

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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NUMBER

DEATH OF MARIA C. ELLIOTT.

SUCCUMBS AFTER A PROLONGED ILLNESS FRIDAY MORNING.

WILLIAM RIDDLE DIES SATURDAY.

His Death Occurs from Heart Failure at the Home of Mrs. L. C. Farrar, his Niece—Funeral held Sunday.

The death of Maria C. Elliott occurred at the family residence on Washington street, at 2:30 o'clock Friday morning, December 24th, from heart failure.

Until about five weeks ago she had been apparently in the best of health. Early in November Mrs. Elliott returned from a visit to her old home in Indiana and was taken ill during the following week with a severe cold on her lungs. Her condition was not considered serious until about two weeks ago, when a complication of neuralgia and other ailments developed heart failure, which baffled the efforts of her physicians. On the Thursday before her death a consultation of her physicians was held and it was seen human aid could accomplish nothing save what the loving ministrations of her devoted family could do in making peaceful and pleasant her last moments. The end came suddenly though quietly, early Friday morning. Surrounded by her family and fully possessed of her faculties, her soul passed from earthly keeping in the holy Christmas season.

Funeral services were held at the house Sunday morning at 11:30 o'clock. Rev. Herbert H. Rood conducted the simple ceremonies. The remains were taken to the city on the 10 o'clock train, and thence over the Pennsylvania road to Plymouth, Indiana, the home of her youth, for burial. Her daughter, Mrs. Louis E. Hall, and niece, Mrs. Jennie Hawley, accompanied the body, and her son from Philadelphia attended the funeral at Plymouth.

At Plymouth largely attended funeral services were held Monday morning at 10 o'clock from the residence of her niece. Rev. Raymond of the Episcopal church, conducting the beautiful burial service of that church, and the body was laid to rest in the family lot in the cemetery there. The pall bearers were selected from among the girlhood friends of the deceased.

Maria C. Belangee was born near Cincinnati, Ohio, October 11th, 1827, and was the youngest of a family of seven children, but two of whom survive her, Mrs. C. Kidwell of Michigan and Mrs. S. Lovelace of Illinois. While a girl she moved with her parents to Indiana, who settled near Plymouth. She was married to Ervin Spencer Elliott on May 6th, 1852. Five children were born to them: Emory, who died in 1858; Lemon F., of Philadelphia; Acacia U., Louis E., (Hall) and Ida G. Elliott, of Downers Grove. Her husband died July 4th, 1884. Mrs. Elliott lived in Plymouth until 1884, when the family moved to Chicago, and came to Downers Grove in the spring of 1887, where she lived until her death.

Her's was a quiet home life, but one full of helpful cheerfulness to her family and those about her. She was a member of the Congregational church here and was a firm believer in the mercies of a Heavenly Father. How much she is missed and mourned by those who are left can only be realized by those who have experienced the loss of a tender and loving mother, who had fostered them with a devoted and watchful care.

WILLIAM RIDDLE.

The death of William Riddler occurred Saturday, Dec. 25, at the residence of his niece, Mrs. Luther C. Farrar, on Carpenter street. His death was due to heart disease, from which he had been a sufferer for some time. Deceased was a brother of John Riddler of Oakwoods avenue and A. McS. Riddler of Naperville, and was 48 years of age. He had been living in Chicago for many years past and was there taken ill. Thursday he was brought to Downers Grove, where it was hoped the surroundings would quicken his recovery, but medical aid and the kind care of his family were of no avail. The funeral was held from the house Monday and interment made at the Naperville cemetery. Rev. Geo. C. Moor officiating.

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. Caldwell'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 taking. Yours, etc., Wm. Hunt.

A SMALL BLAZE.

The Downers Grove Fair Slightly Damaged by Fire.

The Downers Grove Fair, at the corner of Main and Curtiss streets, had a narrow escape from being destroyed by fire last night. At 9 o'clock Abe Kalman, the son of P. L. Kalman, the proprietor, was extinguishing the lights preparatory to closing the store for the night. While lowering a hanging lamp, the chain supporting one side broke and the glass lamp therein was dashed against a counter where it broke, scattering the oil over the goods thereon, and started a fierce blaze which threatened for a time to develop into a serious conflagration. The prompt application of water by the proprietor assisted by bystanders subdued the flames before much damage was done. The counter was covered with caps and clothing and these were ruined by the fire and water thrown on them. The other goods were smoked to some extent. The hose companies responded to the alarm, but their services were not needed. Mr. Kalman expects to have his loss promptly adjusted by the insurance companies in which he is insured, and his store opened for business in the course of a day or two.

LOCAL TELEPHONE LINE.

