#### TRAPP WILL CASE SETTLED.

CIRCUIT COURT DECIDES IN FAVOR OF THE TESTATOR.

#### **CLEARLY SHOWN THAT TRAPP WAS SANE**

Long Contested Will Case from Downers Grove Decided by the Jury in 10 Minutes after a Trial Lasting Four Days.

The Trapp will contested case occupied the attention of the circuit court at Wheaton four days last week, going into the hands of the jury just before adjournment Friday evening with instructions to bring in a sealed verdict (if they should agree) as court would not convene until Monday morning. The verdict of the jury was ready in less than lifteen minutes after they retired and the jurors went to their homes and appeared in court on Monday morning. The verdict sustained the will.

On June 30, 1893, Joseph Trapp (frequently called Tripp) executed a will wherein, as the evidence showed, he bestowed on two sons and a daughter \$5.00 each. Forty acres of land each besides some personal property, were given to Peter and Fritz, the two remaining sons. He died in the following October.

and made a desperate fight to break it. and important attorney for their side, charge. and he brought into the case all his legal tact and advoitness to win it. of the opposite side, their legal acumen and their forcible and convincing pleas in summing up before the jury demonstrated the fact that the defendants, Fritz and Peter Trapp, made no mistake when they secured them as counsel, as the result showed. The evidence as brought out disclosed the fact that sons and a daughter were only given day and attended the club benefit. it was an honest, fair will; that those \$5 each. These three are contesting who claimed to have been wronged had been previously provided for in as much or more than their snare; that Mr. Trapp was not right mentally and Peter and Fritz were only receiving that undue influence was used when what was justly theirs in an equitable the will was made. E. H. Gary, J. F. division.

Trapp entered largely into the evidence Goodrich for the defense. The case and on this point especially the testimony of Dr. W. A. Tope as expert ly be finished last week. medical witness was most valuable and convincing to the jury. D. G. Graham prepared and had the will executed. A letter from Attorney Goodrich, in which Mr. Slusser concurs, compliments him highly on the correctness, legality and carefulness in which the will was prepared and executed. Mr. Fauthaber and Albert Smith were wit nesses to the signature and signed as such, and Mr. Paff was executor.

#### GIVEN A NEEDED LESSON.

Rowdyism and disturbance of public gatherings got a decided check at the club's eutertainment last Saturday evening. As usual several of the young would-be toughs commenced ereating a disturbance shortly after the entertainment began. They were immediately, and later repeatedly, warned to be quiet, without effect, While a violin solo was in progress members of the gang in the galley persisted in making a loud shuffling noise with their feet, and the ringleader. Young Lawson, was told by one of the members of the house committee, to change his seat. He refused and was promptly and properly thrown out, Needless to add, this action had the desired effect, and the entertainment proceeded without further interruption.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT.

W. H. Colville has added to his groc ery stock a complete line of merchandise, consisting of ladies, gents and children's shoes, rubber boots, rubbers and overshoes; a full line of dry goods, men's furnishing goods, consisting of shirts, pants, socks, overalls, underwear, suspenders, neckwear, etc.; full line of glassware and crockery; in fact anything you want at low prices these goods for spot cash we will sell them way down. The place: Corner Grocery, North side.

#### A GOOD MEMORY.

A good memory often saves money and also good health. If you are troubled with constipation, indigestion or any form of stomach trouble remember to take home a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin and health will doses 10c) large size 50c and \$1.00 of No. 5 are now due and payable to W. S. Carpenter.

#### CIRCUIT COURT NOTES.

Matters of Interest at the Term of Court Now Being Held in Wheaton.

E. B. Howe and wife are in charge o affairs at the poor farm and entertained the grand jury at dinner on Monday

Court refused to confirm the sale of the Ellsworth drug store to Dr. C. S. Owen for \$400,00, the price being considered entirely too low.

The Shannon murder trial comes up next Monday, Judge Willis will hear the case which comes on a change of venue from Boone county.

Judge Bishop of DeKalb county is presiding in circuit court at Wheaton. He is a man of large physique, in the prime of life, genial and affable, prompt and fair in his rulings and decisions, and creates an excellent impression.

