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Gold  
..Medal Flour..



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

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

Mertz & Moebel.

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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Also Best Grades of Hard Coal

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

Lower Figures Than Ever Offered Before

Good Bread

Is the Staff of Life.

To make it you need

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 & Moebel.

These Flours are Equal in Every Respect.

Additional Local.

Clean up your yards.  
If you wish fence of any sort go to Brode's.

The best bakery goods at Rang's bakery.

Walter Wells was on the sick list last Sunday.

W. Bradbury is suffering with rheumatic trouble.

Editor Merrill of the Hinsdale Doings called Monday.

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

Mrs. J. W. Nash is visiting relatives in the old home in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lee, of Chicago, visited here last Sunday.

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

Note the new advertisement of Woods & Son in this issue.

F. A. Brode & Co. sell axle grease that gives good satisfaction.

Frank C. Hewitt, of Aurora, gave us a pleasant call last Saturday.

Genuine New York buckwheat at Nash Bros. Guaranteed pure.

Excavation has been begun on the basement for the Oldfield building.

Capt. Wm. Blanchard and family are moving to the village this week.

A. R. Heckman is moving into his handsome new residence on Curtiss street.

Messrs. Chas. Hinds, Briggs and Thayer, were over from Hinsdale Saturday night.

Three new members were publicly received into the Congregational church last Sabbath.

C. R. Caldwell and wife left Thursday for an extended visit in California and other western points.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kostrozski, of Chicago, formerly of Gostyn, transacted business here last Thursday.

Fred Collier has rented the Venard flat on Highland avenue and will move here. He now resides in Riverside.

Charles Mattox has returned from his winter visit in Maryland, and is at his old headquarters at Capt. Rogers.

I have some good houses to rent in eligible locations at from \$8.00 to \$20.00 per month. D. G. GRAHAM.

For sale at a bargain—Chambers' Encyclopedia in ten volumes, as good as new. Call and see them. Exchange Office.

Geo. Cross has rented the Paige house on Grove street and with his sister, Mrs. Law, will occupy it in a few days.

We missed a view of the airship last Sunday, but a glimpse at some elegant Easter hats more than compensated for the loss.

Rev. Mr. Crouse has located his home in East Grove. His parents live there and also his two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Worley and Mrs. Skinner.

Miss Mabel E. Pattison has returned from Rockford, and will now make her permanent residence at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Pattison.

Victor Fredenhagen, Jr., is so far recovered as to be able to attend to his business again. He has improved in health wonderfully in the past month.

Dr. M. L. Kensington, the eminent specialist, will visit Downers Grove every Saturday and may be seen at Miller's hotel. See his ad in another column.

The only first class bakery in the Grove is Rang's, where you will always find a fresh line of bakery goods at the lowest price. Goods delivered to all parts of the city.

A reliable girl would like a situation to do general house work in Downers Grove—North side preferred. For particulars address Mrs. F. W. C. Hayes, 4334 Ellis Ave., Chicago.

LOST:—Saturday, April 10, a lady's gold pin, on the way to the depot from corner of Franklin street and Lincoln avenue. Finder will be rewarded upon returning same to the above address.

Owing to the energy and good taste of Miss Susie Edwards and Louise Palmer, the decorations at the Congregational church last Sunday morning were very fine and appropriate for the Easter service.

FOR SALE:—A second-hand Mason & Hamlin organ; in first-class condition. To those wishing a superior instrument at a ridiculously low price, this is an opportunity not to be neglected. Inquire of James Crawley.

A large order of the celebrated Neenah ladies' and misses' shoes has just been delivered at Thompson's. The line consists of the latest things in black, tan and ox-blood, button and lace, and range in price from \$1.79 to \$2.45. Ladies are invited to call and examine our stock.

The C. B. & Q. R'y will sell harvest excursion tickets on January 5th and 19th, February 2d and 16th, March 2d and 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 people of this community recognize the fact that F. D. Lindley made one of the most efficient and capable presiding officers of the board of education that the district ever had. The same also applies to the retiring member W. B. Towley, as member and secretary of the board. On last Monday evening the members of the board adopted an appropriate resolution as to their appreciation of the valuable services of the retiring president and secretary.

Postmasters have received notice from the postoffice authorities at Washington, insisting that people sending letters through the mails should have their return cards on the envelope. Fully one-half of the letters sent to the dead letter office are letters that have no return card on them. If matters continue in this wise, it will, doubtless, be made compulsory, and letters will not be received for transportation unless a return card is stamped, written or printed on one corner of the envelope. Every person can afford to have printed envelopes.

Among our other accomplishments is that of officiating at marriage ceremonies by virtue of our office as police magistrate. We have taken a pardonable pride in our skill and gracefulness in adjusting the nuptial knot on occasions where two hearts are supposed to beat as one. But we cannot hope for much business along that line, since one of our pastors has adopted a scheme which evidently beats even two hearts. His plan seems to be to put in an appearance at the scene of the proposed festivities twenty-four hours in advance, in order, apparently, to head off envious rivals in his line. That method takes more time and "cheek" than we can spare.

