terday.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD

All members of the village board were present last Friday at a special meeting called to fix rates for commer- Edwards, contains an interesting decial electric lights. The object of the scription of New Mexico. The writer is meeting was not accomplished, how- a daughter of Rev. E. L. Scofield and is ever, the trustees deeming a more thor- well known here: ough investigation of the matter of rates to be necessary and desirable. committee composed of Trustees Bush. Prince, Mochel and Hughes will inquire into the methods and rates of neighboring villages and cities and report at

the next regular meeting. An ordinance, prepared by Attorney Slusser providing for the licensing of Let me say now that we like it here; electrical engineers, was read, passed and approved, and is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE providing for the licensing of electricians in the village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, Ill. Be it ordained by the president and board of trustees of the village of

Downers Grove, DuPage county, Ill.; Section 1. That any person desiring to do business in the village of Downers Grove as an electrician shall first obtain a license as such electrician from the president of said village, and shall pay an annual license fee therefor of ten dollars and from the time of the grant ing a license in any case until the close of the fiscal year a ratable portion of said annual fee shall be charged. No person shall receive a license as electrician who shall not have attained the age of twenty-one years and who shall not furnish satisfactory evidence of his responsibility and skill as an electrician, and of his ability in accordance with the rules, regulations and ordinances of the said village of Downers Grove; and provided, further, that no license shall be issued under the provisions of this ordinance until the applicant shall execute a bond, with two or more sureties, to be approved by the village board, in the penal sum of one thousand dollars, conditioned that he will indemnify and save harmless the village of Downers Grove from all ac cidents and damages arising from any negligence or unskillfulness on his part in either the execution or protection of his work, or from any unfaithful or inadequate work done under or by virtue of his license, and will faithfully comply with all the rules, regulations and ordinances of the village of Downers

Section 2. When two or more persons are co-partners licenses shall issue in the name of the firm, and no license shall be transferred.

Section 3. Every licensed electrician shall be held responsible for all of the acts of his agents or employes done by virtue of his said license.

Section 4. The work of all licensed electricians shall be in conformity to such rules, regulations and ordinances as may be from time to time prescribed by the village of Downers Grove, and a top growth of but 6 to 8 inches, but such work shall be under the direct supervision of the electrical engineer of the village and shall be performed to his satisfaction.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and legal publication.

Passed February 9, 1900.

Approved February 9, 1900. P. C. GALLUP, President, BERT C. WHITE, Village Clerk. The bond of M. K. Brunson as plumber

was approved. It was moved and carried that the president have 500 pamphlets printed, containing certain sections of the "Public Health Laws of Illinois," concerning contagious and infectious dis-

eases. The same to be placed in the hands of the health officer for distribution. The matter of engaging an electrical engineer was deferred to a later date.

pending further examination of the candidates for the position. Board adjourned till the next regular

meeting.

WITH THE MERCHANTS.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin convinces you of its merits the first dose you take.

The Senour loor paints are the best on the market, For sale by Hughes & Gallup.

Will exchange dentistry for hay, oats, grain, or potatoes. Dr. A. W

The only party in town to engage his whole time in the sale of oil and drugs on hand and solicit a call, promgasoline is Hoit. All else being equal, ising the very best of everything. you should trade with him.

Every suit or overcoat Brunson turns out strengthens his reputation for furnishing the best. His prices are consistent with true merit.

Fresh oysters direct from Baltimore, shucked and canned the day of shipment, in quart cans at Hughes & Gallup's. Far superior to sloppy bulk goods.

D. G. Graham has legal blanks and which causes much suffering an inall facilities for execution of wills and has had years of successful experience in that line, Give him a call. Charges

LETTER FROM NEW MEXICO.

The following letter, from a former resident of Downers Grove to W. H.