While in the midst of a case Monday afternoon, Judge Bishop gave the jury a five-minute recess, to hear arguments from the attorneys. One of the jurors thought he was excused for the day and cut across lots for home. The case had to be finished with eleven men in his property interests here Wednesday.

stolen it appeared that a third negro so turned out. Fred Edwards was day. The three first mentioned contested the will, employed ex-Judge Gary, At. spotted as the third party and he was torneys Snyder and Wilke as counsel arrested at Terre Haute, Ind., Wednesday. Thursday morning he was brought Friday. Judge Gary of course was the leading into court and plead guilty to the

The court is now engaged in trying village. with a jury the case of Barrows vs. The will was sustained by States Attor- City of Wheaton. It will be rememney Slusser of this place and Attorney bered that over three years ago Barand Master in Chancery Goodrich of rows fell and broke his leg on the in-Naperville, and their management of cline at the south end of Sutcliff's the case throughout, in the presenting warehouse at the crossing of Hale St, of their evidence, the rebuttal and reland the C. & N. W. tracks. Barrows futing of alleged damaging testimony claims to be permanently disabled and wants beavy damages.

The Trapp will case engaged the attention of the court last week. Jos. Trapp, living south of Downers Grove, died about three years ago and left a ing Agent Bunge's absence. will setting apart to two of his sons 40 acres of land each and the other two the will, and from the evidence so far presented they are trying to prove that Snyder and Mr. Wilke appear for the The question of the sanity of Joseph complainants and M. Slusser and H. H. was commenced Tuesday and was hard-

> Albert Myer of Hinsdale was summoned to appear before the grand jury as a witness several weeks ago and positively refused, stating that no judge or court could make him appear. States Attorney Slusser got out papers, charging Myer with contempt of court, and placed them in the hands of the sheriff. Mr. Myer was brought before the judge Monday, and only escaped imprisonment and a heavy fine by the interceding of Judge Batten. Myer was given thirty days in which to pay costs of attachment, and was discharged. Some people seem to think county officers and courts are to improve the looks of the landscape and entertain people while at the county seat, but a few weeks in jail on a charge of contempt would change their views,-

#### A PLEASANT AT HOME.

Miss Susie Edwards gave an exceedingly pleasant at home to a score of lady friends last Thursday evening at her beautiful home on Maple avenue. The occasion was in the nature of a farewell party by the hostess to her friends before she leaves for Southern Pines, North Carolina, where she will spend the winter with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Edwards. The large house was brilliantly lighted and pret tily decorated with greens, and yellow flowers; nasturtiums were banked and arranged in many tasteful designs. The charming hostess cleverly entertained her guests at various games an musical selections finished the evening at a late hour. A luncheon of ice cream and cake was served in the dining room, the long table being banked with masses of flowers. Miss Edwards was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. W a general store, where you can find S. Carpenter, and her sister, Miss Ethyl. The ladies present were Mrs. Mabel equalled by none. Having ought Carnahan, Misses Acacia U. Elliott, Elizabeth Chatfield, Clara Strong, Susan Faul. Jennie Lyman, Cora Escher. Nellie Lyman, Earnest, Ella Bartle, Belle Lyman. Maude Bateman, Ella Hoffert, May Dixon, Mary Spohr, Dixon, Cassa Graves,

# SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

assessments No. 1, 2, 3 and 4, and sec-

V. Simonson, Village Collector.

# Material at the latest at the ..Local and Personal Paragraphs..

White Rose gasoline, Nash Bros. Searchlight matches at Nash Bros. Additional local news on fifth page. Waples & Miles' oysters are delicious. Excellent coffee at Thompson's for 25 cents.

W. S. Alden is at his farm in Indiana

Geo. Hoffert has entered on his duties

as constable. Genuine home-made bread at Rang's bakery. Try it.

Waples & Miles get their oysters from first hands.

Mrs. Sprague returned to her home in the city Monday.

LaGrange Wednesday. C. Penner has received his fall stock

Mrs. Cooper entertained friends from

of horse blankets—fine quality. Downers Grove vs. Hinsdale on Downers field Saturday afternoon.

Wm. Bush of Latirange attended to

G. E. White has commenced the erec-When the Middaugh horses were tion of a residence on Warren avenue. J. B. Moss started for Kansas City was mixed up in the affair and it has for a stay of a week or two last Tues-

> Mrs. Rabby and Mrs. Watson of Au- Penner's. rora, visited friends in the village last

Ed. Wootton is feeding a flock of anteed to fit, over 700 sheep on his farm south of the

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

Thompson's, Mrs. Sprague and niece, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. C. F. Davis, called on old friends in Cass the latter

part of last week. Bert C. Nash of Cassville, Ohio, is visiting his uncles, J. W. and J. A. Nash, for a few week.

agent in charge of the depot here dur-

were the guests of Geo. M. Lee Satur-

A spark from an engine started & fire in the Ducat woods yesterday, but it was extinguished before much damage resulted.

and Miss Darling and Miss McGregor of Dumferline, Scotland, are visiting F. Perce of Chicago, were guests of Mr. with Mrs. A. C. Ducat. Mcs. II. A. Colville, who has been ill tended the club benefit.

for the past four weeks, died early this morning at 3 o'clock. Obitnary will Chronicle has been particularly interbe published next week.

