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A SLUGGING MATCH.

BUNCHED HITS WON OUT IN THE EIGHTH INNING.

Downers Grove Takes a Game Played in the Mud and Water—Large Attendance and Receipts Heavy.

As the season advances the Downers Grove Baseball club goes right ahead improving with every game, thanks to the excellent management of Richard Morden, who in five short weeks has succeeded in bringing order out of chaos and presenting to the village a well-developed club of ball players of which the Grove residents can feel proud. It goes to show what it is possible to accomplish with the right man in the right place, backed by a few enterprising, progressive citizens. Then, too, considerable local interest has recently been awakened in the game, as the increased numbers in attendance on each succeeding Saturday prove. People who take an interest in the sport and fall to witness the games played on the home grounds on Saturdays between Dick's Farmers and the best amateur talent from the city and suburbs will surely miss a treat to something good. The individual members of the club recognize the importance of harmony, and feel that, with a strict observance of the rules of the game and obedience to the mandates of those in authority, they will be successful. Now, Dick and his Farmers want the public to understand that clean and gentlemanly ball can be played in Downers Grove as well as elsewhere; that the best of order will at all times prevail on the grounds, and that ladies especially, who have a desire to witness a ball game, and whose presence always lends a refining influence, may go out to the grounds with the assurance that they will be respected and not have their modesty shocked by vulgarity and profanity. The visiting club, the Elroy's, "the terror of the north side," Chicago, by long odds the strongest aggregation with which the local club has had to contend this season, is composed of players of several years' standing, who are well up in ball tactics, brought out with them a picked battery. But this last fact cut no figure with Dick's Farmers. A larger number than usual saw the game last Saturday in spite of the fact that ominous clouds overspread the northern and western skies previous to the opening of the game, and for a time it appeared as if the opposing teams would be deprived of the exquisite pleasure of measuring bats. Once on the grounds, however, and all anxious for the fray, the Farmers appearing at home for the first time in their handsome new uniforms, which were greatly admired by the ladies, with the fans and rosters yelling, Umpire O'Malley started the game promptly at 3:30. Less than a half inning had been played, however, when there came a regular downpour that stopped the game for nearly half an hour, compelling the players and spectators to seek shelter in order to avoid a thorough drenching. While the heavy rain failed to dampen the ardor of the players it left the grounds in a wretched condition. However, the game proceeded in earnest, and, although it was a slugging match and the score representing two figures, it was by far the most interesting of any game yet played here and the hardest earned victory for Downers Grove. "Great guns!" said George Rice, as he trotted out into left. "Boys, we will be hoodooed! Get onto the coon," as the latter, who was supposed to be the Elroy's mascot, strode over and took possession of the first bag. "Now," said the Elroy's captain to his team, "do you see those three red-headed Farmers over there? We are up against it. Get in the game and play ball with all your might." The large number of errors made by both teams can be attributed to the wet ball and grounds rather than to inferior or reckless playing. The Elroy's are hard hitters, swift runners and superb fielders, two of the total number of hits to their credit being two-baggers. They succeeded in locating our pitcher for several sky-scrapers, but they found repose in the mits of George Rice, while the sundry foul flies that sought refuge in and around the grand stand were successfully cared for by the affable and agile gentleman not wholly unconnected with the oil business, and who was the first of the Farmers to swat the sphere two bags' worth. John Davis, who is always in the game, also rapped Murphy for a two-bagger. Joe Duncan again played an errorless game behind the bat, making five hits, one a two-bagger, and five runs. Billy Skeels, who occupied the box for the home club, pitched excellently in spite of the mud. Harry B.teman, whose arm was not in first-class condition, was unable to play, but he hopes to be in trim by next Saturday, when the club, accompanied by a good crowd from the Grove, will go

over and beat Naperville. Manager Morden says "thanks, awfully," for the liberal contributions of last Saturday toward the support of the club. Following is the score:

Downers Grove	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Colville, 1st b.	5	1	2	5	0	1
Duncan, Joe	5	5	11	0	0	0
Davis, Jack	4	2	3	0	3	1
Webster, 3d b.	4	1	1	7	2	0
Wimmer, c.	2	1	0	0	0	3
Rice, I. F.	4	1	0	0	0	0
Skeels, p.	2	1	0	1	0	0
Petrie, 1st b.	3	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	15	27	15	6	5

Elroy's	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Spaugler, 2d b.	5	2	1	2	0	2
Murphy, 3d b.	5	2	1	2	0	2
Schmidt, c.	4	1	0	8	1	0
O'Malley, c.	4	1	0	3	0	0
Phelan, c.	4	1	0	3	0	0
Smith, 1st b.	5	1	3	0	0	0
O'Grady, 1st b.	5	1	1	0	0	0
Cassidy, p.	2	2	0	10	1	0
Giblin, c.	3	1	3	1	0	0
Totals	42	13	24	15	5	2

Score by innings—Downers Grove, 5 1 0 3 1 1 0 4 15—Elroy's, 2 2 0 3 3 1 0 0 11

Umpires—O'Malley and Colville. Score—Darsley. Time of game—Two hours and thirty-five minutes.

BROKE HIS NOSE.

Two foreigners from the city have recently rented the Craig place and opened a junk shop, and thereby hangs a tale. One of the parties purchased some junk from Gary Wallace. His partner, not knowing of the circumstance, approached Mr. Wallace with a view of buying his surplus junk. Not being very well acquainted with the English language he had considerable trouble in expressing himself and, it is stated, Mr. Wallace thinking that the man was "stringing" him, promptly shot out his right and landed squarely on the dog's nose, with the result that his chatter was stopped forthwith and the Italian was compelled to seek the services of a surgeon to repair the broken bones in his nasal organ. The injured party, who was physically unable to combat his opponent, had recourse to the law and entered a complaint before Justice Graham charging his assailant with assault with intent to do great bodily harm. The case will be tried tonight.

