

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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DOWNERS GROVE, DuPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1897.

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THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR SEPTEMBER SESSION HELD MONDAY EVENING.

VILLAGE TO HAVE STREET SIGNS.

Officers' Reports Received and Approved—Treasurer Rogers Withdraws Resignation—Various Claims Paid.

Monday was a legal holiday, therefore it was nearly 9 o'clock before all the members of the village board were rounded up and the business of that body was considered. All trustees were present. Clerk White being absent. Trustee Schultz was appointed clerk pro tempore and read the minutes. Later the clerk arrived and assumed his duties.

The reports of the village collector and treasurer were read and approved. The latter showing the following items: Balance on hand at last report, \$5672.53; received since, \$188.00; expenditures, \$1026.09; present balance on hand, \$4834.44.

Claim ordinance No. 57, providing for the payment of numerous claims was read and upon motion passed.

The street and alley committee were instructed to designate the six street lamps which were to burn every night and all night and notify the Globe Light & Heat Co.

Trustee Root of the improvement committee reported he had secured a bid from J. M. Nargney of \$7.50 per hundred for street signs. Upon motion it was decided to procure signs and place two at each street intersection. The matter was referred to improvement committee with power to act.

Hughes & Gallup being represented, offered to supply an additional car of Seaton egg coal at \$2.00 per ton. It was moved by Trustee Schultz and carried that the water committee be instructed to purchase an additional car at the above figure.

Trustee Schultz of the finance committee reported the withdrawal of the resignation of Treasurer Rogers made at a recent previous meeting.

The committee appointed to nominate the new officials required by the special assessment law passed, by the last Illinois general assembly, were instructed to meet at the office of President Guy L. Bush Wednesday evening.

In the absence of further business the board adjourned to meet Monday, September 13th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

A township Sunday school convention for Downers Grove township will be held at the Cass M. E. church next Sunday, September 12th, beginning at 2:30 p. m. An interesting program has been arranged as follows:

Song service
Prayer
Address of welcome..... Rev. E. Schutz
Anthem
Study of the lesson during the week
Mr. Bacon, Hinsdale
How can we inspire our workers with more willingness?..... M. Sussner, Downers Grove
Quartet
Is the Sunday school really educating us in the work of God?..... F. W. Winbolt
Singing in the Sunday school..... Chas. K. Roe
Song
Should Sunday school teaching so far as possible be Evangelistic?
The best form of presenting the lesson so as to cause each to apply it personally..... Rev. H. H. Root

HE WAS CURED.

Enreka, S. D., Dec. 19, 1895.
M. M. Farmer, Gen'l Manager Ayres Remedy Co., Vermillion, S. D.

Friend Farmer:—Yours of 15th inst. received. Many thanks for your good wishes and interest manifested. Am back to work again, doing business at the old stand as usual. Have not thought of taking a drink since my return and am firmly resolved not to indulge again. Found Mrs. Gulin and family all well on my return and much pleased with the result of my "expedition." Am feeling in best of spirits, eat three hearty meals a day and occasionally lunch between times. Found my office business badly mixed up and been working day and night to arrange affairs. However, I am very well pleased with my trip to Vermillion. Am only sorry that while I was there I appeared at my worst and was dull company for anybody. Well, we may meet again and if we do I can assure you the conditions will be different. I will write you at more length when I am not so rushed with business. Again thanking you, I am very truly yours,
J. W. GULIN.

AGOOD LOCATION.

For Rent:—I offer for rent the south store room in my new building now being erected. The building will contain all modern conveniences. Size of store room 22x60 feet. Possession will be given Dec. 1st. Also the entire third floor of building, arranged suitably for hall and lodge room, with ante-rooms and all conveniences. Possession given in September. For particulars address John Oldfield.

FIVE CARS DITCHED.

East Bound Freight Train Wrecked at LaGrange Sunday.

A C. B. & Q. freight train, Chicago-bound from Nebraska, was passing through LaGrange at 3:30 o'clock Sunday morning, when a drawbar on one of the cars broke. In a moment five cars had been piled up 300 feet east of the Fifth avenue depot. Almost before the engine could be stopped the contents of one of the cars had been spilled, and a consignment of 5,000 chickens, young turkeys and ducks set loose in the town.

The car was from Almond, Neb., and in it at the time was Beckett of that town, but this fact was either not known or forgotten by the train crew. While word was sent to Chicago for the wrecking train Beckett's fowls were arousing LaGrange sleepers with their early morning cries, and the streets and alleys of the town soon resembled a prosperous barnyard at feeding time.