W. H. Colville will add a stock of this city are reading it. general dry goods to his grocery and chandise establishment.

stock of winter underwear, gloves, mittens and hosiery in their change of advertisement this week.

Mrs. L. E. Ayres and Mrs. M. M. Par- who has recently moved there. mer departed for their homes in Des-Moines, Ia., Tuesday, after a month's visit with their husbands here.

Don't strain your eyes reading, writing or sewing by a poor light. Buy the Emolene oil of D. K. Craig and Caldwell, of Chicago will conduct the have the best light at all times,

south part of the county were in at- also occupy the pulpit of that church tendance at court at Wheaton last Sunday. week as witnesses in the Trapp wili

having her pocket book, containing a bound substantially to preserve them. 25-ride railroad ticket and about \$18 in First-class work in cloth, library or ful money, abstracted from her hand sat- leather. Prices reasonable. chel by a pickpocket while in the city the other day.

M. E. church will be held in the Ep- ington streets. Subject, Oliver Wenat 8 o'clock. Let every official of the friends are urged to be present. presiding elder.

W. H. Edwards has been notified by the locating committee of the Dunkards Publishing House that they will visit Downers Grove shortly, but the exact date has not been decided upon, owing to one of their number being ab- Wis. sent in Indiana,

Miss Louese Stanley entertained party at duplicate whist last Thursday evening, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Lee, Mrs. David E. McKee, Mrs. Guy L. Bush, M. King Bush and A. H. and E. C. Wetten. A pleasant evening was enjoyed and the honors were carried off by Mrs. Lee and Mr.

will meet the Hinsdale eleven next choicest trands of good coffee at reason-Saturday afternoon on Downers field, able rates? Have all grades and all The Hinsdale aggregation have de- the best of their class. Tea is also in ing of the Epworth League will be held The fourth installment on special feated the home team three times in my line and I furnish a first-class arti- next Tuesday evening, Oct. 26, at the the past two seasons and our boys are cle at reasonable rates. Save your home of Miss Rose Klein. The combe restored to you. Trial sizes 10c (10 ond installment on special assessment determined to change the state of af- orders. I will call in a few days, or mittee has spared no pains to make the fairs Saturday. Game called at 3:30 drop me a card and I will call the same evening an enjoyable one. Come and

Swleback at Rang's, Try them. National Light oil at Nash Bros. Crockery given away at Thompson's, Hughes & Gallup- The cash grocers.

Rang's. Thompson has seasonable fruits and vegetables.

Nice fresh home-made mince pies at Rang's bakery.

Mrs. Chas. Jacobson is visiting her parents at Ashton.

ters? They are fine. ter wagon to your doors.

Leave orders at Mertz & Mochel's fo all kinds of stove repairs,

Peanuts, the sweetest and freshest baked every day at Rang's. Dr. C. L. Lafferty of Chicago, visited

friends in the village over Sunday.

ering from his recent protracted illness. O'Neil. Hughes & Gallup-The cash grocers on Foote street are making low cash

Fine quality horse blankets, a good assortment; prices very low, at C

Thompson has a full line of gents and ladies' shoes in latest styles, guar

We have just received a new line of fall underwear. Prices very reasonable,

on spent Sunday with his daughter, Lost-On Main street, a \$5.00 bill.

Finder will please return to C. Penner and receive reward.

Douglas shoes, new stock, latest toes, Razor toes at cut prices while Fred Douglas of Paw Paw is the they last, at Nash Bros.

Colville the north side grocer, sells all kinds of hay, straw, and feed at the Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb of LaGrange very lowest prices. Buy of him.

Fresh buckwheat flour from Horseheads, N. Y., at Nash Bros. Guaran teed pure and the satisfactory kind.

Colonel and Mrs. Lemen of Clarendon Hills and Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Morrow of Hinsdale attended the club enter-Mrs. Chas. P. Stivers of Ripon, Wis., tainment Saturday.