"Roswell, N. M. Mr. W. H. Edwards: Dear Sir-Yours of recent date came this evening, and as you are liable to get but a business letter from Mr. R., I take the literty of answering your perfectly natural questions in regard to this strange land to which we have come. not only because Mr. R. is improving in health and gaining in flesh, but it has so many new untried experiences—so wild; we are surrounded by prairie dance. where once the buffalo herds roamed and "Lo, the poor Indian." followed closely after. The prairie dogs are still here and go barking into their holes as we drive by. Back in the mountains are deer, elk, bear, wild cats, rattlesuakes, wolves, etc., but as no one but Chicago hunters and Mexiwild, but in an average gathering ev. bargains. ery state if not city in the union will be represented, and they are people of the higher classes-many health seekers. Since the opening of the Pecos valley by a railroad this town has grown from 800 to 3,000 in less than two years. We recently drove to one of the finest ranches in the U.S. recently. It contains 20,000 acres, 13,000 of which is in alfalfa, all irrigated. It is stocked with 2,000 head of cattle and 25,000 lambs, while 38 men are employed. We have 75 artesian wells, one of which sends a 6-inch stream 28 feet high; a \$25,000

school house, fine court house, five fine churches; ours is of cut stone, art windows, a \$4,000 house, all paid for. Our Wednesday Afternoon Club has eighty ing women enrolled. A men's club has 100 members, with public reading rooms, etc. House rents, appetites and prices are all big here. We pay \$30 per month for a 3-room cottage, but were lucky to get it at that price. Hundreds of fine families live in tents until they can build their six, eight or even ten thousand dollar homes. The climate is superb. Christmas and New Years we sat on the front porch and enjoyed the glorious sun-sets, for which this country is justly noted. Ice has formed one or two nights, but aside from that the air has been balmy, soft, dry, cool, bracing. You can drive out two or three miles and shoot all the about it. ducks you care to. The wood we burn may interest you. There is three kinds -juniper and Texas pine, which grow in the mountains, and the mesquite root which is dug on the plains. This

looks like large grape vines and shows

when struck with a grubbing hoe some-

times 15 to 20 feet of root comes to

light. It sells at \$6 per cord and burns

like hard coal. During the past two

years 2,000 miles of irrigation ditches

have been dug in this vicinity, and

four good meals and a lunch or two ev-

ery day keeps peace in the family.

Our church has let a contract for a nice

little cottage for a parsonage to-day,

so in 30 days we shall have a home.

They often contract for a house and in

less than a week the parties are living

in it. They do not plaster their houses

here, but put on siding, building paper,

rough boards, canvas, and fine paper

and as the woodwork is fine teaswood.

it needs but one coat of hard oil to

Truly yours, Mrs. V. C. Rocho."

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Yours truly, Bush & SIMONSON,

Richard Sucher and nephew, Mr.

Naperville seventeen years ago and has

been engaged in the clothing business

until lately. His father is still living.

but is suffering from a chronic ailment

Artistic wall paper at Buck's.

Try Morris' Standard gasoline.

convenience,-Clarion,

make a good finish inside. * *

triffe less in price. J. W. Nash, sole

commence in a few days on a large contract in Chicago.

with moisture thus obtained all kinds of fruit trees, including peach, plum, apple, apricot, fig, do well here. Some 53 Gilbert Ave. (some three months towns. The district is extremely rich things we don't have here are tramps, ago). Loss just discovered. Highly in agriculture and minerals. Business locks on our doors, musquitoes, grippe, and neither extreme of hot or cold weather. The only danger that threatens us as a family is that we will starve E. J. Eberwine. to death between meals. At present

A. Lundberg, an electrician of long experience, has located in Downers septic cabinet which he has placed in Grove and opened a shop in the base- his barber shop for the protection ment of the bank building. Contracts his customers. It consists of a case will be taken for wiring houses and in- which all his tools, towels and imple stalling fittings for electric lights. Mr. ments are placed before using. An al Lundberg comes highly recommended cohol lamp burns disinfecting tablets. as a superior workman and has many the vapor of which permeates the case letters of reference from prominent and destroys any disease germs which business houses of Chicago, where he might be upon any of the utensils.

A special Lincoln memorial service was held at the Congregational church last Sunday evening. Rev. Libby took for the subject of his address "Lincoln, itzhoff at Carpenter's Hall, on St. Valthe Man, the Statesman, the Soldier entine's day, proved a complete sucand Emancipator," Eulogy and praise cess in spite of the snowstorm that "club" designated in the slander was We wish to notify the citizens of without stint were bestowed upon the raged, there being about sixty ladies this county that we have secured the character and public services of the present. The lecturer spoke in such an agency for Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin most prominent personage of modern interesting and convincing manner on: the great cure for constipation, indi- times. Special musical features were "Facts Women Should Know," that gestion, sick headache and stomach also parts of the program. Carlile the audience was all attention throughtrouble, and guarontee it to do as rec. Tucker and Miss Florence White of out the discourse. At the close of the ommended. We always keep the best Plattsmouth, Neb., gave solos and the same the speaker promised to give the choruses by the full choir were excep- ladies another talk on Feb. 28 at Cartionally well rendered.

