#### MAKE IT ATTRACTIVE.

Paint the Water Works Stand Pipe a Color that Will Give it Distinctiveness,

One of the features of attractiveness of the village of Downers Grove is the water works stand pipe. It is one of the prominent points of interest to the new comer, and the commanding position it occupies, makes it the most striking object from any point of view in the village.

The water committee of the village board of trustees, to whom was referpipe at tde last meeting of that body, it is said contemplate covering it with a coat or two of plebian red or black paint. This is wrong. When the pipe was erected the then board of trustees expended an extra amount—some \$300 structure unlike the common run, and placed thereon the handsome cap that surmounts it, afterward painting it an attractive color.

of the village" by painting it black or red, merely to save a few paltry dollars. Should they persist in following out their proposed line of action in covering it with a dull color, our handsome tower becomes at once like thousand and one similar structures, and will be a blot on the landscape which it would otherwise ornament. Take the towers at LaGrange and oth er suburban towns, which are painted red or black, as example. They resemble nothing so much as huge factory smokestacks, with no distinctiveness whatever.

Downers Grove doesn't want her tower to present such an appearance Paint it any color but red or black. Make it attractive.

#### SCHOOL NOTES.

The "A" class were examined in Physics Tuesday morning.

Geometry test Friday morning.

The high school and eighth grade are busy now-a-days, during the time given for singing, in preparing choruses for commencement

Some unusually neat spelling papers were shown us a few days ago. It was the regular work of some of the Maple avenue school pupils,

School closes Wednesday, June 9th. The eighth grade exercises will occur Tuesday evening, June 8, and the high school graduating exercises Thursday. June 10.

building has, during the day, much the The ear is prepared to fill the soul with the auspices of Banner Rebekah Lodge, appearance of a bicycle warehouse, melody. Teaching notes without any at the I. O. O. F. hall in Central block.

The teachers of the Maple avenue school are chuckling over the neat and tidy appearance of their school rooms, halls, etc. They say they would not ing nature's methods. Large move-"swap" janitors now with any school, Good for Tommy.

A large dynamo has recently been purchased by the school for the laboratory. It was listed at over a hundred dollars, but through the instrument ality of Mr. Jewell, a former pupil of Prof. Rassweiler, we purchased it for the small sum of \$20. This is a great bargain, as the machine is a line one and was much needed by the school in the science room.

# THE NEW BICYCLE CLUB.

The bicyle club completed organization last Thursday evening at the office of W. E. Farrar. They adopted a constitution and by-laws and elected officers for the coming season. There were sixteen cyclers enrolled as charter members and other wheelmen are joining the ranks almost daily, until the total membership now numbers over twenty-five. The boys are earnest and a progressive club which will be a benefit to its members and a credit to the town will likely result from the organization.

The officers elected are as follows: President, Lee Stanley; vice president, Chas, Hall; secretary, Lynn Wheeler; treasurer, W. E. Farrar; captain, Mark Root.

# BOYS' BRIGADE HAVE UNIFORMS

The uniforms for the Boys' Brigade have arrived and the boys are, to say the least, extremely happy now. The suits are blue, and are very neat in apshade than the coat, and have a white stripe running down the side, while the cap is of the regulation soldier style so dear to the younger generation. The brigade, under the leadership of F. E. Mayer, the manager, attended the Congregational church last Sunday morning, in a body, and presented a fine appearance. The boys are certainly to be congratulated upon their enterprise and progress.

#### THE CHILD STUDY CONGRESS.

[Continued from last week.]

The afternoon was given to a discussion of Child Study. That Child Study carries with it such enthusiasm means also some lack of wisdom. If has been of greatest value to persons making the study, and promises to do much toward restoring the use of common sense. One great thing it has done and is doing. It calls attention to the fact that the chies end of life is to have and rear good children. To have made such an aim possible to red the matter of painting the stand minds hitherto blind to the fact means

Statistics show that the number of children in foreign families is increasing, while in American families they are decreasing. This can only mean race degeneracy. The neglect of the -in order to have an ornamental children of this age by their parents must forever remain a stain upon this page of our history. The family was once supreme. It must again be exalted to that high place. Next to the Sunday. Now the committee propose to take family stands the church and school. school must degenerate.