The Chicago Telephone Company have shipped the poles and material here for the construction of the local telephone line, and have a force of men engaged trimming and fitting the poles for erection. The work will be pushed and the line ready for operation within a short time. So far about twenty subscribers have been secured and it is hoped to increase that number materially. The central station will be located at W. S. Carpenter's drug store. The rate for residences has been fixed at \$18 per year, and business houses at \$24. Contracts may be secured at Carpenter's by intending takers of telephone service, or the company's solicitor will call upon a postal card request mailed to the central office.

DAMON AND PYTHIAS.

The Rodgers Theater company presented "Damon and Pythias" at the Auditorium, Christmas night, to a good-sized audience, and despite the discouraging conditions which they were forced to meet, a highly meritorious performance was given. But four professional people were in the cast, the balance of the characters in the play being taken by local talent. A pleased audience was the result of the conscientious work of the members of the company, and should Mr. Rodgers ever appear in the village again we can bespeak for him a hearty welcome.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

The Christmas exercises of the various Sunday schools were especially pleasing this season and attracted unusually large crowds. Santa Claus entertained the little ones handsomely and there were presents, candy and nuts in abundance. Besides at all the Christmas festivals songs and recitations formed part of the program and by means of which the children were taught the meaning of the observance of the day. The decorations were all pretty and appropriate to the season.

THE GREATEST DISCOVERY YET.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, colds, whooping cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on us as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at W. S. Carpenter's drug store.

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 be restored to you. Trial sizes 10c (10 doses 10c) large size 50c and \$1.00 of W. S. Carpenter.

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. SIMMONS, Village Collector.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

"Forty-four." A Happy New Year. White Rose gasoline, Nash Bros. Searchlight matches at Nash Bros. Additional local news on fifth page. Excellent coffee at Thompson's 25 cents.

House numbers for sale at Mertz & Mochel's.

Mrs. J. M. Barr has been quite ill the past week.

Hughes & Gallup have the finest potatoes in town.

Chocolate drops at 15c per pound at Mary Diener's.

This office will be closed all day on New Year's day.

Special perfumes for the holidays at Bush & Simonson's.

C. A. McCotter is spending the holidays with his family.

Miss Edith Graham is visiting in Plano during the holidays.

Hughes & Gallup have all kinds of feed, hay, grain and straw.

Elmer Escher is spending the holidays with friends in Wisconsin.

Get your candy at Mary Diener's. Nine cents to fifteen cents per pound.

Mrs. Kate Johnson of Chicago was a guest at Mrs. H. P. Kellogg's on Tuesday.

The Misses Jennie and Ruby Smart spent Christmas in the city with relatives.

Rev. H. H. Rood is enjoying a visit with his brother and family from Evanston.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fox of Clarendon Hills were visitors in Downers Grove Christmas.

Marion Stanley is spending the week with his cousins, Alice and Clara Cole, in Ottawa.

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

Miss Rosabel Bartle of Pullman is visiting with the family of her uncle, W. C. Bartle.

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

A bad wreck occurred on the Hammond and Western railroad at LaGrange yesterday.

Buy your New Year's turkeys at Klein's market. He has fine young fowls—all weights.

There is talk of considerable building here the coming season. Push it along. That's what we want.

Nice stock of hand sleds and toy express wagons at Mertz & Mochel's. Call and get prices before buying.

The explosion of a gasoline stove made things lively for E. Wootton's family Saturday morning, but no damage was done.

Rev. J. B. Silcox will lecture next week Friday evening, Jan. 6th. Subject, "Grip and Grip." Tickets on sale at the bank.

Through tickets and baggage checks may now be secured to all points within the United States and Canada at our local ticket office.

A turkey shoot was held last Friday on the farm of Wm. Reader, at which some of our local sportsmen distinguished themselves.

Chicago prices duplicated at Buck's tea and coffee house, North Foot street. Try his goods and you will always be a customer. Free delivery.

The supervisors of the county last week ordered the old county vault building torn down and removed to the county farm, where the material can be used in the erection of a new building.

Anyone who is able to pay ordinary rent can purchase a comfortable and convenient home now by calling at Exchange Office. I have a few bargains in that line if taken soon. D. G. Graham.

A pair of girl twins by the name of Knowles now ornament the home of J. I. Weir. They arrived Tuesday night and mother and children are doing nicely under the kind care of Mr. and Mrs. Weir.

Mrs. Ida M. Coffin of Rock Island, and Mrs. C. Burnidge of Elgin are spending the week visiting with their brother, C. F. Davis. Mark Davis and Miss Mary A. Davis of Lisle, are also his guests for a few days.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, teeter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. S. Carpenter.

"Forty-four." Dry kindling at Brode's. National Light oil at Nash Bros. Coffee 12 lbs. for \$1.00 at Nash's. Hughes & Gallup—olives in bulk. Hughes & Gallup have fine sweet cider.

Universal food choppers at the Brode Hdw. Co.

Thompson has reasonable fruits and vegetables.

Eastern soft coal at Brode's. See different kinds.