Reference and a second and a se ..Local and Personal Paragraphs..

White Rose gasoline, Nash's. National Light oil at Nash's. Buy Standard oil of E. E. Morris. Additional local news on fifth page. Piano to rent; inquire at Straube's

The only place in town to buy blue flame oil is at Nash's.

Mrs. Edwin Frank and daughter returned from Naperville Monday.

If you want a high grade article buy a can of Ferndale pineapple, at Nash's. Carl Buchta was over from Wheaton much to learn. As you suggest, it is Tuesday night so attend the firemen's

> Miss Minnie Reed of Evanston was guest at the home of Mrs. Libby for a few days this week.

Men's Light-weight Buckle Arctics, sizes 6 to 8, at 75 cents per pair while they last. J. W. Nash.

J. B. Moss' closing out sale is rapidly cans frequent the mountains it does clearing out his grocery stock. You not matter much. The people are not will have to call early to secure the

Rev. E. W. Annable spoke in the Baptist church Sunday, John Bradbury gave a talk before the young people on the Klondike.

Isn't it surprising how cheap C. S. Hughes is selling his Wall Paper? And the patterns are beautiful and the quality of paper so good.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold an oyster supper in the Congregational church on the evening of March 2d. A general invitation is extended to all.

Don't forget the sociable at Mrs. C. B, Blodgett's on Maple avenue. Come and bring your friends with you. It will be something new and entertain-

On account of removal, my household furniture, garden tools, etc., are subject to private sale. Cheap for cash, Please call atternoons, Adella H. Brode, 74 N. Main street.

The 'Windsor' collars and cuffs ar just the thing for wheelmen, railroad and traveling men. The longer they are worn the better they are liked Never wilt. Nash sells them.

A thing of beauty is a joy forever Our samples of Wall Paper just go ahead of anything ever seen in town, and the price will surprise you, they are so cheap. Call and ask C. S. Hughes

Shirt satisfaction-that's what you have when you wear the "B and B Red Line." They're different from those you find on shop shelves, and just a

has been employed as millwright for nearly a year past at the great glucose Schoffeld. works at Kankakee. He expects to

table cloth, between 73Maple Ave. and Hotels are wanted in a number of good prized as a keepsake of loved one now will be good. For particulars address dead. Return to postmaster or either E. W. Farnham, Industrial Commisstreet No. and receive reward. Mrs. sioner, C., B. & Q., 209 Adams street,

has executed work in his line.

The Oaks Dramatic club of Austin W. H. Edwards, cashier of the Farmhas been secured by the Downers Grove ers & Merchants bank, has a curiouty Freeman, who had come from Iowa to club for an evening of comedy to be in the form of a ten dollar treasury attend a wedding at Downers Grove given at the Auditorium, Saturday note, which he secured of Mr. Lehman last week, dropped in on Naperville ac. evening, March 3d. Mr. and Mrs. J. K. of Lace, who was unfortunate enough quaintances Friday. Mr. Sucher left O'Neil, who have before appeared here, to accept it in a business transaction. are the leading people of the organiza- The note is a genuine treasury bill and tion and never fail to please. The club | the curious part of it is that some forwill present a comedy in two acts, en- | mer owner of the bill had earefully titled "The Doctor," by Wm. Boyle erased the figures and words of the Bernard, and "The Baron's Wager," amount evidently with the intention of a comedicate in one act. Admission raising the figures. Wherever the fig will be 25 cents, with reserved seats 35 | ures "\$10" or the word "ten" occurred cents. Tickets may be secured of club the figure "1" and the word "ten" members and at the drug stores.

Oil. Family Safety. No amoke; no more dim chimneys. The best oil in town, only 14c per gal.

at Nash's.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush is quite ill with tonsilitis. year. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kostka are the

proud parents of a boy baby born yes-

Some small sizes in rubbers at 10 cents per pair to close them out. John W. Nash.

Miss Inez MoVean was given a surprise party last night by a number o her young friends.

church are arranging to secure Colonel P. E. Holp of Chicago for a lecture in the near future.

