DIED SUDDENLY OF HEART DIS-EASE IN CHICAGO SATURDAY.

### DEATH A GREAT SHOCK TO PAMILY

Funeral Held Tuesday at the M. E. Churc -Interment at Naperville-A Short Sketch of His Life.

Nothing has so stirred this community with sorrow and sympathy as did of Prof. John K. Rassweiler, superintendent of the Downers Grove schools, in the waiting room at the Union demorning, September 18th, while talking pleasantly with his son Ralph.

Ralph and his father left home for Chicago on the early morning train which left here at 6:25 o'clock. Ralph was on his way to attend school at Normal, Ill., and Mr. Rassweiler accompanied him as far as Chicago. They reached the city at 7:15 o'clock and had 45 minutes to wait before the train which would carry the young man to Normal pulled out of the Union depot.

Side by side the couple sat in the waiting room and chatted and in the course of their conversation the father wished his son success during his winter's schooling. Hardly had he uttered these words when he laid his head on his son's shoulder. Ralph thinking his father was tired paid no further attention to his action. Mr. Rassweiler continued to lean heavily on his son and then the young man thought that probably his father had suddenly been taken ill. He spoke to him, but there was no answer. Ralph called for help, but it was too late, for the unfortunate man had succumbed to heart disease and was dead at the time he first fell forward against his son. The ambulance was called and the body was removed to Roiston's morgue on Adams street, where the remains were prepared for their removal to the home in this village. Ralph accompanied the body of his father to the undertaking establishment and fell exhausted on a lounge as soon as he entered the door. When he was asked to examine the contents of his parent's pockets he was unable to walk and was allowed to remain in a reclining position until he regained enough strength to enable him to move.

H. H. Rassweiler, a brother of the deceased, who has an office in the city, was hurriedly summoned and with other friends from the village took charge of the body, which was brought home after the inquest on the train arriving here at 4:05 p.m. The post mortem examination revealed the cause of death to have been heart disease, of which the deceased had been a sufferer for over twenty years,

Kind friends prepared the family here for the terrible homecoming of the one who had left that morning in such good spirits. His son Ralph, in speaking of the awful blow, said:

"My father was feeling good that morning and as we alighted from the train he was in a very happy mood. He said he wished me success during my school term and told me he wanted my sister, who was already at Normal, to write him. Father remarked that morning that he intended to spend the day in purchasing and would return home late in the afternoon."

Miss Lulu Rassweiler, who was at tending school at Normal, was telegraphed to and came home late Saturday evening. Other relatives of the deceased at Naperville and LaGrange were notified and came on the following day.

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The home was besieged by sympathizing and sorrowing friends Saturday and Sunday, who brought messages of sympathy for the bereaved ones and love for one who was more generally loved and deeply respected than any one in the village. His upright character and nature of his public career, together with his other many excellent qualifications, not only appealed to the love of his fellowmen, but commanded their deepest respect. His influence has been felt by all who have come in contact with him, and many have been guided to a better knowledge of the higher things in life through his life and teachings. He is mourned by al the scholars of the school from the lowest grades to the highest. In the Methodist church, of which he was trustee and member and was superintendent of the Sabbath school, there is deep sorrow that he should be called from his field of usefulness. His place can never quite be filled in the hearts of his townspeople, and in vast numbers they showed this by their messages of sympethy and offers of assistance to the bereaved wife and family during their screet hours of

The schools were closed Monday and Tuesday and American flags were float- ing in the winters and attending coled at half-mast on the school buildings. The board of education and the offic-

PROF. JOHN K. RASSWEILER ials of the Methodist church took charge of the funeral arrangements. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at I o'clock from the Methodist church and was the largest ever held in the village, all the business houses closing in respect to the dead man. After a prayer at the house by Rev. Truman R. Green, the cortege moved to the church. The honorary pall bearers were members of the board of education and officials of the church as follows: D. G. Graham, W. M. Carpenter, C. B. Blodgett, A. G Prince, E. H. Nourse, J. W. Worley, E. Wootthe announcement of the sudden death ton, W. J. Herring, Geo. P. Luce, H. W. Morton, Jas. A. Burns, F. R. Mc- has been visiting here this week. Burtie, and F. A. Brode. These walked by the casket. The actual pall pot in Chicago, early last Saturday bearers were the members of this and last year's high school classes and were Paul and Earl Herring, Lynn Wheeler, Rupert Bateman, Maurice Puffer and Irving Heartt. The ushers were members of the alumni and were A. H. Wetten, M. K. Bush, Walter and Arthur Whiffen.

