be no great hardship on our citizens, and will accomplish a necessary and permanent improvement which will be a great benefit to our city and to every resident here. It is quite necessary something in this way should be done, as we are far behind other towns in this respect.—Illinoian.

G. A. R. CAMPFIRE A SUCCESS.

The Grand Army campfire packed the Auditorium to its full capacity last Saturday evening. The occasion was enjoyed alike by the old veterans and their friends. The audience led by Capt. Oscar Knight opened the exercises by singing "America." General J. H. Stibbs followed with one of his pleasing recitations. Of course he was encored and at various times during the evening presented several pleasing selections, in the only original Stibbs manner. Maj. E. A. Blodgett followed in an impromptu speech, which was attentively listened to. Col. Jas. A. Sexton, well known in Downers Grove, made an appropriate address, which was well received. Capt. Knight, during the evening sang "The Sword of Bunker Hill," and his old favorite, "Illinois," and was highly applauded.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the 3rd installment on special assessments No's. 1, 2, 3, and 4, and the 1st installment on special assessment No. 5 for water works, are now due and payable at the office of the village collector.

V. SIMONSON, Village Collector.

EXCURSIONS TO CALIFORNIA.

Through tourist sleeping cars for California leave Chicago at 10:30 p. m. every Wednesday via the Burlington. These cars are in charge of a conductor who goes through to the end of the route looking after the comfort of the passengers. For full particulars enquire of G. H. BUNGE, Agent.

..Local and Personal Paragraphs..

Additional local news on fifth page.

Munyon's Remedies at Bush & Simonson's.

Lennox soap—3 cents per bar, at Thompson's.

Mertz & Mochel sell the Pocahontas smokeless coal.

To-night occurs the much talked of German of the dancing club.

G. R. Earnest is contemplating a trip south or west in the near future.

E. M. Gallup of Joliet called on his friends in the village over Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Piltz, of LaGrange, visited her father, Mr. Boulderbuck, Tuesday.

Rev. E. S. Stucker of Chicago will occupy the Baptist pulpit Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Black of Chicago visited with the family of Jack White over Sunday.

Washburn-Crosby's Gold Medal—best patent flour made—sold by Mertz & Mochel.

George Hewitt, a business man of Aurora, made us a pleasant call Tuesday afternoon.

Choice confections, in fancy packages at Bush & Simonson's, fresh from the factory every week.

Glenn Edwards attended a ball given by the ladies of the A. O. T. at Turner Hall, Chicago, last week.

Miss Jean Estabrook returned to the city this week. Her departure is deeply regretted by a host of friends.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Williams, on Wednesday, March 3, a boy of average weight and strength of lungs

Mr. H. H. Osgood of Chicago moved into the Oldfield house, corner of Curtiss street and Belden avenue, this morning.

The new feather machine is one of the best inventions that ever came to Downers Grove. The boys have all the work they can do.

For Rent—New modern cottages at East Grove, with two, four and five acres of ground. For particulars apply to D. G. Graham.

I offer for sale my grocery—a complete stock—together with fixtures—all up-to-date and a bargain.

W. H. BARNHART.

Chas. Mochel and wife, left Tuesday for their southern trip. They will visit relatives in Vandalia, St. Louis, and other points in Missouri before going further south.

The father of F. A. Marcy, who is well known in Downers Grove, dropped dead at his home in Sandwich last Tuesday. Heart failure was the cause of his demise.

The Kosciuscko Polish Republican club, No. 1 of Gostyn, has been incorporated without capital stock. The incorporators are Stanislaus Berens, N. Patryk and others.

Bert C. White has reconsidered his decision not to be a candidate for village clerk, and at the earnest solicitation of many friends will be a candidate for that office.

Parties having desirable vacant houses to rent will do well to list them with us. We have a number of clients who are anxious to secure good houses.

HUGHES & GALLUP.

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To-day in Washington are occurring the ceremonies incident to the induction into office of a new president, and under whose administration the people of these United States confidently look for a return of the prosperous times of the Harrison administration.

An illustrated pamphlet has recently been published by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R., giving complete information about the farm lands of Nebraska. Copies may be had without charge upon application to P. S. Eustis, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.

The meeting of the candidates for tee postmastership plum of Downers Grove, convened at the village hall last Friday evening. There were no absentees. A. L. Palmer was elected chairman and Lee E. Singleterry was elected secretary. Nothing of a definite nature regarding setting a date for the election to decide the fortunate gentleman who will be recommended for postmaster, was accomplished. The time was consumed mainly by outsiders wrangling over whom should be considered eligible to vote at said election; also as to whom should be considered eligible candidates. The meeting adjourned until tomorrow evening, Friday, March 5th, at the same place and time.

Colville for groceries.

Crockery given away at Thompson's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graves visited Sunday in Glen Ellyn.

H. I. Snyder came out this week as a candidate for village clerk.

Rev. A. E. Saunders, of Chicago, was in Downers Grove, Monday.

Finest bread in town, fresh every morning, at Mary S. Diener's.

Did you see those "Search Light Matches" at Nash Bros.' store?