Mr and Mrs. H. W. Perce and Chas. and Mrs. Geo. M. Lee Saturday and at-The woman's page of the Chicago

esting lately. Most of the ladies of A pound social was held at the resi-

evening for charitable purposes. Nash Bros, call attention to their large number were present, Frank M. Stanger will make his home

in Chicago after the first of November, with his sister, Mrs. Florence Forkel,

Capt. and J. W. Rogers leave tonight on a short trip to the south. The will visit Chattanooga and the exposition at Nashville before returning.

The new presiding elder, Rev. J. M. quarterly meeting at the M. E. church Quite a number of the people of the here next Saturday evening and will

Bring your world's fair views, art reproductions, magazines, papers, etc., Mrs. E. Wootton was unfortunate in to the REPORTER office and have them

day evening, October 25, at the home ing on the property aforesaid will be The first quarterly conference of the of Miss Susan Faul, Curtiss and Washworth League room Saturday evening dell Holmes. All members and their

Miss Ada E. Buckingham desires to announce the opening of the Central Art Studio in the Central block, Monday, November 1st, 1897. Photography and painting in oil and water colors, crayon work and tapestry. You are invited to call-over Carpenter's drug

Your coffee doesn't suit you. Why The Downers Grove football team don't you let me supply you with my General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill. day. Yours for business, ROBERT BUCK. bring a friend with you.

SUCCESSFUL CLUB BENEFIT.

O'Neils' Sketch Club Entertains a Crowded House Saturday Evening.

The Downers Grove Club benefit given by the O'Neils' Sketch Club Saturday evening served to completely fill SEVERAL NEW SIDEWALKS ORDERED. the Auditorium with an appreciative audience, a number of whom came The best and freshest baked goods at from Chicago and adjacent auburban towns. The program opened with the one-act comedy, "After the Honeymoon," with Mr. and Mrs. J. K. O'Neil portraying Mr. and Mrs. Honeyton. Following came the Eureka trio. composed of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Granville and Allan Maclean, in a duet with violin obligato. Mr. O'Neil next de Have you tried Waples & Miles' oys lighted the audience with his clever delineation of a typical Irishwoman, Waples & Miles will send their oys- in which several local hits made fun for the company assembled. Mr. and Mrs. Granville each gave vocal solos and Mrs. O'Neil recited one of Browning's pleasing poems. Mr. Maclean followed with a violin sole, which elicated an encore. The first part of the program was concluded with the musical sketch, "A Rehearsal on the D. J. Block seems to be slowly recov- Farm," by Mrs. Granville and Mr.

The second part of the program con sisted of the comedictta, "the Rose and the Shamrock," Mr. and Mrs. O'Neil and Mr. Granville taking the parts. The piece abounds in mirth provoking situations and was greatly enjoyed. The entire entertainmen was very satisfactory and the frequent applause showed the efforts of the entertainers were meritorious.

As a result of the benefit the receipts footed up over \$90, which shows the appreciation of the people of Downers Wm. H. Johnson and wife of Wheat- Grove of the Club's enterprise.

#### ALBERT B. MILLER MISSING.

Frank Miller, a young man of 191-Washington Boulevard, Chicago, was here this morning seeking information of the whereabouts of his father, a former old resident of this county at Lombard. It appears that Mr. Miller, who is 58 years old, left his sister's, Mrs. John Sinyard's, home, about five miles south of Downers Grove, on September 30th last, with the intention of walk- by those favoring the resolution, ing to Lombard, where he has a farm and where he lived for nearly forty seriously object to an 8-foot walk proyears previous to moving to Chicago some time ago. Nothing has been heard of him since he left Sinyards'. and his family are greatly concerned over his disappearance, fearing he may have been killed. Miller was sound mentally and did not have much money with him when he disappeared. Any information as to the whereabouts of the missing man may be sent to the address given above.

#### MARRIED.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. will hereafter conduct a general mer- dence of J. B. Huling last Thursday Stone on Washington street, there occurred last evening, Wednesday, October 20th, 1897, a pretty wedding which united in marriage Mr. Fred A. Sawyer and Miss Edith M. Stone, both of Chicago. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George C. Moor at 6 o'clock and shortly afterward the young couple were driven to the depot to commence their wedding trip which will include various points of interest in the east. The groom is a prominent and wealthy broker of Chicago, and the bride is the accomplished daughter of W. W. Stone of this village.