> Children from the schools to the year. number of two hundred in double lines strewed flowers in the way of the casket as it was carried to and from the church, each flower attesting in its

mute way the love of its donor. The music was furnished by the high school pupils and alumni. Following the opening hymn, "Abide With Me." Rev. Geo. C. Moor offered a prayer, after which Rev. Herbert H. Rood read a scriptural lesson. Rev. Truman R. Green delivered the sermon, taking as his text the 8th verse of the 6th charter of Micah, "To do justly, and to love God." This was the character of the man dead before them. Rev. J. T. Ladd of Ottawa gave the closing prayer, after which hundreds viewed the dead body as it lay in state for an hour before being taken to the final resting place in the cemetery at Naperville. There as here the love of the schoolchildren and teachers was shown in their meeting the long procession and scattering flowers in the way. At the grave the ritual burial services of the fell on the remains of all that was week. earthly of one so generally loved,

The floral pieces were many and beautiful. The board of education sent a handsome design, the "open book," with the dates 1976-1897; a "broken column" from the church; an anchor from the deceased's associate teachers, and "gates ajar" from the alumni, besides a handsome wreath and many cut flowers, were among the offerings of love and sympathy.

Numerous relatives and friends from out of town were present at the funeral among whom were Prof. Frost of Hinsdale; C. F. Kassweiler, Dr. J. A. Bell. and Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller, Miss Hattie Miller, of Naperville, relatives of Mrs. Baker of Streator. From Wheaton many friends came; among them Dr. Owen, Prof. R. T. Morgan, N. E. Mat- out the county. ter, A. D. Ayer, Washington Wheaton, Foster of Evanston and many others were here Sunday and Monday.

John Koehl Rassweiler was born in Millersburg, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, Sept. 10th 1852. His parents, J. Philip (deceased) and Anna D. (Haesler) Rassweiler, were representatives of that nationality to which the United States is indebted for many thousands of her best and most prosperous citizens, being natives of Hanover, Germany. The father died at Naperville last year and the aged and feeble mother still lives there. Prof. J. K. Rassweller was the fourth in a family of eight children, two brothers and five sisters, as follows: Prof. H. H. Rassweiler and C. A. Rassweiler of Naperville, Miss Amelia Rassweiler and Mrs. Lizzie Froge of LaGrange, Mrs. Mary Shisler of Gibsonburg, Ohio, Mrs. Joanna Rutter (deceased) and Louise Rassweiler who died in her childhood. The former four were present at the

In 1857, with his parents, our subject came west and settled permanently in Stephenson county, Illinois, Not being in affluent circumstances he worked on the farm during the summers, thus laying the foundation for his remarkable energy and in the winters, when farm labor was not to be obtained, he applied himself to mental improvement with eminent success. His school days began in the country and when at a seasonable age he entered an academy at Cedarville, Stephenson county, where he advanced very rapidly. He set his mind for a thorough education and as his parents were unable to keep him devised every means in his power to reach his aim. He became qualified to teach in a country school at the age of fifteen and took advantage of that vocation, teach-

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# ..Local and Personal Paragraphs...

White Rose gasoline, Nash Bros. Searchlight matches at Nash Bros. Additional local news on fifth page. Thompson has seasonable fruits and

vegetables. Note the new ad of Mertz & Mochel

in this week's paper. The best meat chopper for domestic

use can be had at Brode & Co.'s. Wallace Graham of Ray, Indiana,

Mrs. Lucy Dodge has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Aldrich, here.

Floyd Farrar started last week for Boston where he will attend school. Harvey Brooking of Wheaton, attend-

ed the funeral of Prof. Rassweiler Monday. Misses Stella Dixon and Claudia

Wheeler attend school in the city this The Brode Hardware Co., have a

change in their advertisement this

All kinds of good second-hand heat-Company.

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. Mrs. Guy L. Bush and Mrs. W. H.

Plano yesterday. Special sale of graniteware during this month at Mertz & Mochel's. Call

and notice prices. The best coal for grates and fire-

Mertz & Mochel. A car load of slabs suitable for kind-

ling wood at P. A. Lord & Co.'s, at \$1,600. Gilt-edged real estate security reasonable rates. Those wishing hats trimmed or or-

Methodist church was read and not a dered will please call at Mrs. Court- children's hats in endless vaflety and tearless eye could be seen as the earth right's as early as possible during the at prices that will suit all at Mrs.