New York buckwheat, Clover Hill butter, Vermont maple syrup, is combination that cannot be excelled. You will find it at Nash's.

P. Shoenhoffen Edel weiss Beer, purest and best in the world. Orders taken delivered by Albert Janawiak, Downers Grove. Post office box 516.

Beginning with the meeting of Feb ruary 21st the Wednesday club will occupy the parlors of the Downers Grove club for the remaining meetings of this

The ladies of the East Grove Sewing society met Feb. 7th at the home of Mrs, Fred Crouse, and adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. J. C. F. Roemeiss Feb. 21st.

The lady of the house finds her work easy when supplied with the necessary things in hardware, Granite Ware, etc. We sell the best goods manufactured at lowest prices. C. S. Hughes.

The B. & B. Red Line is well equipped to make comfortable a large portion of the sterner sex on their journey through the shirt world. You can purchase transportation at low rates at Nash's.

I would like to have ladies and gentlemen, who are willing to work with me on good wages, write and I will give further information. Addis Armstrong, No. 46 Grove street, Downers

at the home of Mrs. C. B. Blodgett on Thursday evening of this week, Feb. 15th. An enjoyable programme has been prepared and everybody is most cordially invited to be present.

A silk stocking sociable will be held

twenty thousand dollars in Downers O. J. Daily is at home this week. He not expect a fair share of the trade, program that was given: now that I am in business here? L. G.

The new country in Northwest Nebraska and Wyoming being opened up by the Burlington Railroad offers a Liberal Reward-Lost-Fine linen great opportunity for hotel men.

> Edwin Frank has purchased an antithis way any possibility of the danger of contracting diseases from the tools or linen is obviated.

> The lecture given by Mary Rose Berpenter's Hall.

were carefully erased.

PATRIOTIC, BANQUET.

The event of the coming week will be the patriotic banquet given on Washington's birthday, at the Auditorium, by the ladies of the Methodist church. It will be remembered that given by the Downers Grove the first one of these annual events was held last year, and, in spite of in- o'clock the maskers commence At C. S. Hughes & Co.'s hardware clement weather and the prevalence of ing, and at 8:80, when the gran sickness in the village, it was a great Blue flame oil for blue flame stoves success. A glance at the program and menu following will give something of an idea of what may be expected this

> Cold Meat Carrant Jelly dashed potatoes Pickles Scalloped Oysters Cabbage with Cream Bressing Bread and Butter Ice Cream

The banquet is at 6:80. Admission 25 cents. Tickets at Bush & Simonson's drug store. Remember the date, Thurs- 8:80 until 10:30 o'clock the fancy day, night, Feb. 22. Seats at the ban-The ladies of the Congregational quet will be taken promptly at half past six o'clock.

> Music and Toasts.
> Rev. Truman R. Greene, Presiding. Mr. Filipino's Birthda Music - Quartet.

Mr. Harry Bryce Our Dutch and English Cousins .. W. J. Herring Harry S. Wheeler eorge Washington, the Ideat Patriot Men for the Hour. ... Howard P. Jones Music..... | a, "Amore del Cuor" Suider b, "America" ... Audience Joining

WEDNESDAY CLUB RECEIVES.

A delightful reception was given by the ladies of the Wednesday club at the home of Mrs. E. H. Prince on Oakwoods avenue Monday night. The reception was given in honor of the board of education, the school teachers and clergymen of the village and was attended by a large party, nearly two hundred people being present. The guests were received by Mrs. E. H. Prince and Mrs. E. C. Kuenzel, the president of the Wednesday club, in the handsome reception room. At nine o'clock a prearranged program was given which consisted of selections by an orobestra Knepzel, A. E. Courtright, Heintz, Wm. Roth, F. C. Lancaster and Wm. Lancaster, together with plane duets by Mesdames J. C. White and E. H. Libby, and vocal selections by Carlile partment will clear about Incker, all of which were well received will be applied in the payment and called forth repeated encores. During the evening the guests were ushered to the dining room, where a buffet luncheon of sandwiches, coffee and Since 1880 I have expended over olives, was served. The orchestra closed the program with a selection Grove. If I sell good goods cheap and and the function came to an end about do as near right as I know how, may I midnight. Following is the musical

> Short Solo-Come Where the Lindens Bloom Carlile Tucker. Piano Duet-Marche Herriques Mendames J. C. White and R. H. Libby. ocal Solo | a. Polk Song Chadwick Scotch Song Carlife Tacker.