Health is one of the chief objects of child study. The Hebrew idea of health was wholeness or holiness. Education must give the child health, reverence, religious frame of mind, or it is a failure. Nature is the supreme teacher. Science as it is commonly taught conflicts with a child's love of nature. Compare the child's ideas of the moon, ideas born of loving interest. with the schocking account science gives of that planet. The hard facts of science should long be kept in the background. Let the child's natural leathers. tendencies have right of way. We must affections first. To this end a sympathetic acquaintance with nature is Choice stock and fine. essential. It is the serious task of the teacher to lead the child's conceptions of nature, its personified ideals along the rough, hard paths of science, gent- to. ly and without shock. "Myth and The "B" class will have their Plane science, religion and love, do not conflict. They are part of one great, beautiful whole.

It is the emphatic conclusion of science that work through the body is most effective in reaching the soul. It has been proven, "the line of least resistance," to that end. This fact makes of every home a life saving station. It repeats the demand for special training. No rough material which can be thrown away if spoiled, awaits our touch. The impression made today can not be effaced to-morrow. Nature indicates the steps from start to finish. The common method of teach-The lower hall of the North school ing music suggests a common mistake. and the number of riders is constantly previously acquired store of melody is Thursday evening, May 27, at 8 o'clock, er cleaner and a little elbow grease Vocal solo. like teaching the child to read words before he has learned to talk. For the same reason drawing should precede writing. Nothing is gained by reversments go before small in the been prepared. natural order. Large general views must precede studies in detail. Astronomy is a sublime science calculated to give the mind vast sweeps of thought. The measuring of the sun's position at a given place at noonday, as was required daily for six weeks by a certain superintendent, is a belittling detail

that destroys the larger conception. Specialization in teaching is coming into much favor. A teacher with an enthusiasm for a given subject arouses interest. Without interest, nothing lives. So, too, the elective system slowly filtering down through university, college and high school. The individual mind must have its own fair chance. Child study aims to secure that chance for him. It must work quality of his workmanship and there largely through the public school. How far it shall succeed must depend upon the attitude of parents, both toward the public schools and toward child study. MRS. M. SLUSSER.

# THOUSANDS SPENT IN BICYCLES

"Do you know the amount of money expended in bicycles in this village?" asked a prominent resident of the south | church; its possibilities; its early hisside, Monday, "Well, there are between two and three hundred wheels urged to be present, and five hundred families. Let us say there are three hundred wheels, for in gelical St. Paul's church desire to exmany families several are possessed, tend thanks to the people of this viland at an average cost of forty-five lage and vicinity who contributed todollars, the approximate value of ward the success of their fair, recently Downers Grove steeds of steel is thir- held at Thompson's hall. Special teen thousand five hundred dollars. thanks are given to Mr. Wm. Straube Astonishing, isn't it? Yet people will for his exceedingly liberal donation, complain of hard times." The re- which was a source of great revenue to pearance, consisting of a coat, trousers porter pondered over the informa- the church. and cap. The trousers are of a lighter tion and ejected the monosyllable.

# DOG TAX NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the an nual dog tax is now due and payable and must be paid on or before June 1st or all dogs not licensed at that time will be shot. By order of the village board. BERT C. WHITE, Clerk.

Money to loan, from \$300 up, on good real estate security. Exchange office in college

# Beststatetstatetstatetstatetstatetstatetstatet ..Local and Personal Paragraphs..

White Rose gasoline, Nash Bros. Onion sets and tops at Thompson's, Additional local news on fifth page.

torium to-night. The picnic season at Burlington Park | Peoria last week.

opens next week. A. R. Heckman transacted business

in Rockford last week. For fine bakery goods leave your order with Mary S. Diener.

Get your lawn fertilizer and easy running lawn mowers at Brode & Co,'s. If you want posts of any kind go to Brode & Co. They have just unloaded

F. D. Benham of Northwestern University, visited with H. P. Jones over

away the distinctiveness of this 'pride Without the cooperation of parents the in second hand gasoline stoves. Mertz & Mochel.

A nice variety of bedding plants for sale at wholesale prices at C. S. Foote's greenhouses,

Bateman & Palmer and Brode & Co. have new ads this week which will prove interesting reading.