> removing ashes from your basement over which we are selling out at cost, get a galvanized steel basket of Brode Now is your chance for a bargain, at Hardware Co. 'Twill do you good. The charity entertainment for the

considerable local talent.

For Rent-A first-class eight room to desirable tenant; or will sell on easy monthly payments. F. A. ROOT.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Davenport visited at land to see the plowing match. They

W. H. Colville is firmly located in Jno. Strickland, and Fred Knowles, his new quarters, corner of Foote street Rev. J. T. Ladd of Ottawa, Mrs. Ella and Belmont avenue, North side, and announces himself better equipped to issue. They are adopting the cash handle his business and give perfect plan of doing business and will sell on satisfaction to all.

> Bring your world's fair views, art will be quoted. reproductions, magazines, papers, etc., to the REPORTER office and have them lous horse Saturday evening, had his bound substantially to preserve them, collar bone dislocated by having the First-class work in cloth, library or full leather. Prices reasonable.

been published by the Chicago, Burling-

don't you let me supply you with my choicest brands of good coffee at reasonable rates? Have all grades and all church will have special services at the the best of their class. Tea is also in Auditorium next Sunday, beginning at my line and I furnish a first-class arti- 10:30 o'clock a. m., in German. Dincle at reasonable rates. Save your ner will be served at 12 o'clock. orders. I will call in a few days, or o'clock p. m. a union English service drop me a card and I will call the same day. Yours for business, ROBERT BUCK.

Miss Anna Dollinger of Wheaton, who for several years taught in the schools here, died at her home Saturday morning after an illnesss of less young people.

By Its Record of remarkable cures the public eye. Get only Hood's Hood's Pills are the best

cathartic and liver medicine, 2

National Light oil at Nash Bros.

Crockery given away at Thompson's Hughes & Gallup- The cash grocers. Order your stove repairs of the Brode Hardware Co.

Bush & Simonson have a good heating stove for sale.

Pullman Wednesday. Miss Ina Elliott spent Sunday with friends at Hammond, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graves entertained friends from Wheaton Sunday. Mrs. Leard has returned from Mich-

igan and will remain here a while. The P. A. Lord Lumber company is making a special price on kindling is connected with a large wholewood,

on Foote street are making low cash able helpmeet. prices.

all the latest stripes and colors at Thompson's,

Mr. and Mrs. Knecht of Chicago, vising stoves cheap at the BrodeHardware ited their daughter, Mrs. F. E. Mayer. over Sunday.

A. R. Heckman made a business trip to Michigan last week, returning Tuesday of this week.

Hughes & Gallup are prepared to furnish pure ice to their customers. Downers Grove. Leave your order.

The nicest way to set up an old stove mercy, and walk humbly with thy Radell rode the former's tandem to is to use new stove pipe. Ask Brode Hardware Co. about it.

> convention will be held in Chicago from Oct. 7th to 10th.

Douglas shoes, new stock, latest every country cross-road. places is Bird's Eye Cannel, sold by toes. Razor toes at cut prices while they last, at Nash Bros.

> I have a good place for a loan of D. G. Graham.

Walking hats, fedoras, sailors and Courtright's,

Mertz & Mochel's.

Board wanted in exchange for paint- lost, stranger." benefit of St. Andrews church, Tuesday ing or lessons. Lessons given in all evening, was a pleasant success. Sev- branches of drawing and painting by tinued his search for Winfield and at eral from the city took part, as well as Margaret Gress, corner of Foote street 6:30 o'clock, after following some very and Gilbert avenue.

Mrs. Horton received the sad intelhouse, with furnace and water on Fair- ligence last Friday, of the death of her mount, near Maple avenue, at low rate sister in Nebraska. She had come from her home in California to visit her parents, and was sick but a few days,

Mrs. Harry Courtright wishes to an-Mrs. J. G. Andrews, at Plainfield last nounce that she has been trimming at Rassweiller, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry week and went on Saturday to Wheat- Edson Keith's wholesale millinery this week, and is now ready to receive her report corn an average crop through- friends and former patrons for fall and winter work.

