

OLDFIELD BLOCK COMPLETED

HOME OF DOWNERS GROVE CLUB READY FOR OCCUPANCY.

BUSH & SIMONSON'S OPENING MONDAY.

The Downers Grove Club will formally dedicate its new home about Dec. 1st. Reception, Cards and Ball.

The handsome new Oldfield block, erected at a cost of nearly \$20,000, is practically completed and ready for occupancy with the exception of a few minor details.

The building was designed by architect F. H. Ayers of Chicago. Contractor W. J. Herring was awarded the contract for its construction.

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COL. CHAS. P. BRYAN IN LUCK.

Selected by President McKinley as United States Minister to China.

Friends of the Colonel in this county and legislative district, and in fact the state at large, are greatly pleased at the announcement in a yesterday's Tribune special from Washington that it was learned at the state department that Charles P. Bryan of DuPage county, has been determined upon as the successor of Minister Charles Denby, who now represents Uncle Sam at Peking, China.

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Local and Personal Paragraphs.

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

Washburn & Crosby's flour is sold by Mertz & Mochel. Slabs for kindling, sawed in proper lengths at Brode's.

Miss May Ducat spent last Thursday with friends in Oak Park. Coke is cheaper than coal. No dirt; no smoke. F. A. Brode has it.

C. Penner has received his fall stock of horse blankets—fine quality. Mrs. John Dixon entertained a friend from Oberlin, O., over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. O. Swisher have moved to the city for the winter. Hughes & Gallup—the cash grocers on Foot street are making low cash prices.

Fine quality horse blankets, a good assortment; prices very low, at C. Penner's. Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Reed of Albion, Mich., are visiting the Stanleys here this week.

Thompson has a full line of gents and ladies' shoes in latest styles, guaranteed to fit. Claire S. Foster of Rochelle visited over Tuesday night with his father at Geo. S. Foster's.

Marion Newcomb of Janesville, Wis., is filling a position with the Brode Hardware Company. If in need of a stove don't fail to give Mertz & Mochel a call and get prices before buying.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. McDougal are happy over the birth of a girl baby born Wednesday morning. For Waples & Miles' oysters leave your orders at Hughes & Gallup's coal office, or at the oyster store.

Colville the north side grocer, sells all kinds of hay, straw, and feed at the very lowest prices. Buy of him. Have you tried Buck's tea and coffee? They are giving general satisfaction.

We have a good stock of best grades of coal on hand. Leave your orders at Mertz & Mochel and get prompt delivery. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. C. Hayes will return to the city next week for the winter, where they will be at home at 4334 Ellis avenue.

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Don't pass Brode's hardware store without glancing at those combination kitchen outfits hanging in the window. They sell on sight. W. J. Herring started on a trip last evening to view his landed interests in the southern part of the state.

Don't strain your eyes reading, writing or sewing by a poor light. Buy the Emolene oil of D. K. Craig and have the best light at all times. Harvest excursions tickets to all points south, west and north will be sold on Nov. 16th, Dec. 7th and 21st, 1897, at one fare for the round trip.

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Swieback at Rang's. Try them. National Light oil at Nash Bros. Crockery given away at Thompson's. The best and freshest baked goods at Rang's.

Oil cloth binding and stove boards at Brode's. Thompson has reasonable fruits and vegetables. A. J. Thompson has returned from his Wisconsin trip.

Mrs. Emma Smith entertained friends from Michigan last week. Mrs. A. C. Ducat is visiting with relatives at Fort Douglas, Utah.

Two thousand dollars to loan on farm mortgage, at D. G. Graham's. Mrs. McCleary of Waterman visited at D. G. Graham's last Saturday.

To exchange, 30 acres farm land at Lisle. Address owner, P. O. box 236, village. Mr. and Mrs. Potter are happy over the arrival of a fine baby girl, born on Nov. 4th.

A nice variety of outing flannels in all the latest stripes and colors at Thompson's. L. Klein and Wm. Colville looked after a little business matter in Aurora last Monday.

We have just received a new line of fall underwear. Prices very reasonable, at Thompson's. Mertz & Mochel have a few second-hand base-burners which they offer to sell out cheap.

Mrs. McNaught and George McNaught were visitors in Clarendon Hills last Sunday. The Brode Hardware Company and Hesterman & Palmer have new advertisements this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wieldin and daughter of Big Rock, Ill., was visiting at J. H. Griffith's last week. Marshall Roth of Hinsdale, will shortly open a billiard hall in the Miller building on Railroad street.