A. B. Cole and family were up from Ottawa over Sunday.

Miss C. M. Tilton has gone to Beloit, Wis., to spend the winter.

Mabel Radell is visiting with her grandparents in Wisconsin.

Be sure and try Buck's new brand of B. B. coffee. Only 30 cts. per pound.

Mrs. Courtright will sell all hats, Tams, and notions at cost until sold.

Miss Ida Fell of Englewood, is the guest of Miss Kittie Smart, this week.

Get your house numbers of Brode Hardware Co., as they carry regulation size.

The club dancing class has been discontinued owing to the small attendance.

Mrs. Wm. Fraenkel is visiting this week with Mrs. S. A. Phillips in Chicago.

The regular monthly meeting of the village board will be held Monday evening.

Broken and home-made mixed candy 10 cts. per pound, 3 lbs. for 25 cts. at Nash Bros.

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

Hughes & Gallup take orders for groceries. Leave them at the coal office or grocery.

Try Hughes & Gallup's new pancake flour. It goes good with our fine table syrup. Try them both.

Almost all our second-hand stoves are sold. Call if you want one cheap. Brode Hardware Company.

Mrs. L. P. Naramore entertains her Sunday school class of girls this Thursday afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Marvin were the guests of the former's parents at Naperville on Christmas day.

An early morning blaze at Hinsdale Wednesday destroyed a frame building on the east side of Washington street.

Alfred L. Brown and wife of Gowrie, Ia., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown, and the family of L. B. Gesner.

Order your choice teas and coffees at Buck's tea and coffee store on North Foot street. Goods are the best and prices are right.

For carrying ashes, coal, feed, etc., those galvanized baskets that Brode sells are just the thing. Bushel and bushel-and-half sizes.

Miss Ada E. Buckingham desires to announce that the Central Art Studio will be open on New Year's day and the public is cordially invited to call.

The many friends of L. A. Constantine of the Aurora Post will be pleased to learn of his appointment by President McKinley as postmaster at Aurora.

Miss Doris Fraenkel entertained a small party of friends Monday evening. Music and games served to pleasantly pass the evening, and refreshments were served.

Miss Mattie Crouse, who formerly resided in Downers Grove, was married at Indianapolis, Dec. 22, to Mr. John Morlan of Newcastle, Ind. Miss Crouse is a sister of Mrs. J. W. Worley.

What! You never used Emolene oil? Why, if you use Emolene oil once, you will never use any other. Leave an order with W. S. Carpenter at the Central Block drug store and be your own judge.

For Sale Cheap—50 or 100 foot lot, 150 feet deep, west front on Washington street, between Maple avenue and Randall street. For particulars address V. Fredenhagen, village, or 177 LaSalle street, Chicago.

Through tourist sleeping cars for California leave Chicago at 10:20 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. BURGER, Agent.

Great Cures proved by thousands of testimonials show that Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses power to purify, vitalize and enrich the blood.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to be taken with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

MORE ABOUT COL. CHAS. P. BRYAN

Every Indication Points to His Confirmation as Minister to China.

Notwithstanding the fight against Colonel Bryan with reference to his appointment as minister to China, the DuPage statesman has assurance from President McKinley that he will receive the mission. In view of the threatened troubles in China, this is regarded as the most important position in the diplomatic service.

Chairman Hill of the foreign affairs committee of the house, and Ex-Secretary John W. Foster are earnest advocates of Mr. Bryan as minister to China, and it is the impression at the white house that Bryan will be confirmed promptly enough when the senate meets again. Senator Cullom, in discussing this appointment, said: "If Mr. Bryan should not be confirmed for the Chinese mission there is no certainty that another Illinoisian would be chosen. As a matter of state pride, therefore, he will be supported by both Illinois senators."

Both branches of the legislature, without regard to partisanship, on Tuesday paid Charles Page Bryan the unusual compliment of enthusiastically and unanimously endorsing his selection as minister to China. The resolutions adopted which originated in the senate and was later approved by the house, reads: "Whereas, the president, having appointed Charles Page Bryan minister to China, resolved by the senate, the house of representatives concurring herein, that, recognizing his high character, sterling integrity and special fitness for diplomatic service, we do hereby heartily endorse his selection."

LISLE SALOON KNOCKED OUT.

Edward Riedy and Henry Grumhouse appeared before the board of supervisors Tuesday, with a petition signed by 264 out of the 516 voters who cast their ballots at the last election. The signers thought the public good of Lisle demanded a dram shop there, and with that end in view signed the petition. While they had been at work getting signers, Rev. W. F. Teel of Lisle, was also actively engaged getting signers to a petition against a saloon being established there, and both petitions were presented to the board. The license committee deliberated over the matter for about one hour, and then brought in a report that the petition for a license was not sufficient to grant a license under the statute, and they recommended that a license be not granted.