Figs, dates, oranges, bananas, etc, fresh and nice, at Thompson's.

Lee Stanley has not been able to attend to his work in the city, the past week.

Mrs. Wright, of Fenton, Ills., is with her daughter, Mrs. Will Colville, at present.

A few choice bargains in damaged goods can still be found at Bateman & Palmer's.

An experienced nurse wants confinement cases. Address Miss Wilms, care J. D. Fowler.

The Fortnightly Club will meet in the Congregational church, Monday evening, March 8th, 1897.

If in need of a sewing machine don't fail to call on Mertz & Mochel and get prices before purchasing.

Archie Cole came out from the city, Saturday evening, and visited with his cousin, A. E. Cole, over Sunday.

FARM FOR RENT:—A farm of 160 acres. Part of fall plowing done and some manure hauled. Barn room for 20 cows. Inquire of D. G. Graham.

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

Thompson is giving an opportunity for all to secure gloves and mittens at less than wholesale price. The whole stock will be reduced in price to suit yourself.

Bush & Simonson are selling large quantities of their "Sarsaparilla, with Iodide of Potassium" at 55 cents per large sized bottle. All who have used it call for it.

Township Collector F. J. Prentiss has been notified by the county treasurer to force collections of all personal property taxes. Taxes must be paid on or before Saturday, March 6th.

Bateman & Palmer are now prepared to supply their customers with nice fresh goods at the old popular prices. New goods are still arriving and the stock is now as complete as ever, with new and fancy goods.

Hazel Rando celebrated the eighth anniversary of her birthday last Saturday evening. She was assisted by sixteen young people of about her own age, and there was a time of feasting and gladness at the Rando domicile. Her presents were numerous, valuable and appropriate.

Owing to the present struggle in Cuba it is next to impossible to procure Havana cigars of any merit, and this will be the case for some time to come in all probability. Pipe smoking has consequently gained great favor among smokers. Bush & Simonson have put in a stock of 150 kinds of choice mixtures.

Mrs. W. H. Edwards, Mrs. D. G. Graham and Rev. H. H. Rood, attended the Fox river club of Congregational churches at Batavia, last Tuesday. There was a large attendance. A splendid dinner was served by the ladies of the Batavia Congregational church and distinguished speakers entertained the audience.

Mr. Elbert Marion Blanchard of Chicago and Miss Adah Smith were happily married Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Emma Smith by Rev. Geo. C. Moor. The groom is a well known former resident of Downers Grove, having lived here most of his boyhood days. The bride is the second daughter of Mrs. Smith and is a charming young lady. A host of friends wish the young couple all the joys and blessings of married life.

Episcopal church—St. Andrews Mission. On every Friday during Lent there will be two services—bible class at 4 p. m., and evening prayer with sermon at 7:30 p. m. The first of these services will be held at the chapel on Friday, March 5th, and the rector earnestly requests the attendance of every member of the Mission and others who may feel so disposed. Services on Sunday next as usual. Sunday school 2 p. m., evening prayer with sermon at 3:15 p. m. All are welcome. Wednesday evening, March 10th, 1897, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Seymour, of Springfield, will visit the Mission and administer the rite of confirmation. The service will be held at the chapel at 7:30 p. m.

SCHOOL NOTES.

The B class underwent their Plane Geometry test Monday morning.

The measels are playing havoc with the attendance in some of the rooms. What next?

Louie Biedelman and Fred Tousley were visitors in our school one day last week. Also Lily Devereux, class of '96.

The kind words uttered by so many in regard to the success of the recent entertainments are duly appreciated by us all; especially gratifying are the comments made by "ye editor" in last week's REPORTER.

The Physics class is at present struggling with the hard subject of electricity. With the apparatus now in our possession, with what will soon be at hand, they will be able to master the subject thoroughly.

At this writing, Miss Sweet is unable to be in school. We hope that her health will soon be restored so that she may resume her duties. In her absence Miss Mary Nourse of the senior class "wields the birch" in No. 1.

Next Saturday is the time for the regular county teachers' meeting at Wheaton. A good programme has been arranged for, and, no doubt, the Downers Grove schools will be well represented at the meeting. Our teachers are usually at hand, we are told.

At the recent school entertainments a girl's dress of green woolen material disappeared. It was used for a special costume, and, no doubt, was picked up unintentionally with the belongings of someone else. Should anyone know of its whereabouts, its return to the superintendent or one of the teachers would be considered a favor.

The school has purchased the Poole Lumiere which Prof. Richards offered for sale. This is a very useful piece of apparatus and can be used to great advantage, not only in the scientific classes, but also in the studies of the lower grade. We will soon be in possession of a fine collection of apparatus thanks to the good people of Downers Grove.

Mr. Blodgett of the board of education and County Superintendent Morgan spent an entire day last week in the different schools of our town. In a school speech in one of the rooms, Prof. Morgan spoke very highly of the work he observed during the day. He assured us that in his judgment the schools were in a splendid condition, and the work done of a high order. Mr. Blodgett agreed with Mr. Morgan's views of the schools and promised to make a speech the next time he visited us. Come again, gentlemen.

HINSDALE.