THE WRONG CLUB.

Some of the ladies (?) of the village, either through ignorance or malice. are endeavoring to bring the Downers Grove club into disrepute, and to that end have been circulating stories to its detriment. The officers and members of the Downers Grove club hearing the stories circulated, immediately be gan an investigation of the charges, being fully satisfied in their own minds of the falseness of the story. The per sons who had been instrumental in spreading the libelous slander on too good name of the club were interviewed and admitted their share in the gossip. It finally developed that the "club" of young men and boys who have rented the rooms on the second floor of the Oldfield building, over the Chinese laundry, and that it was frequenters of this organization and not of the Downers Grove club that were concerned in the charges. This 'club.' in the minds of the gossip venders, we conflicted with the Downers Grove club, and the story implicating the lat-

ter organization resulted. A FAIR RECORD.

L. G. Schofield sold in 1899 over eight Luis hundred garments in men's and boys' clothing. Every garment ordered was delivered and paid for in full. Not one! dollar lost, one garment rejected or one garment on hand. With the year's | Cases B Graves experience and greatly increased facilities he hopes to double his trade in 1900

The patronage at the closing out sale at J. B. Moss's has been goods at law prices is the

FIREMEN'S MASQUERADE

People in all sorts of costum

resenting the inhabitants of

tions, danced on masque Tuesda

at the first annual masqu fire department. Shortly after began, fully 175 people crowd field's hall to its fullest capacit fact, the crowd was almost too for comfort, but the firemen as comfortable as possible and the proceeded with the best of order good feeling. Music was furn Varolia Brothers' orchestra of and was pronounced excellent. Th was certainly the most succ any masquerade ever given in Grove, and the fremen cont making it an annual occurrence. tumed crowd danced with fee ered. Heavy Dutchmen, negroes and staid farmers danced with To fairies and dainty little ladies of olden time, while knights, lords, M cans and Indians whirled waltzes and two-steps with witch ladies, old maids and stately old of the time of Washington, At 10 masks were removed and the prises a nounced. C. F. Davis and the cians officiated as judges, and Best Costume Long Resterment First Bent Dressed Lady-Miss fancy contume-Umbreila, by L. E. Best Dressed Gest-H. Elstier.

Second Best Dressed Gent P. F. Most Comically Dressed Lady Vociferancias, witch-Bottle Peris . Carpenter. Pattest Lady - Mrs. Dick Uhl

Chair, by C. F. Davis. Fattest Man-Harry Mochel-Plus, Most Comically Dressed Cout Tout andguth, tramp Pocket Knife, by J.W.

Best Topoy-Will Frank-Tullet Best Farmer-Frank Brown WM Bondlinst Lady-Mrs. W. H. C.

in the anti-rooms. The

in the neighborhood of and indebtedness

GRAND JURY.

The following are grand jure the March term of circuit cour convenes at Wheaton, March Addison-C. A. Frances, Was Bloomingdale-Herman Wella Muchifelt.

Wayne Charles Reed. Winfield-Beary Bradley, W. T. Box Sanders Higgies. Milton-E. H. McChenny, Kampp, L. L. Hista York-John Flecher, Ernes

brook, Albert Ohlerich. Downers Grove Bruce E Geo, P. Luce, H. I. Sayder, Meritt Con

Naperville-Wm. Barker, Phil Ber ler, James J. Hunt: Liste-Ass Bannister, A. Riddler.

PRITT JURY. Addison-Fred Traichler, Wayne-Al Voight C Bert Barber.

Winfield-Ed. Belding, M. J. T Lester Wiant, John Staffes, Fred B ser, Geo. Rehm, John Anders Milton-Geo, W. Bright, A.W. D.

York-Louis Heineman, Jr., Timke, John Neuman, Wm. C T. E. Clack, A. E. Hills, Henry M. meyer, John Hingat. Downers Grove-E. H. Balley,

Histor, C. K. Hoe, C. F. Sayder, Rohmer, E. J. Fairchild, Coo. E. 8. Hinckley.

isle—Asa Bannister Naperville-B. F. Hower, Hughes, C. E. Stoos, Fred 1 John Augsberg, Geo. Diehl.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Following is the report of the rooms in the Downers Grove for the month of January