Fresh buckwheat flour from Horseheads, N. Y., at Nash Bros. Guaranteed pure and the satisfactory kind. Order your choice tea and coffee at Buck's tea and coffee store on North Foot street. Goods are the best and prices are right.

Boys' Brigade Friday evening at the Auditorium. Company B drill at 7 o'clock; Company A drill at 8 o'clock. Visitors welcome. Before you buy dry goods elsewhere call and examine the goods and learn the prices at the Downers Grove Fair, opposite the bank.

Waples & Miles will send their oyster wagon to your doors Wednesdays and Saturdays. Buy of them the best oysters brought to the west. Lost—A black silk umbrella, somewhere west of Downers Grove, on road leading from the village. Finder will please leave at this office.

The Republican Editorial association of the Eighth Congressional district will hold a meeting at the Merchants Hotel in Elgin next Saturday.

To Rent—Small store and living rooms on Main street, near bank building. Keys next door south. Rent \$10.00. Address V. F. Frenheden, village. Victor Frenheden is making improvements on his brick building on South Main street. He will occupy it himself for the transaction of his real estate business.

The Downers Grove Fair has just received a full line of dry goods, consisting of flannels, gingham, calico, linings, cotton-batting, and other goods, which will be sold at the lowest living prices.

The Ladies Guild of St. Andrew's Mission will hold an oyster supper and bazaar in the Sunday school room of the church, on Thursday, Nov. 18th, 1897. Supper from 5 to 8 o'clock p. m., 25 cents. All are welcome.

All are cordially invited to the literary meeting of the Epworth League to be held at the home of Miss Carrie Martin November 16. The committee plan to have these meetings helpful and entertaining. Encourage them by your presence.

Prosecuting Attorney M. Blunzer has wound up the criminal docket at this term of the court in a manner which reflects credit upon his administration. Every case continued from last term, and every indictment found at this term of court has had the word conviction written upon the balance side of the presiding circuit judge's docket. Quite a number of the cases have had to be tried, the parties refusing to plead guilty, but the states attorney followed them through court and his efforts were crowned with victory.

Wheaton Illinois.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Sunday Schools of the County Meet in Two Days Session in this Village.

The Sunday schools of the county were represented by about sixty delegates who gathered with the Sunday school workers of Downers Grove in a convention last Thursday and Friday, November 4th and 5th. The full program was interesting and inspiring.

Mrs. Lamereaux, secretary of the primary department of Illinois, and W. C. Pearce, state field worker, rendered valuable service during the convention. Others who were on the program presented good papers or short addresses. The discussions were interesting and the devotional services especially helpful.

Those present went home full of the inspiration of the meeting and glad to have met the good people of Downers Grove. Those who do not attend these county Sunday school conventions cannot realize how much they receive of help and encouragement to enable them to do better work in the Sunday school. The secretary reported 42 Sunday schools in the county, with 580 teachers and officers, a total membership of 5,000, and an average attendance of 3,711.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, B. J. Slick, Naperville; first vice-president, Roy Smith, Granger; second vice-president, James Baber, Wheaton; third vice-president, J. F. Smart, Cass; secretary and treasurer, Lafa May Chatfield, West Chicago.

THINKS DOWNERS HAS IMPROVED.

David B. Givler, the veteran editor of the Naperville Clarion visited Downers Grove last Friday and was so impressed with the many changes he witnessed, that he gave vent to his feelings in yesterday's Clarion as follows, under the head of "The years are rolling by:"

"There was a time when we were acquainted with nearly every inhabitant of Downers Grove, but at this writing we are almost a pilgrim and stranger in that city.

"Alighting from a coach at that station Friday afternoon, we were saluted in form and substance as follows: 'Hello! you old sinner, what are you doing over here? Had I known you were coming I would not have gone to Chicago; don't consider it safe to have you running at large in this town without being watched.' Just then the conductor came along and ran Warren Rogers into a car and made him stay there until the train started. He presumably punched his ticket if nothing else.

"Downers Grove has improved wonderfully in every essential, save that the streets are a little too muddy for comfort on rainy days. The residence districts have been extended in every direction, and so far as the eye can reach palatial residences loom up in the receding distance.

"A few excellent business blocks are an ornament to the town and a credit to the builders. Well regulated water works supply the needs of inhabitants and help make the future prospects brighter, because it is an essential adjunct to every city that expects to attract progressive people.

"Much of that prosperity is due to the fact that Downers is the terminal station of the 'Q' suburban passenger traffic. Residents can catch a train to the city every hour of the day and can come when they get ready. Here has also resided a goodly number of level-headed men who always pull together in every public enterprise, and never give up until successful. Here is also published one of the best weekly newspapers in the state, the publishers of which are discreet, progressive and aggressive. The Reporter is a solid, safe, clean and influential journal. Long may it flourish.