By 5:30 the wreck was pretty well cleared up and the employees of the road had worked up close enough to the dismantled poultry car to be suddenly startled by cries for help. It was then daylight and the workmen tore timbers right and left to get at the source of the cries. It took but a short time, and then Beckett was found, closely inclosed, but thoroughly protected from danger, lying at the bottom of the wrecked car. He was taken out, sore and frightened, but not a scratch suggested an injury. How he escaped the man does not know. Nor can he explain how it was that no one heard his constant cries for two hours.

Traffic was delayed by the accident until 10 o'clock in the morning and the loss to the road will be about \$6,000. None of the trainmen were injured.

VISIT THE CANAL.

A party of about twenty-five people visited Lemont and the various points of interest along the canal last Saturday. The trip was made in two carriages and two wagonettes and the route embraced Lemont, Willow Springs, and Summit, and the return journey was made by way of LaGrange. A picnic dinner was enjoyed by the party. The members of the party were Messrs. and Mesdames L. Mertz, G. C. Moor, Arthur Holt, J. W. Worley, Crouse, Jno. Bradbury, Capron Stanley, Fred Lempke, H. Paul, Miss Susan Paul, Mesdames D. O. Cole, John Rutherford, Nellie and David Demming, and Miss Mabel Rutherford.

THEY GOT A SCARE.

Certain Downers Grove long and short men had quite an exciting experience on the river near Lemont one day last week. It is reported that they had been fishing in the Desplaines river with a net contrary to law, and had secured several beauties. Lowering their net they were just preparing for another haul when a farmer from the neighborhood dropped down on the bank near them. Not daring to raise the net they dropped it and fled leaving the fish they had caught, together with their lunch, refreshments and other paraphernalia and returned to Downers Grove.

REGIMENT REUNION.

The 105th Illinois Infantry held its reunion at Sycamore Thursday, with a large attendance of old veterans. One of the features of the day was a fine exhibition military drill by the marching staff of the Daughters of the Globe. Downers Grove has several members of the old regiment, some of whom were present at the reunion.

WANT TO BUY A FARM?

We offer for sale a farm of 230 acres situated in the best farming section of northern Indiana. Twelve acres of timber, balance all under cultivation; large basement barn; six room house; plenty of fruit, apples, cherries, peaches, etc.; stone tool and hen house; good stream of spring water. Farm all well fenced; only a mile and a quarter from good market on the Pennsylvania railroad. Farm now rented for 1897 at a cash in advance rental. Will be sold for half cash, balance on long time at 6 per cent. Full particulars will be given at the REPORTER office.

LETTER LIST.

The following letters remain uncalled for at the postoffice in this village:
Rev. J. Brown, Rev. J. Nobe, Rev. A. J. Morris, N. R. Norton, Mable Marbel, A. W. Anderson, M. H. Allen, Harry Bale, Lou Baremore, Orleana E. Olsen, Helen B. Roberts.

Nash Bros. for school blank books and tablets. Blair's "Signal" series, for pen and ink, 5 cents; the "1492" tablet for pen or pencil, 5 cents. Pencils, penholders, pens, pencil boxes, rulers, crayons. The Blaisede paper pencil, always ready for use. Everything at the lowest possible price for first-class goods.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

White Rose gasoline, Nash Bros. Searchlight matches at Nash Bros. Additional local news on fifth page.

Second-hand stoves cheap at Brode & Co.'s.

Note W. H. Colville's new ad in another column.

The Odd Fellows conferred the initiatory degree last Monday evening.

The best meat chopper for domestic use can be had at Brode & Co.'s.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cross left Monday for a weeks visit at Kansas City.

Call and see us before buying a blue flame oil stove. F. A. Brode & Co.

Remember the charity entertainment at the Auditorium September 21st.

Miss Rollins of Chicago, was the guest of Miss Ina Elliott over Sunday.

Chas. W. Commons and family have moved back to the city for the winter.

David McKee of Boston made a flying visit to Downers Grove the past week.

E. H. Prince transacted business in Plano Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Attorney Welch of Lemont, represented a client in court here last Saturday.

Miss Katie Thurston of Chicago made her aunt, Mrs. R. O. Curtiss, a short visit Monday.

Thompson has a full line of gents and ladies' shoes in latest styles, guaranteed to fit.

We have just received a new line of fall underwear. Prices very reasonable, at Thompson's.