> Hughes and Gallup-The cash grocers-make their opening advertising announcement on the fifth page of this close margin. Next week low prices

Samuel Hoffert, while shoeing a vic- slaughter of the prairie chicken, as the horse throw him with great force against the wall of his shop. The ac-An illustrated pamphlet has recently cident will cause him to lay off for a

formation about the farm lands of Ne | ton are spending their vacations in a braska. Copies may be had without tour of the eastern states, via the Burlin great plenty this fall and at first charge upon application to P. S. Eustis. lington. Their itinerary includes Nia- they were remarkably tame. But they General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill, gara, the Palisades, Greater New York, Your coffee doesn't suit you. Why Baltimore and Washington, and other

The German Evangelical St. Pauls with all the churches of the village participating will be held. The Evangelical churches from Lace, Hinsdale and Naperville will join in the day's

The Boy's Brigade will give an enthan a week's duration. Coming on tertainment next Tuesday evening. the position of superintendent of Duthe same day as the sudden demise of The talent will be first class, and you Page county poor farm. All appli- troubled with constipation, indigestion Prof. Rassweiler, whose assistant she will miss a rare treat if you are not had been, her death seemed doubly sad. out. Talent is as follows: Miss Mil-A large number of her former pupils dred S Purington, soprano of New York; 2d day of October, 1897, at 9 a. m. Ad- Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and health will and friends from here attended the Mrs. Minnie Hassett-Beckwith, reader dress all applications to H. F. Law- be restored to you. Trial sizes 16c. funeral at Wheaton Tuesday. Her fu- of Emerson college of oratory, Boston; ture seemed bright and full of promise Karl H. Meyers, organist at St. Mary's and her presence will be sorely missed church, Aurora; John Hartwell Staples both in her home town and here where baritone, formerly professor of music she labored so perseveringly for the of Columbia college. By request Miss Susie Edwards will repeat the selection given at the patriotic exercises of the promises to be the best. Tuesday even- for our dear husband and father, w log, Sept. 28th, at 7:45 o'clock sharp in tender our most sincers thanks the Baptist church.

DREES-TENNEY NUPTIALS.

Quiet Home Wedding held at the Bride's Home Last Wednesday Evening.

A pretty and quite home wedding at the A. L. Tenney homestead southwest of Downers Grove last Wednesday evening, united Miss Ella T. Tenney and John H. Drees of LaGrange, Rev. Truman R. Green performed the ceremony which united the lives of the happy couple, at 7 o'clock before the immediate friends of the family and a few in-Mrs, D. G. Graham visited in West vited guests. After a wedding luncheon had been served the young people left on an early evening train on journey to the old home of the groom in Ohio. They will be at home to their

friends after October 1st at LaGrange The bride is one of Downers Grove's estimable daughters and was a prominent worker in the Methodist church of which she is a member. The groom sale house in Chicago and is to be con-Hughes & Gallup-The cash grocers gratulated in securing such an ami-

The REPORTER joins their many A nice variety of outing flannels in friends in extending good wishes. the wedding those present were Rev. and Mrs. T. R. Green; Mr. and Mrs. Tenney of Hinsdale; Mr. and Mrs. S. Hawk and Mr. and Mrs. John French of LaGrange; Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Taintor and Miss Effie Prentiss of Chicago; Misses Hattie Suydam and Alice Hayer of Leland; Miss Mabel Pye of Northfield, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Squires and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. P. Luce of

#### WASN'T ACQUAINTED THERE.

One of the leading society young men of the village thinks that the road The Illinois state Christian Endeavor commissioners of DuPage county should be prosecuted for criminal negligence in not erecting signboards at

> In company with a friend he rode to West Chicago last Sunday morning. While enroute he was much smitten by the charms of a Winfield damsel, who so entranced him that he left his companion and a good dinner at West Chicago and hastened back, his mind filled with thoughts of his fair enslaver.

For five long hours he wound his weary way over the dusty country If you are beginning to worry about We have a few gasoline stoves left roads and at last came to a village. With eager tones he halled a passer, "Is this Winfield?" "Naw," came the reply, 'this is Wheaton. You must be

With a dogged determination he concontradictory directions from farmer boys, brought up at the York Center windmill. Here his courage joined his temper which he lost a mile or two out of Wheaton and he meekly turned his wheel toward Downers and pedaled home with weary timbs and a heart lacerated by the thought that his toot sy-wootsy was still hanging heavily over the gate-post waiting and watch-

When at last his tired head struck the pillows in the silent watches of the summer night he felt about one-half as Gay as when he began his Earnest firtation with the buxom milk-maid on the Winfield pike.

CHICKEN LAW EXPIRED THE 15TH.