On last week Monday night three valuable horses were stolen from the premises of H. C. Middaugh. No clue as to the identity of the thieves was to be found, but with the aid of Detectives Kelly and Kisselburg of the Central police station, Officer Nicholson succeeded in recovering the horses and capturing the thieves, two colored men named Henry Taylor and Charles Patterson. When arrested they protested their innocence, and at the preliminary hearing, Thursday, refused to admit their guilt in the face of condemning evidence. Numerous amusing incidents occurred during the trial, keeping the crowd in laughter. Taylor and Patterson were bound over to the grand jury under bonds of \$1,000.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Miss Dewey Wheeler is again one of our number, and trains with the eighth grade. Welcome Dewey!

The annual school supper is to occur on Friday evening, April 30. Particulars will be given later on.

The A class have begun their review in arithmetic, also the Rand C classes have begun zoology and the D class composition and botany.

Much of the apparatus for the laboratory has arrived. We will soon have an excellent laboratory and one of which any high school may justly be proud.

The pupils of our school, refreshed by a week's vacation, have again returned to school prepared to finish up the work yet remaining. This is the time when our true grit is displayed; therefore let us not drop out just because we are tired, but let us stay until the last day of school.

HOME TESTIMONIALS.

Regarding Dr. Kensington's Abilities as an Expert Specialist.

Naperville, Ill., March 16, 1897.  
I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. M. L. Kensington to those requiring the services of a physician. He honestly completely cured me of a severe case of granulated eye lids. He is a gentleman of integrity and a physician of ability. J. A. KENYON.

Naperville, Ill., March 16, 1897.  
Dr. M. L. Kensington removed from my nose and throat a polypus or tumor, which I now have in a glass bottle, preserved in alcohol. It stopped up my nose so I have not been able to breathe well or get air through my nose for over three years. I am now able to breathe well and am perfectly satisfied with his treatment. Dr. Kensington is a skillful physician. I take pleasure in recommending him to my friends. JERRY FRALEY.

The doctor has cured others of deafness and many other diseases in Naperville.

NEW MUSIC.

We have received from Flanner's Music House, Milwaukee, Wis., two new compositions: "Dancing Snow Flakes"—a polka by Edward Holst, and a beautiful ballad, "Lucile," by Chas. Horwitz. New catalogues mailed free. All sheet music sold at half price. Flanner publishes a music folio containing 31 complete pieces of music, of which 10,000 copies have been sold. It will be mailed free to any address for 50 cents.

Searchlight matches at Nash Bros.

By Its Record of remarkable cures Hood's Sarsaparilla has become the one true blood purifier prominently in the public eye. Get only Hood's. Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. 25c.

Spring Head  
and Footwear.

MEN'S HATS:

FEDORAS—A good hat for \$1.00. Better one's at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00. All stylish and the latest ideas.

DERBYS—New shapes and colors, \$2.50 and \$3.00—none better.

Men's and Boys' Caps:

Men's Caps at 25c, 35c and 50c. Boys' caps at 25c and 50c. We have bargains in this line that are—bargains!

SHOES:

We have a new and complete line of the celebrated DOUGLAS SHOES—Latest toes and lasts, in tans, oxblood and black. The prices are on the shoes, and are well known.

LEATHERSTOCKINGS

(Not leather, but wear like leather.)

Black Cat brand, for boys and girls. The best and cheapest article for schoolchildren because they are nearly indestructible and always look well. Sizes 6 to 9 1/2. 25 cts.

Men's cotton half hose. 2 pairs 25c. Men's socks, cotton, 2 pairs for 25c, and others at 10c; 3 pairs 25c. Ladies' black hose, they're good, 25c.

NASH BROS.

500,000 People in this country who are using



SHAMROCK  
FLOUR

Say: "Shamrock is the best flour we ever used." Try it—you will say the same.

For sale by W. H. COLVILLE.

W. J. Herring,

Carpenter  
and General  
Contractor



Contracts taken for all kinds of building work. Estimates furnished.

Downers Grove, Ill.

OREGON FRUIT AND FARM  
HOMES COLONY.

An Illinois colony is being formed to settle on Grain Fruit and Dairy farms in the famed

Wilamette Valley of Oregon.

Fruit Orchard Tracts from 5 acres up. Grain and Dairy farms, sizes to suit. Lands gently rolling, Soil very rich, Timber and Water abundant. Winter is so mild grass is green and flowers bloom every month in the year. Within sixty miles of Portland, with 100,000 inhabitants, and the best market on the Pacific coast.

Join The Colony. For full particulars address

OREGON FRUIT AND FARM HOMES COLONY,  
Germania Life Building, St. Paul, Minn.

Or POWELL, HOWORTH & DEE, McCoy, Oregon.