Wanted—A fresh Jersey cow. Address, stating price, lock box No. 315, Downers Grove.

Douglas shoes, new stock, latest fashions. Razor toes at cut prices while they last, at Nash Bros.

Mr. and Miss Hartman and Miss Schottensfeld of Englewood were guests of Mrs. Giddings over Sunday.

Mrs. M. H. Bates of Galesburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. McNaught, while making her fall purchases in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stanley and Mrs. T. S. Rogers returned from their visit at Columbus, Neb., last Monday morning.

Mrs. Celia Ackley of Chicago is visiting her niece, Mrs. E. W. Demming, this week at the residence of R. O. Curtiss.

Mrs. A. M. Smith of Oak Park was transacting business here in relation to her real estate interests in Belmont the fore part of the week.

Mrs. William Beidelman is spending a few weeks with friends in Plainfield. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Martin, of Naperville.

Mrs. Gage, who spent the summer in and near Belding, Mich., has returned to Downers Grove, and will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. C. A. McCotter.

Anyone knowing anything in regard to William Rogers, who formerly resided here, probably about 15 years ago, will confer a favor by calling at exchange office and communicating with D. G. Graham.

W. H. Colville is firmly located in his new quarters, corner of Foote street and Belmont avenue, North side, and announces himself better equipped to handle his business and give perfect satisfaction to all.

W. H. Colville has rented more commodious quarters and will always keep a full line of baled hay, straw, oats, ground feed, bran, and a full line of chicken feed in small or large quantities at lowest prices.

Bring your world's fair views, art reproductions, magazines, papers, etc., to the REPORTER office and have them bound substantially to preserve them. First-class work in cloth, library or full leather. Prices reasonable.

The final naturalization papers of one Jan Salek were found on the railroad track just west of Downers Grove one day last week and were left with the REPORTER to find the owner. Said owner may have same by making application at this office.

Miss Pearl Moss entertained about forty of her young friends at a lawn party last Friday evening. The lawn was nicely decorated with Japanese lanterns, etc., and the little folks enjoyed themselves hugely with refreshments and various amusements.

Grand band jubilee and musical festival at Burlington Park Sept. 17th. Bands from the following places will participate: Rockford, Sterling, Ottawa, Streator, Aurora, Sandwich, Somonauk, Mendota, Earlville, Princeton, Kawance, Galva, Hinckley, Oregon, Yorkville and Millington.

Tin fruit cans at Brode & Co.'s. National Light oil at Nash Bros. Crockery given away at Thompson's.

Thompson has seasonable fruits and vegetables.

Order your stove repairs of the Brode Hardware Co.

Mrs. W. A. Tope visited friends in the city last week.

Mrs. Thomas Lyman entertained friends over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Blanchard were out from the city over Sunday.

Lee Stanley and Gay Earnest rode to Turner on their wheels last Sunday.

Will exchange dentistry for hay or grain. Dr. Morrow, Dentist.

Esquire Winbolt of Cass, attended court in Downers Grove last Saturday.

The P. A. Lord Lumber company is making a special price on kindling wood.

Mrs. VanPatten returned home from Canada with her daughter, Mrs. D. K. Foote.

A nice variety of outing flannels in all the latest stripes and colors at Thompson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roth are settled in their home on Main street, south of Maple avenue.

A car load of slabs suitable for kindling wood at P. A. Lord & Co.'s, at reasonable rates.

Miss Julia Gastfield of Highland Park is visiting at her aunt's, Mrs. C. Hoffert, for a few days.

Mrs. Louise Merkle of Springfield, is visiting the family of her brother, E. Hermann, this week.

Miss Madge Shepard of Mason City, Iowa, spent Sunday with her brother-in-law, Hugh M. White.

Mrs. D. K. Craig received seven prizes for fancy work of various kinds at the Wheaton fair last week.

Chas. McCotter has been spending the past week with his family. He takes in a portion of Ohio on his next trip.

Heavier underwear will soon be in demand. Better make your selections from Thompson's new and complete stock. All sizes.

J. F. Clevinger has disposed of his home in East Grove to V. Fredenhagen and is moving to the city in order to be nearer his business.

R. D. Parker returned from Buffalo, N. Y., last Tuesday evening, where he had been in attendance at the recent G. A. R. encampment.

Don't forget the bloomer social on the lawn at the home of Miss Susan Faul this Thursday evening. Everybody invited. Bloomers for all.