Last Wednesday was the first legal state law making it illegal to kill them expired on that day. The little feathery birds of prey took it wherever a Nimrod was fortunate enough to land-in the wing, the neck, the shoulder or the hip. It didn't matter so long as some ton & Quincy R. R., giving complete in- X Frank A. Willard and Ed. Hunting- of the small globular masses of lead collided with them. The chickens are soon discovered where they were at and what the harvest was and then recovered themselves of their genuine old family hustle. The farmers say it was continuous skirmish since the first hours of Wednesday morning. It was bang, bang, bang all day long from all manners of fire arms, such as the rifle, shot gun and musket. Many old hunters put in several days at the sport and came in with full game bags.

## NOTICE FOR APPLICATIONS.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that applications will be received by the county clerk of DuPage county for cants must be married men. Said ap- or any form of stomach trouble re plications to be on file by Saturday, the member to take home a bottle of Dr rence, county clerk. Wheaton, Ill.

J. E. BENDER. Chairman Poor Farm Committee.

A CARD.

To all our kind friends who have, in word and deed, so abundantly proved Hood's Sarsaparilla has become the Fortnightly club. The boys always their deep sympathy for usin our great one true blood purifier prominently in give a good entertainment and this one beceavement, and their loving regard MRS. M. E. RASSWEITER AND CHILL

# WILL SURVEY FOR SEWERS

VILLAGE BOARD VOTE TO HAVE AN ESTIMATE MADE.

# ALYORD & SHIELDS TO PREPARE PLANS

Will Furnish Maps, Plans and Estimates and Submit Same to the Board by the First of October.

The village board met in adjourned session Monday evening, and acted favorably on the report of the local board of improvement recommending the apropriation of \$150.00 to pay for a preliminary survey and estimate for a separate sewer system for the village of Downers Grove.

President Bush, Clerk White and Trustees Root, Schultz, Hughes and Mochel were present. Mayer and Barr were absent.

The improvement committee have

had the matter of sewers under consideration for some time, and Monday night Chairman Root reported they had sufficient data to put the question before the board of the advisability of having a preliminary survey and estimate made of the probable cost of sewers. Trustee Root reported that Messrs. Aivord and Shields of Chicago, the engineers who designed and built the waterworks system here, have agreed to prepare preliminary plans and maps for a sewerage scheme, giving an outline of location and size of sewers required, an estimate of the cost thereof and a description of method of assessing its cost against the property within the village, and giving the approximate cost per front foot of property as it should be assessed according to the benefits derived. This is to be done by the engineers, Messrs. Alvord & Shields, by means of maps and drawings illustrative of the scheme. They will also prepare an estimate for paving the creek and location and design for the

mate cost of same. These plans and estimates will enable the board to lay before the property owners the figures for the cost of sewerage for the village of Downers Grove and give them sufficient data and a foundation on which to base a petition for such a newerage system.

filter beds required and the approxi-

The engineers expect to have their plans and estimates ready to report at the October meeting of the board of trustees.

In connection with the sewer matter, Trustee Root read a letter from Chauscey A. Castle, a basiness man of Quincy, regarding the separate sewerage system at the soldiers' home located in that city. The letter stated that the system had been installed in that institution for a number of years and had given the very best satisfaction.

After a motion was carried to request the railroad company to erect storm sheds over the north platform at the depot in accordance with its agreement to do so when a new platform was built, the board adjourned.

## INJURED AT POOTBALL

Ernest Smith, the right halfback of the Downers Grove football eleven, was severely injured Saturday afternoon while engaged in a practice game.

He attempted to make a touchdown but was tackled by Lynn Wheeler and in the mix-up his right fibula was broken and the ankle bone shattered, Dr. W. A. Tope set the injured limb and Fred Briggs conveyed the wounded hero home, where it is needless to add he will remain for some weeks-a warning to all aspiring youths who look for

fame on the gridiron field. Downers Grove has been unusually free from such sad casualties. Until about a year ago "Rugby" was a thing unknown to the village, but the long haired enthusiasts have effected an entrance and unless a damper is speedily put upon this brutal sport we may expect again to join in the sad refrain: "Another unfortunate gasping for breath; five yards he tried to maketrampled to death. Pick him up anyway; what makes you stare? It's only a football flend, with thirteen-inch

# A GOOD MEMORY.

A good memory often saves money and also good health, If you are doses 10c) large size 50c and \$1.00 of W. S. Carpenter-

# LETTER LIST.

The following letters laimed at the postoff Mrs. Louis Bicknell. loon, Mary Jac Fred Webster, Mrs.