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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.

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

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These Flours are Equal in Every Respect.

Additional Local.

Seasonable fruits and vegetables at Thompson's.

A full line of student's stationery at Bush & Simonson's.

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

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

Lent began yesterday. Easter occurs Sunday, April 18th.

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.

Genuine New York buckwheat at Nash Bros. Guaranteed pure.

James Dixon is the latest entry in the race for the postmastership.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Tope returned from their southern trip this week.

Thomas Costello of Naperville, was here Friday looking after his property interests.

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

Miss Nellie Drake of Plankinton, So. Dakota, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. E. Williams.

Miss Clara A. Mason has been quite ill the past few weeks, but is now slightly improved.

An order of Forerresters has recently been organized at Lacey, with splendid prospects for its future.

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

H. C. Hoff of Chicago, was in the village Saturday on business connected with his property interests here.

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

Mrs. Henry W. Douding and children of Hannibal, Mo., are visiting with her sister, Mrs. D. K. Foote, this week.

Mrs. L. J. Burnett and daughter, Miss Nettie, are visiting her son, Harry L. Burnett, in the city this week.

Nash Bros. are selling an extra fancy solid packed canned tomato for 30 cents. Best article in the market for the money.

The balance of Thompson's stock of gloves and mittens will be sold at less than wholesale price. An early visit will secure the choicest bargains.

Residents of Warrenville have signified their willingness to aid in the construction of a feed mill at that place. So far \$600 is at the disposal of the projector.

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.

For all purposes—Wool Soap—it is non-shrinking, floats and does not curdle the water from the mains. Bush & Simonson have a large stock which they are selling 3 or 6 cts. for 25 cents.

County Prohibition conference will be held in the Wesleyan church, Wheaton, beginning at 11:00 a. m., on Thursday, March 18th. There will be a grand basket dinner of prohibitionists and their families.

Rev. H. H. Rood, Mrs. W. H. Edwards and Mrs. D. G. Graham attended the quarterly meeting of the Fox River Valley Congregational club at Batavia, Tuesday. Rev. Rood visited his father in Sandwich before returning.

Ed. F. O. Swisher was out from the city Saturday looking up a residence for his family. He will move here about the first of April and will occupy the Oldfield house at the corner of Curtis street and Belden avenue.

Barr Bros. desire to announce that they are prepared to saw your wood with power saw, anywhere at any time. They also wish to state that they carry a full line of fire-wood, sawed any length, or split ready for stove; also in cordwood length. Prices reasonable.

Mrs. C. H. Hartman and Mrs. E. T. Vore entertained the choir of St. Andrew's mission last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Hartman on Foote street. Music and dancing, followed by refreshments was the order of the evening, and all present had a very enjoyable time. The decorations were ferns and flowers.

The C. B. & Q. R'y will sell harvest excursion tickets on January 5th and 19th, February 2d and 16th, March 2d and 16th, April 6th and 20th, May 4th and 18th, 1897, to all points northwest, west and southwest at one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip. For full particulars apply to G. H. Bunge, agent C. B. & Q. R'y.

The indoor ball game at the Auditorium last Friday night resulted in a victory for the Naperville team by a score of 23 to 19. The fortunes of the local team, so far, is similar to those of the outdoor club last summer and the football eleven last fall. Not a game have they won thus far and the season will very likely close with their standing at .000. Better results could hardly be expected with the little practice the boys receive.

HAVE STRUCK IT RICH.

Miners and Business Men Excited Over the Discoveries in the Black Hills.

Ragged Top, the new Black Hills gold camp, on the Spearfish branch of the B. & M. R. R., is producing some wonderful "finds." Black Hills people are very much excited over the recent discoveries and say it is a second Cripple Creek. The remarkable thing about this district is that it shows on the surface no indications of being a rich mining field, and has been passed over scores of times by experienced miners who never dreamed of its richness.

A typical mining camp has sprung up there within the past few weeks, and people are rushing in from all parts of the Black Hills district. There are said to be good openings at Ragged Top for a bank, bakery, a shoe store and furniture establishment. Two new towns have been laid out and buildings are being erected as fast as the limited facilities at the disposal of the inhabitants will permit.

It is predicted that with the opening of spring there will be a great rush to this new country, which promises such wonderful results.

VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS.

Downers Grove, Ill., Feb. 1, 1897.

The regular meeting for the month of February, 1897, called to order by President Carpenter.

Roll call noted present Trustees Wetten, Bunge, Schultz and Mochel.

Absent, Trustees Hughes and Childers.

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

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

Claim ordinance No. 48, providing for the payment of certain claims, was then read and was as follows, to-wit:

M. Shuster	1.00
F. J. Keweenaw	30.00
J. D. Fowler	20.00
W. H. Mertz	5.00
J. D. McVean	1.00
George C. Barr	11.40
F. A. Brink & Co.	46.20
Bush & Simonson	6.25
V. Simonson	12.00
Bert C. White	5.15
Globe Light & Heat Co.	12.00
Fred Jackson	1.00
The Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill Co.	100.00
Farmland Mortgage & Debitment Co. bond	100.00
12 of series 2 of special assessment 1 to be paid from ad valorem special 2	800.00
It was regularly moved and seconded and carried that said claim ordinance No. 48 be put upon its passage.	
Claim ordinance No. 48 was then put upon its passage and carried. Those voting aye were Trustees Bunge, Wetten, Mochel and Schultz. Total 4 nays none.	

The matter of street lamp to be erected on Prince avenue, between Prairie and Chicago avenues, was brought up and upon proper motion was referred back to the street and alley committee to report at next meeting.

Upon proper motion board adjourned. BERT C. WHITE, Village Clerk.

LATE LITERARY NEWS.

The most intensely interesting people of the world just at this moment are the millions of famine and plague stricken India. But little is known of this region by the people of the United States. Such reports as come to us are the things seen through British glasses. What has been the effect of British rule in India? Why this terrible famine? Why plagues? Julian Hawthorne has been sent by the Cosmopolitan Magazine to India to obtain answers to these questions at first hand and depict them as the situation appears to an American. The March Cosmopolitan contains the first of what is probably the most important series of articles ever presented in this magazine. Nothing has been published which gives an adequate idea of the larger operations of business—at least nothing by the class of men fitted for such work by thorough familiarity with the subjects of which they write. The article in the March Cosmopolitan on "The Methods of Banking," by the president of one of the largest banks of New York—a man of widest business experience—former Postmaster-General James—is one which every person, however humble his clerkship—or high his place in the financial world, will find interesting and instructive. This series will constitute a very complete course of business training, and every young man just entering business life will alike find it of immense value.

CALIFORNIA SEEDS AND BULBS.

One package each of the following seeds and bulbs will be sent by mail to any address on receipt of one dollar and ten cents: Heliotrope, Lemon Verbena, Lady Washington mixed, Geranium mixed varieties, Smilax, Lavender, Fuchsia, Abutilon, fern leaved Acacia, two Calla Lily bulbs, two Maderia vine bulbs, one Freesia bulb and one Chinese sacred lily bulb. Six of the above collections will be sent for five dollars. Home Garden, P. O. box 197, Oakland, California.

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Hand Picked Roasted Peanuts, 10 cents per pound
New Fard Dates, 10 cents per pound
Extra Fancy New L. L. Figs, 15 cents per pound
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