Miss Mason of Aurora, has been engaged permanently as the principal of the Hinsdale high school. Owing to illness she was unable to assume her position until Wednesday.

Street numbers are bound to come and several of the merchants have already placed their respective numbers on the front of their buildings. This is an excellent example for the resident to follow and every house should have its number before the first of May.

L. Briggs who has been circulating a petition among the Fifth street property owners for the improvement of that street by paving, reports that nearly all the frontage has consented. There is a divided opinion as to the nature of the pavement, some desiring macadam and others cedar blocks. The favorite pavement and the one that will unquestionably be chosen is vitrified brick.

The night school still flourishes and the attendance remains very high, although there are only fifty pupils in attendance at present. The fact that fifty men and women, who are working during the day, are willing to spend three evenings a week in the pursuit of knowledge, speaks well for the laboring element of Hinsdale and the progressive spirit of the village. It will be remembered that when the school started there were over 100 pupils enrolled, but as is the case with all similar enterprises, many deserted the school after the novelty was gone. Those who have stood by the school are persons who really desire learning, and to them is due the warmest praise.

The concert given by the Chicago University glee club, Thursday evening was attended by nearly 500 people and the local managers netted a good sum from the affair. While the concert was not equal to the one given by the club here two years ago, it was an extraordinary entertainment. The singing was beyond comment and the only criticism was that there was not enough of it. Owing to delay in some of the members arriving and several being compelled to remain at the 'varsity, the program became confused and several of the best numbers were omitted. The pleasantest part of the evening was the dance that concluded the affair.—Doings.

MEET WITH A FULL BOARD.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES IN MONTHLY SESSION MONDAY EVENING.

IMPROVENTS OF STREETS DISCUSSED.

Voted to Open Curtiss Street Through to Maple Avenue.—Various Matters of Minor Importance Considered.

This is what the village board did at its regular meeting last Monday night:

Approved the reports of collector, treasurer, and superintendant of water works.

Passed claim ordinance No. 49.

Referred petition for a sidewalk on the south side of Warren Street, between Main and Highland avenue.

Referred a petition of A. J. Bennett to operate a 600 light electric plant, on North side.

Referred plat of Wallace subdivision that was filed for record.

Rejected bids for building foundation for the air compressor.

Referred application for street lamp on south Main street.

Granted petition for street lamp on Prince avenue.

Discussed briefly street improvements.

Voted to open Curtiss street to Maple avenue.

Adjourned to meet Monday, March 15th.

Every member of the village board of trustees responded to his name at roll call last Monday night—an almost unprecedented occurrence.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved. Reports of superintendent of water works and village collector were read and accepted.

The treasurer's statement was approved and showed the following items: Balance on hand at last report, $2203.88; received since, $2857.96; expended, $2042.32; present balance, $3021.52.

Claim ordinance No. 49, providing for the payment of various claims, was passed.

A petition from residents of the north side, praying permission for A. J. Bennett to operate a 600 light dynamo, for the purpose of lighting residences in that district, was presented. Mr. Bennett was present and stated the object of the request was to operate a plant from his residence, at the corner of Franklin street and Saratoga ave. He also stated that that no poles would be placed in streets. Upon motion of Trustee Wetten, the petition was referred to the improvement committee to investigate.

Bids were opened from H. H. Woolfersheim and A. F. Heidelman for building the foundation for the new air compressor at the pumping works. In view of the fact that neither bid covered the points of the specifications, the bids were rejected. The matter was referred to the water committe to prepare specifications and let the work at once to the lowest bidder.

The plumber's bond presented by H. F. Hawkins was laid on the table, and the clerk directed to notify him to make application for license, accompanying same by the necessary fee.

An application for a street lamp on South Main street, near the stand pipe was referred to street and alley comittee.

The street and alley committee reported favorably upon the application for a street lamp on Prince street, between Chicago and Prairie avenues. Upon motion the request was granted.

Trustee Bunge recommended some action being taken toward improving Main street, and the east end of Maple avenue, from the bridge to Main street. He proposed putting on gravel or crushed stone on the latter, and scraping the accumulated dirt off Main street, when he thought, there would be found underneath, sufficient gravel to make a good thoroughfare. There is in the street fund about $600 that can be used for this improvement. The matter was discussed at some length, but no action was taken.

In the matter of opening Curtiss street through to Maple avenue, the committee reported favorably. The conditions are that the village will open the street and build a sidewalk on the south side thereof, providing the property owners interested will execute the necessary deeds to the land, grade the street, and build approaches to the bridge on Curtiss street.

The board adjourned to Monday evening, March 15th, to consider and pass the revised ordinances prepared by the village attorney and ordinance committee.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given of the fifth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers and Merchants bank of Downers Grove, Ills., to be held [illegible] March 13, 1897, in the directors' room of the bank, at 2 o'clock p. m., to hear the reports of its officers, elect directors, and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. W. H. [illegible]

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

I will be in Downers Grove to collection of taxes every [illegible] Saturday, and in Hinsdale every [illegible] day and Wednesday. [illegible]

F. J. PRENTISS, [illegible]