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

John Haas has commenced cutting up hogs and can furnish choice lard in any quantity to his customers. Nice steaks and pork loins are his specialties these days.

Break down No. 5 has now added to the record of that awful tandem of Bush & Simonson. The latest event transpired Sunday—another exploded tire and a few miles walk.

Mrs. M. J. Kenyon took several first prizes at the county fair last week for fine needlework. Mrs. Kenyon's work is exquisitely delicate and has won honors at the Worlds Fair and other expositions.

Geo. Chatfield of Milton Junction, Wis., visited a few days with his sister, Miss Elizabeth Chatfield the first of the week, and together with Miss Cora and Elmer Escher went across the lake to St. Joe, Monday.

C. H. Cushing has disposed of his newspaper, the Hinsdale Beacon, to Wm. J. Clark of that place. Mr. Cushing will hereafter devote his entire time to his Pythian paper and other business interests.

Henry Dibblee, brother-in-law of Marshall Field, took luncheon with Walter Scott Bryan and his niece last Sunday. He spent the afternoon driving over the estate, returning to the city on an evening train.

W. S. Bryan has sold to the American Express Co. that fine young gray gelding "Prince," and was delivered to the new owners Monday. He stood 16.2 hands high and weighed 1325 lbs. There are few better horses on the road.

A three-year-old daughter of C. H. Staads', living on the the North side, is ill with diphtheria. The village health officials have taken the proper restrictions and have quarantined the premises, so there is little danger of a spread of the disease.

DEATH OF WILLIAM BATEMAN.

Occurs Sunday, September 5th—Funeral Held Tuesday.

William Bateman, one of the pioneer residents of DuPage county, died at his home on Maple avenue, last Sunday, September 5th, at the ripe old age of 82 years. His death occurred just two months after the death of his wife, Sarah Ann Bateman, which occurred July 1st.

Seven children, the fruit of their union, are left to mourn his loss.

The funeral services were held at his late home on Maple avenue, at 2 o'clock Tuesday, and interment was made in the West cemetery, Rev. Herbert H. Rood conducting the ceremonies.

William Bateman was born in Wilsbick, Cambridgeshire, England, February 10th, 1815. He was married to his late wife, Sarah Ann Howard, February 18th, 1841, and they came to America in the fall of 1852 and established their home on the farm south of Downers Grove. Here they resided until the winter of 1887, when they removed to the village and made their home until death called them.

BICYCLE RACES AT THE FAIR.

The bicycle races at the county fair grounds last week Wednesday were the most successful in point of time made and enthusiasm shown of any ever held in DuPage county.

The three-mile race, open to all residents of the county, was run in heats, the first two in each heat to qualify for the final and the third man in the fastest heat to also run in the final heat. There were ten entries. In the first squad were Roy Whitson of Hinsdale, W. M. Raffree of Hinsdale, Floyd Farar of Downers Grove, Don Vanderhoof of Wheaton, and Frank Rowe of Naperville. Roy Whitson won the heat in 8:23, with Vanderhoof second and Rowe third. In the second heat of the same race Owen Mink of Wheaton, Wm. Lawson, H. H. Hubbard and Lynn Wheeler of Downers Grove, were the starters, Wheeler winning. Lawson second; time 8:47. In the final of the same race a time limit of 8:50 was placed on the race by the officials, and the line-up was as follows: Whitson, Vanderhoof, Rowe, Wheeler, Lawson.

Whitson in this heat made a show of his field, he going out at the end of the first mile and winning by a quarter of a mile in 7:52, Vanderhoof and Wheeler fighting for second, Vanderhoof winning by a wheel.

In the one-mile sixteen-year-old race Wheeler won easily. All the contestants were over 16 years old.

Jack Frosch of Itasca, paced by a tandem, went a half-mile in 1:55 2-5, which is now the track record for that distance. After the races were all over Roy Whitson went a full mile in 2:15, making a track record for bicycles and horses. He was paced by a tandem.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sharp and family have returned from a very pleasant visit among Mr. Sharp's relatives at LaCarna, O., Cleveland, O., and Burlington, Ont. They stopped off at Niagara and viewed the falls. They returned west via Canada and the Port Huron tunnel.

Frank Patryk has been missing from his home in Gostyn for some time past and his parents are greatly concerned as to his whereabouts. The last they heard of him he was in Hinsdale. Anyone knowing anything regarding the boy will kindly communicate with N. Patryk at Downers Grove.