Don't fail to call and get our prices on refrigerators and ice chests before buying elsewhere. Mertz & Mochel.

High-class ladies' and misses' shoes at Thompson's, at low-class prices. The latest lasts and toes in the fashionable ora.

Thompson's for seed potatoes. study to mould, guard and fortify the have Wisconsin Burbanks, Early Ohios, Beauty of Hebron and Early Rose.

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

Today is a legal holiday in South Carolina-the anniversary of the signing of the Mecklenburg declaration of Each sister is a prodigy in her art. independence which event occurred

A brother of tieo, S. Foster is visiting here. He resides in Michigan. His son, C. B. Foster, is an operator on the Burlington and makes his head-

Mrs. J. B. Moss and children went to Morris last Wednesday for a prolonged visit of perhaps two months or longer. It is hoped she will return with her health completely restored.

A grand entertainment, given by the world-renowned Peake Sisters, under

The Qdivision of the Chicago C. E division will hold a missionary con vention in the Naperville Congrega tional church, Friday evening, May 21 at 7:15. An interesting program has

Services will be held in St. Joseph's Catholic church in the near future. is not known as yet who will be in charge. A young man will probably be sent, and the ordination of new priests will not occur until early in

That lawn of yours will soon need your careful attention. If you are not supplied with a lawn mower we would like to call your attention to those we are handling. We have them ranging in price from \$2.25 to \$5.50. Mertz &

Dr. A. W. Morrow is building up at excellent practice in Downers Grove Our citizens appreciate the splendid fore freely patronize him. He is here in his office over Carpenter's drug store every Tuesday and Friday.

A special service of the Epworth League will be held at the regular hour for preaching service next Sunday evening. Interesting papers will be read on league work; its relation to the tory. All are invited and all Leaguers

The Ladies' Aid of the German Evan-

Attorney W. L. Pond of DeKalb county, has received the nomination county judge to succeed Judge Bishop resigned. We enjoyed a pleasant visit from Mr. Pond last summer when he was here visiting old acquaintances. the Heckmans and Straubes. He is a genial, interesting conversationalistexcellent man for county judge. His election is assured. He cures. Get Hood's and only Hood's, and A. R. Heckman were classmates

# National Light oil at Nash Bros.

Crockery given away at Thompson's. W. C. Bartle was employed in Hins-Don't forget the concert at the Audi- dale this week.

A. J. Hobart made a business trip to

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

Wall paper cleaner at Carpenter's Central block drug store.

issue should be read by everybody.

all kinds and none better. They will of the "air ship," a cordial reception holder. Roy Millett succeeded in se-

reenhouses.

Thompson is furnishing wheelmen

M. L. McMains is here from St. Louis visiting his sister, Mrs. J. I. Rounds, for a few weeks.

Craig's Pennsylvansia gasoline burns best, burns longest and is more econ-

omical. Try a can. 74 degrees test. Go to Wells' for sewing machine re- fourteen 2 x 4 inches, and numerous pairs, needles, oil and fixtures of all smaller ones. kinds. The only place for good work.

Rev. J. F. Heilner, formerly pastor of the Baptist church here, will deliver the oration on Memorial day at Aur-

It is reported that one of Downers Grove popular North side business men will lead a charming young lady to the altar in a few weeks.

Misses Maggie and Mary Budd and Miss Rosalie Healey of Millbrook, Ill. visited a few days at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. C. L. Sharp.

The Peake Sisters will appear in our beautiful village May 27. Positively their last appearance in America,

R. M. Hevenor and W. E. Farrar are new advertisers this week. They are after your patre tage in their respective lines and they deserve it. Read what they say.

The corner stone of the new St. Andrew's Episcopal church will be laid on Trinity Sunday, June 13th. Bishop McLaren of Chicago will conduct the ceremonies,

kept lawns and shady drives than any dered by local talent, assisted by many town on the Burlington. She is the from abroad. The numbers are as folpeer of all the suburbs and an ideal lows: place for a home.

Thirty-live cents worth of wall papwill clean the wall paper of an ordin- Piano soto ary sized room as clean as when new You can find the former at Carpenter's Central block drug store.