"The old settlers are rapidly disappearing. Many former familiar faces are missing in social and business circles. The wheels of time are revolving faster; a new generation is coming to the front, who will do well if they excel their ancestors in all that pertains to good citizenship.

EXCURSIONS TO CALIFORNIA.

Through tourist sleeping cars for California leave Chicago at 10:30 p. m. every Wednesday via the Burlington. These cars are in charge of a conductor who goes through to the end of the route looking after the comfort of the passengers. For full particulars enquire of G. H. Bunge, Agent.

The weather is cooler and everybody is sending their orders to Waples & Miles' oyster store on Foot street.

BURGLARS ON SOUTH SIDE.

RAID THE STRAUBE PREMISES LAST THURSDAY NIGHT.

SILVERWARE AND CLOTHING TAKEN.

Gained Entrance Through the Basement During Mr. Straube's Absence—Carried Away Mr. Straube's Bicycle.

During the past month burglars have found a ripe field for their operations in Downers Grove. The last case of their midnight manipulations being the residence of Wm. Straube on the south side. The burglary occurred some time during last Thursday night. Mr. Straube was absent from home, serving on a jury at Wheaton, and the family, which consists of Mrs. Straube and her young son, were sleeping on the second floor of the house and were not disturbed.

The burglars gained entrance through a basement window. The rooms on the lower floor of the house were thoroughly ransacked and every article of men's clothing taken, together with the silverware and other articles of value. In addition to this Mrs. Straube's seal skin jacket and Mr. Straube's bicycle were taken. A box of matches was left lying on the table and, as was the case in the north side houses burglarized during the past month, burnt matches were strewn over the floor in all the lower rooms. This leads to the supposition that the last robbery was committed by the same gang who operated on the north side.

HAD A DELIGHTFUL HOP.

The informal dancing party held in Carpenter's hall last Thursday evening, was one of the most delightful hops ever given in the village. It was in honor of Chas. H. Jones, who was visiting his people here, and was planned and carried to a successful termination by a number of the young gentlemen who made it as delightful as it was informal. Fourteen couples merrily danced the hours away from eight until twelve, and a more congenial or happy crowd of young people would be impossible to find.

Prof. Clifford G. Sweet and son of Aurora, furnished entrancing music, which was greatly enjoyed and highly praised by the company. Those present were Misses Florence Fray of Stevens Point, Wis., Harriott Hughes of Hinsdale, Lou Smith, Laura Hughes, Florence Frenched, Avilla Sweet, Willard, Ethel Edwards, Remington, Clara Mason, Doris Frankel, Anna Wetten, Edith Earnest, Messrs. Chas. H. Jones of Burlington, Vermont, B. N. Hughes of Hinsdale, Earnest Gallup, W. H. Jones, Leo E. Stanley, W. H. Hodgett, H. F. Jones, Gaylord Earnest, Leo Princes, Glenn W. Edwards, Arthur Ross, Frank A. Willard, Ed H. Huntington.

SHUBAL B. CRANDALL.

Died, Saturday, Oct. 30th, at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. B. Squire, of Hannawa, N. Y. Shubal B. Crandall, aged 61 years, son-in-law of Isaac Parker of Downers Grove. Mr. Crandall had been secretary and treasurer of a large lumber company and owner of an estate in Guyandotte, W. Va., for about sixteen years. He went north in July for his health, spending a part of the time in the Adirondacks. A week before his death, he failed so rapidly that his wife, who for several years has been caring for her aged father in Downers Grove, was summoned. Mrs. Crandall reached her husband's bedside the day before his death and returned to her father in a short time after the funeral. Mr. Crandall leaves his wife, one daughter, Miss Jessie, who is in California, an aged mother, and sister to mourn his loss.

There will be services next Sunday at the St. Andrew's Episcopal mission. Morning prayer at 10 o'clock. Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon at 10:30. All are invited to attend whether they are communicants or not. No afternoon services. At next Sunday will be the anniversary of the day on which the present rector in charge, Rev. Geo. N. Meade began his duties, the sermon will be suitable to the occasion.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Colville has added to his grocery stock a complete line of merchandise, consisting of ladies' gents and children's shoes, rubber boots, rubbers and over-shoes; a full line of dry goods, men's furnishing goods, consisting of shirts, hats, socks, overalls, underwear, etc.; also a complete line of glassware and crockery in a general store where you can get anything you want at a price equalled by none elsewhere.