#### WARNING TO TRESPASSERS

Walter Scott Bryan, manager of the Marshall Field estates, has been ser lously annoyed of late by hunters trespassing on the property when positively forbidden to do so. Signs to this effect have been torn down and destroyed. Notice is given to the offenders The Fortnightly club will meet Mon- that any further trespassing and sheotvigorously prosecuted in each instance.

# BROKE A LEG.

E. H. Prince suffered a severe acci church be present to greet the new G. H. Bunge and wife are enjoying a dent Saturday while attempting to two weeks vacation at various points. gather in an unruly swarm of bees. This week Mr. Bunge is attending the The bees had settled in a tree and Mr. grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias Prince mounted a ladder to remove while Mrs. Bunge is visiting relatives them. When near the top he slipped at Streator. Later they will both visit and fell, breaking the ankle bones of friends and relatives at Eau Claire, his right foot. Dr. W. W. Gourley set the fractured member. The accident will confine Mr. Prince for several

#### ALL ABOUT NEBRASKA.

An illustrated pamphlet has recently been published by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R., giving complete information about the farm lands of Ne braska. Copies may be had without

The regular literary and social meet-

# BOARD'S SPECIAL MEETING.

CALLED MONDAY EVENING TO CONSIDER URGENT BUSINESS,

Have a Wrangle over a Resolution Granting John Otafield Permission to lay

The village board met in extraordinary session Monday evening to consider several urgent matters of business. President Bush and all members

an 8-foot Walk on Curtiss St.

were present at roll cali. The bond of Geo. Hoffert as police constable and health commissioner, in the sum of \$2,000, with Levi Mertz and J. W. Rogers as sureties, was read and on motion of Trustees Root and Schultz approved and accepted.

Health Commissioner Heffert reported the diphtheria case as being fully recovered and that the premises had been thoroughly fumigated and the quarantine restrictions removed.

The health commissioner also reported that the outlet of the north side sewer drain, emptying into the culvert near near the switch tower as being very foul and unsanitary, and that some person was using this sewer as an outlet for closet drains contrary to the ordinances. The commissioner was instructed to use his best endeavors in

locating the offending party or parties. Trustee Root introduced a resolution granting John Oldfield permission to construct an 8-foot cement side walk adjoining his business property on Curtiss street, from Main street to the rear line of his property. Trustee Mochel introduced a petition from property owners on Curtiss street praying such permission be not granted, but that the said Oldfield only be permitted to construct walk 5 feet 4 inches in width in accordance with the village sidewalk ordinances.

These two contending measures brought on a warm discussion and a wordy wrangle followed lasting nearly an hour, each member of the board taking an active part. It was stated the adjoining property owners did not vided they were not compelled to construct walk eight feet in width. It was also shown that Mr. Oldfield would not construct a cement walk if he was not permitted to build same eight feet wide. Many points favoring and

against the resolution were brought up the final outcome being that the resolution permitting the 8-foot walk, upon motion of Trustees Root and Barr, was passed by a vote of 5 to 1. Sidewalk ordinances Nos. 25, 26, and

27 were introduced and passed providing for walks on Maple avenue, Grove and North Main street. The full text of these ordinances will be found elsewhere in this issue.

The street commissioner structed to rigidly enforce ordinances regaring driving over sidewalks after which the board adjourned.

# HARVEST HOME FESTIVAL.

The services at the Baptist church last Sunday were deserving of especial mention. It was in the nature of Harvest Home festival and the interior of the church was tastefully decorated with the beauties of autumn; the glowing colors of autumn leaves, the ripened fruit and vegetables, the rellow corn and sheaves of grain, all arranged with harmonizing effect, suggested the cause for general thanksgiving and praise for the bountiful harvest. The morning services were given over to the pupils of the Sunday school, who sang choruses and hymns of praise prepared especially for the festival.

#### WANT TO BUY A FARM?

We offer for sale a farm of 280 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 8 per cent. Full particulars will be given at the REPORTER office.

# NO GRIPING OR PAINS.

Arrowsmith, Ill., Jan. 21, 1897, Dear Sirs:-I have been bothered for 15 years with constipation and I have tried many preparations during that time. I commenced using Dr. Calde well's Syrup Pepsin in the fall of 1895 and unhesitatingly say it is the best remedy I have ever found for my trouble. No griping or pains after tak-

ing. Yours, etc., WM. HUMP. For Waples & Miles' oysters your orders with Hughes & Galle