A large company of Wheaton young people took advantage of the delightful moonlight and good roads last Tuesday evening and drove over to spend the evening with Lula Rassweiler. They had a jolly good time as the young folks from the hub always do when they come to Downers Grove.

"Papa, please turn up the light." "It's no use, my boy, the oil is no good. When our can is empty I am going to try Craig's Emolene I hear so much about."

For Rent—A first-class eight room house, with furnace and water on Fairmount, near Maple avenue, at low rate to desirable tenant; or will sell on easy monthly payments. F. A. ROOT.

Your coffee doesn't suit you. Why don't you let me supply you with my choicest brands of good coffee at reasonable rates? Have all grades and all the best of their class. Tea is also in my line and I furnish a first-class article at reasonable rates. Save your orders. I will call in a few days, or drop me a card and I will call the same day. Yours for business,
ROBERT BUCK.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

The fourth installment on special assessments No. 1, 2, 3 and 4, and second installment on special assessment No. 5 are now due and payable to

V. SIMONSON, Village Collector.

WHEATON AND CASS NEWS.

INTERESTING NOTES FROM REPORTER CORRESPONDENTS.

YOUNG SON OF EDITOR MATTER KILLED

New Officers of Old Settlers Association—Case to have a Township Sunday School Convention.

The meeting of the old settlers association the third day of the fair, seemed to lack the enthusiasm that has been exhibited at former meetings. The constitution was amended so as to admit to membership all who came to the county as late as 1860, and officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, L. C. Cooper; secretary, Wm. H. Johnson; vice-presidents, Addison, Geo. A. Bender; Bloomington, Jacob E. Bender; Wayne, C. D. Hartlett; Winfield, Taylor Warner; Milton, Amos Churchill; York, Wm. Hammerschmidt; Downers Grove, T. S. Rogers; Lisle, S. A. Ballou; Naperville, Willard Scott. It is confidently expected that the officers who were chosen for their executive ability will shake things up so as to make the next annual meeting a howling success.

The youngest child of N. E. Matter, the editor of the Wheaton Illinoian, was almost instantly killed last Friday afternoon by being run over by the oil wagon of Mr. Winbolt, who was driving through the alley near where Editor Matter lives. Mr. Winbolt's attention was attracted to some children who were playing in the alley on the south side, and the little fellow came running out on the north side and ran between the wheels of the wagon. He was struck by the rear wheel and knocked down, the wheel running over him, killing him almost instantly. The funeral was held Sunday and the child was taken to Naperville for interment. Mr. and Mrs. Matter have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.

The walls of the new postoffice building are above the first story. Contractor Hartman has a very ingenious contrivance for hoisting bricks by horse power by the barrow load.

J. Herbert Vallette is about to open an abstract office in Wheaton. It is understood that he uses the books that were prepared and used by James M. Vallette of Naperville.

The attendance at the fair on Thursday and Friday was good and financially the fair was a success and the premiums will be paid in full.

Wm. Fox is putting in a brand new outfit of heavy goods in Mrs. Watson's barn in the rear of the new postoffice building.

The drug store of Lewis Ellsworth is in the hands of an assignee.

CASH NEWS.

Choir practice Saturday evening at the church.

Mrs. Mary Smart was quite sick Sunday evening.

Miss Edith Atwood of Vandalia, spent a few days in Cass last week.

Rev. Schutz went to Evanston Monday to arrange for the next school year.

Mrs. Chivers of Aurora, visited with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Davis, last week.

The commissioners are giving us more gravel roads. Let the work for good roads go on.

Mrs. George Davey and Miss Sophia Kleffel drove to Aurora last week to visit relatives of the former.

School will not begin until next Monday on account of repairing the building. A large attendance is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Oldfield start this week for Vandalia, where they expect to spend a few weeks visiting with relatives.

There will be a fruit social at the residence of I. Cleveland Friday evening, Sept. 10th. A unique program is being prepared. Everyone come and enjoy—the noon.

The school house is receiving a new hardwood floor, for which Mr. Winbolt as well as everyone else who is interested will be thankful. It is to be hoped that the contractor will have a better eye for color than was apparently need in the job on the church.

Don't forget the Sunday school convention which is to be held in the Cass M. E. church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All who attend a meeting of this kind should receive a new impulse to work, as well as a better knowledge of the conditions of Sunday schools and how to meet existing difficulties. Cass will be glad to welcome a goodly delegation from each of the neighboring Sunday schools.

I have a good place for a house \$1,200. Gift-edged and extra ornate.

B. G. GARDNER.