I have a good improved Texas farm to exchange for Downers Grove residence property. The farm is under good cultivation, rents for cash rental, and has been occupied by the same tenant for a number of years. D. G. Gra-

Several young men are now aware of the existence of a real live bicycle or dinance. It hardly pays boys to get gay. Better obey the law while it is in force and try to have it amended, rather than butt up against a stone

When we were in Plano last week we called in at the News office. We found Bro. Adams and his assistants before Justice Graham Monday night up to their eyes in work-advertising and job work. They reported the Kendall County News and its subscription list in a healthy condition.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Andrew's Mission will give a strawberry and ice cream festival at the home of Mrs. W. S. Waples on Franklin street, next Wednesday afternoon and evening. A sale of fancy articles will also be a feature. The occasion is a benefit for the church building fund.

Mrs. John Brown gave her sister. Miss Edith Atwood, a pleasant surprise last Friday night, before leaving for her home at Vandalia. The evening was spent in various amusements after which supper was served. Miss Atwood was presented with a handsome lamp as a token of remembrance from her many friends here.

The Northwestern university quar tette of Evanston, gave an entertainment at the Auditorium last Saturday evening, for the benefit of the young people's societies of the various churches. The audience was rather small but select, and the entertainment was exceptionally fine. A small sum was realized to the societies.

People Believe what they read about Hood's Sarsaparilla. They know it is an honest medicine, and that it tood's Pitts cure all liver ills, re-

## PLEASED WITH OUR VILLAGE.

H. E. Rounds, editor of the Rogers Park News-Herald, who called in Downers last week Monday, has the following to say regarding his visit:

writer stopped at Downers Grove for lars, as a result of their church fair a short time and was very favorably given in Thompson's hall last Thursimpressed by the place. The late Mr. day evening. The affair was in the Downer evidently was a man of good usual nature of church fairs. There judgment, as evinced by his selection were articles innumerable for sale and of a farm and home site lifty or sixty the public was expected to contribute, years ago. It is now a village of about which they did, handsomely. Refresh-2,500 inhabitants and a nice one, too. ments were served, consisting of ice We made a brief call at theoffice of the cream and cake. Reporter and found the proprietors-Bateman & Palmer's new ad in this Messrs, White and Williams-both test for the fine parlor organ which "sticking" type." Upon learning that was donated by Wm. Straube and which Leonard's bulk seeds at Thompson's, we were from Rogers Park, the home was to be awarded to some lucky ticket was given us, made doubly so from the curing the prize. Among other ar-A nice variety of bedding plants for fact that Mr. White is a brother of Mrs. ticles awarded, U. G. Elliott secured a sale at wholesale prices at C, S. Foote's P. E. Holp, and has been here several rare wax plant. times to visit the family.

We have a few good bargains to offer with a nice bicycle shoe at a very newsy paper shows that they are evi- hand, will be sufficient to purchase a dently the right men in the right place, building lot for a church building. As and that the business men there appreciate their efforts and patronize chase of the lot are completed, buildthem liberally. The paper is fairly ing operations will be commenced. well filled with home advertisements, two of them each occupying an entire column of space, another one twothirds as large, six others 4 x 4 inches,

"Downers Grove is well supplied with churches, no less than seven being located there; and evidently is also a great place for "j'iners." There is a Masonic lodge, Odd Fellows' lodge and encampment, Grand Army post, A. O. U. W. lodge, M. W. A. chapter, K. of P. lodge, O. E. S. chapter, and Royal League council. Also two loan and investment associations and a ladies library association.

"The train service is good."

#### TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT PROGRAM.

To-night at the Auditorium occurs the concert for the benefit of St. Joseph's Catholic church chapel furnishing fund, mention of which was made in the REPORTER last week. Those in charge of the affair look for a large attendance. Quite a large number of tickets have been disposed of and the indications are that the house will be packed. The tickets sell for 25 cents, with children's admission at 15 cents. A superior program of vocal and instrumental numbers has been arranged. which will be interspersed with read-Downers Grove boasts of more well ings and recitations, and will be ren-

> Misses Mary Crawley and Marie Johnson Miss Marie Johnson "Blow, Blow, Thou Winter Wind." Mr. Arthur Turnbull Misses Addie House and Ella Wetzler

Solo Selected Miss Ada Dorothy Harrington Dialect recital. Miss Dolores McCarty.