WILL EXTEND THE ELECTRIC.

The LaGrange News is authority for the statement that a dozen wide-awake men are organizing a company to continue the Suburban Electric from LaGrange Park west to Fullersburg, 8½ miles, and then to Warrenville, 12½ miles further, and then to Batavia, with branches to Previso center, Downers Grove, Naperville, Wheaton, and Bloomingdale. The News says many of the men are wealthy and it will be much mistaken if the enterprise is not carried through. The whole distance to be constructed is about 50 miles, and the line would run about midway between the Burlington and the North-western railways.

SHUTS OUT PEDDLERS.

The "Q" officials recently issued an order to their agents prohibiting them from allowing traveling grocerymen to deliver goods to their customers from depots or cars, believing it to be an injustice to local retail dealers. Their plans are to canvass a section of the country and notify their patrons to call at the depot on a certain day and receive their goods. They claim to sell at wholesale because they are at no expense of furnishing room, paying taxes, or other incidental expenses connected with the legitimate grocery business.

WANT TO BUY A FARM?

We offer for sale a farm of 200 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'S office.

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 Nebraska. Copies may be had without charge upon application.

EDW. SHANNAN MUST

JUDGE WILLIS DENIES MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL IN MURDER CASE.

WILL BE SENTENCED JANUARY 1.

Friends and Relatives of the Convicted Wife Murderer Endeavored to Secure the Inanity of Shannan.

Judge Willis presided in the circuit court last week Wednesday to hear arguments supporting the motion for a new trial in the Shannan case. Attorneys Cooper and Goodrich claimed for the defendant that the verdict was excessive and contrary to law and not justified from the evidence in the case. That the verdict was a surprise to everyone. The Fletcher case which was tried in this county on a change of venue from Kane county in 1894, was quoted in great length, touching on the cumulated evidence portion.

The attorneys had discovered a mass of new evidence, which was supported by eleven affidavits, substantially claiming that Shannan had been insane for many years. Prominent among these affidavits were those of Shannan's children, who claimed that in their home the mother and children had often talked of taking the father to the insane court and have him taken to an asylum. He had delusions from excessive use of intoxicating liquors and from injuries received to his head when a boy. Benjamin V. Jones, who spent six months in the jail with Shannan, affirmed to the defendant's peculiarities and thought him not of sound mind.

Both attorneys Cooper and Goodrich made telling arguments in favor of the defendant, but the law which they had based their affidavits on was attacked in a disastrous manner by State Attorney Wright of Boone county, assisted by M. Stusser of our county.

Judge Willis carefully noted all the points as given by the attorneys, and especially the closing by L. C. Cooper, who made a personal appeal for the life of the defendant in a voice choked with emotion. His honor sat for several minutes in deep thought, weighing well in the balance of justice the life of a human being.

"I think I have given the defendant a fair and impartial trial. The defendant was given the benefit of every doubt when a ruling was made during the trial. Public sentiment is in favor of sympathy, owing to the extreme age of the defendant cannot be observed in the discharge of my duty. When the jury returned with their verdict I hoped the extreme penalty had not been imposed, but the jury under their oaths made the verdict which now stands. I have given all the time reasonably asked for, hoping the people in the locality where the crime was committed would relent and be satisfied with a less severe penalty. As they do not there is nothing left to do but to carry into effect the verdict of the jury. I wish I could look at the series of affidavits presented as a justification for granting a new trial. The only reason for a new trial would be one of mercy instead of justice. The affidavits all touch on defendant's insanity and that question was fairly presented to the jury and settled by them in their verdict. If that verdict was set aside I would be trifling with justice. Never was there a case prosecuted with the same apparent fairness that was this case, and never did a defendant's attorney work harder for no pay than in the case in question. No one in the future will have cause to regret the result of this trial, as justice has been rendered, tempered with mercy."

No formal order was entered that a motion for a new trial had been overruled, but it was generally understood. On January 30th Judge Willis will return, enter the motion and pronounce the death sentence. Attorneys for the defense will not give up the fight but will continue hunting for evidence which will save Shannan's life. Five of Shannan's children, two sisters, and a sister-in-law were in court. One of the sisters pleaded with the court for mercy. Shannan got up and went to her, telling her not to say anything about it, but to sit down. When court adjourned the children visited with their father for a short time.

Have you tried Buck's tea and coffee? They are giving general satisfaction. Free delivery at all times.

State of Illinois, County of DuPage, ss. I, the undersigned, being a Justices of the Peace in and for the County of DuPage, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings in the case of Edward Riedy and Henry Grumhouse vs. Charles Page Bryan, as shown to me by the said Charles Page Bryan, and that the same were read to and by the jury in the said case, and that the same were returned to me by the said jury, and that the same were filed in my office on the 22nd day of December, 1897.

W. S. CARPENTER, Justice of the Peace.

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