Messrs, Clark, Edmonds, Murchie and Cadwell Misses Doris and Gertrude Fraenkel Recital "How Salvatar Won" Miss Dofores McCarty Messrs, Clark, Edmonds, Murchie and Cadwell

# GET A CHEAP LESSON

Ed. Zarn, Will Lawson and H. H. Hubbard were arrested Sunday evening ingly. by Officer Kearney for not complying with the bicycle ordinance requiring an alarm to be sounded on the approach of cross streets, and for riding at a horse wanting a record," and it is a faster gait than seven miles an hour over crossings. They were arraigned at which time H. H. Hubbard was discharged, Zarn and Lawson had their cases continued until Wednesday night when, considering that this was their first offense, they were fined two dollars, which was remitted by President Bush, during their good behavior.

# WORK BEGUN IN EARNEST

Active operations have been commenced on the new Oldfield building. and Contractor Herring states that by next week a large force of men will be employed. The erection of this building will act as a sort of stimulus to office of county judge. Sawin may get other building operations in the vil- a little free advertising out of the nome lage. The fact is there has not been ination, but after the rotes are countfor many years a time when a building | ed in June, he won't know that an elecof whatever description, could be erect- tion had been held. Democrate as ed so cheaply as at present. Building republicans alike throughout the counmaterials were never so low, and it is ty favor John H. Batten, and m a wise man who avails himself of the democrats at the convention wanted to opportunity.

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# GERMAN FAIR A SUCCESS.

#### Ladies' Aid Society Clears Over Two Hundred Dollars Thursday.

The Ladies' Aid society of the German Evangetical church was enriched "Returning Monday from Aurora the to the extent of over two hundred dol-

The amount secured by the society "A glance over their bright and together with the amount already on soon as the negotiations for the pur-

#### GETS A SMALL JUDGMENT.

Young Drover sued Geo. Robmer in Justice Graham's court Friday, for \$95.00 claimed to be due him for balance of wages. It appeared that Roh-. mer had hired the lad for a year, conditional upon his abilities to perform his labor in a satisfactory manner. This he failed to do and Rohnter discharged him. Drover brought suit to recover the wages for the balance of the year. Judge Graham awarded the plaintiff a judgment of \$1.62. Attorneys Weltz of Lemont and Goodrich of Naperville were attorneys for plaintiff and defendant, respectively.

## BEST IN THE STATE.

Chas, B. Pfabler of Chicago, state inspector of building and loan associations, was here Tuesday, examining the affairs of the Downers Grove association, and found that institution in excellent condition. He stated that the association here, without exception, made the best showing of building and loan association in nois, a fact which speaks well for the conservative management thereof, Mr. Pfahler highly complimented Secretary Bush upon the carefully kept books and accounts of the association,

# MARRIED SATURDAY.

Miss Hilda Karlson and Mr. John Stockenberger were married last Saturday evening, May 15th, at the residence of the bride's brother, Oscar Karlson, These young people start out in life with the best wishes of many friends, in which the REPORTER joins. will reside in Downers Grove.

# WHEATON.

Mr. Eli F. Stark of the Illinoian and Miss Linne M. Wagner of Naperville are to be married on May 26. They will reside at 312 Maple street.

Judge Brown and J. F. Snyder have dissolved partnership. Circuit Judge Brown will soon have to devote his antire time to the duties of that office and he is trimming his sails accord-

The stalls at the driving track north of town are filled to overflowing with speedy horses. Every stall has "a known fact that the Wheaton training track turns out fast horses, .

J. F. Snyder and W. S. Gary are circulating petitions, respectively, for appointment to the office of master in chancery. Both have largely signed papers and it promises to be a neck-toneck race. There will be no yacancy in that office for about one year, but the early birds are after the plume. S. L. Rathje is also quietly sawing wood and thinks he is on the upper side of the teeter board. Howard H.

Goodrich is also a candidate. Attorney Sawin of Elmhurst was nominated by the democrats in convention assembled, last Thursday, for the endorse his nomination and let it go a

# ALL ABOUT NEBRASKA

An illustrated pamphlet has r been published by the Chicago, ton & Quincy R. R., gieing a formation about the farm lands braska. Copies may charge upon application to P. General Passenger Agent,

Call and examine