GEO. MANSFIELD'S SUDDEN DEATH.

Word was received Tuesday of the death of George Mansfield, who left here last week, Wednesday, for Brooklyn, Florida. He was overcome by the heat while en route to his new home. Some time ago Mr. Mansfield traded his East Grove property for a Florida farm, and left on the car with his household goods and stock Wednesday. His wife and family followed on the passenger train. A letter received states that his death occurred while within twenty miles of his destination. Will. Winters, who accompanied Mr. Mansfield in the car, attributes his death to overheating and the two liberally drinking of iced water. The body will be brought back to Chicago for burial.

NOTICE FOR SEALED BIDS.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of District No. 2, township 38, range 11, offers for sale the front part of the Maple avenue school-house, and will receive sealed bids for same up to July 18th, 1900. The bids are to be given to J. W. Worley, chairman of the buildings and grounds committee. The blackboard in said building and the bell are excepted from the offer. The building must be torn down and all brick, stone, wood and trash removed within three weeks from the opening of bids, July 18th, 1900. By order of the Board of Education. O. M. Searles, secretary.

A LIFE AND DEATH FIGHT.

Mr. W. A. Hines, of Manchester, Iowa, writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after measles induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages, and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I begged to see Dr. King's New Discovery, which wholly cured me. Hundreds have used it on my advice, and all say it never fails to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles." Regular size, 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free at Bush & Simonson's Drug Store.

GLORIOUS NEWS.

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but now her health is excellent." Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50c. Sold by Bush & Simonson, druggists. Guaranteed.

Why go elsewhere to buy binder twice when you can get good, guaranteed standard or steel binder at 10c per pound. Deering standard or steel at 15c per pound and Deering standard manila at 12c at Metz & Mochel's.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Soeta Clayton tea at Haller's. Burns Muzey's Pennsylvania oil. Additional local news on fifth page. Grated cheese for macaroni at Haller's.

M. K. Bush was home from Cleveland over Sunday.

Mrs. A. Johnston's bakery goods are best. Try them.

Mrs. J. D. McVann left Friday for Nebraska for an extended trip.

Mrs. George Hinds, of Chicago, was a visitor here last Wednesday.

Grenville Fridham is spending his vacation in Grenville, Canada.

Have Johnson's wagon call for your laundry. Good work guaranteed.

Samuel O. Carliss has returned for a visit with his uncle, R. O. Carliss.

A cousin of Mrs. A. J. Gray from Traer, Iowa, was her guest yesterday.

Mrs. F. L. Sloat came out and spent yesterday afternoon with her husband.

Howard Fairweather left Tuesday for Salt Lake City to spend his vacation.

John Davis has moved his family to the Blanchard house on South Main street.

Charles A. Baker and family, of West Chicago, was here Sunday visiting old friends.

George H. Hoover, of Evanston, was the guest of Charles K. Roe and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Weber, of Chicago, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haller Sunday.

Miss Anna Shaw, of Ravenswood, is spending a week with her cousin, Miss Lillian Hancock.

Prof. O. M. Searles spent last week at New Carlisle, Ind. His family remained for a longer visit.

Mrs. Horace C. Dutton has recently returned from a trip through the west with her husband.

Henry Hughes has gone west with a surveying party whose headquarters are at Creston, Iowa.

Hughes & Gallup have put in a stock of paints and oils—the Monarch ready mixed and Senour floor paints.

Miss Calla M. Burgess, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. C. Kuanal, left yesterday for Broken Bow, Neb.

G. H. Bunge has disposed of the Hoover house, on Benton avenue, which he recently purchased, to Chicago parties.

M. C. Roe, of Grand Junction, Iowa, visited with his nephew, Charles, and other relatives here, the forepart of the week.

The installation ceremonies of the Knights of Pythias have been postponed until the next regular meeting night.

W. H. Blodgett and Lee E. Stanley recently returned from a short visit with the Walker family, at Plattsmouth, Neb.

Laundry done right at Johnson's steam laundry. We protect the clothes from wear as well as make them clean and attractive.

Mrs. A. E. Hammerschmidt, of Naperville, was the guest of her sisters-in-law, Messdames H. H. Woelfersheim and M. Straub, this week.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. George Welch, of Colchester, Ill., Thursday, July 5, a son. Mrs. Welch was formerly Miss Ida Bryce, of Downers Grove.

Oil. Family Safety. No smoke; no more dim chimneys. The best oil in town, only 14c per gallon, at C. S. Hughes & Co.'s hardware store.

Croquet sets and hammocks at Metz & Mochel's.

Edna Radke, of Chicago, is visiting the family of S. F. Haller.

William Singletary is enjoying a much-needed rest and vacation.

L. H. Thomas and family are visiting friends at Bushnell for two weeks.

Andrew E. Hall, a former employe of the piano factory, has moved to Chicago.

Miss Mabel Hunt is spending several weeks camping with friends near Milwaukee.

Get Haller's prices on Mason fruit jars and jelly tumblers before buying elsewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster and father, Henry Paul, spent the day at Lincoln park last Tuesday.

The Monarch ready-mixed paints are guaranteed strictly pure. For sale by Hughes & Gallup.

Mrs. Gust. Wahl, who has been visiting her brother, Gust. Carlson, has gone to South Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miller spent yesterday touring the surrounding country with horse and carriage.

Mrs. E. D. Upton, of Phillips, Wis., is making a two-weeks' visit to her sister, Mrs. H. H. DeGraw.

Send in your news items. Stop us on the street and tell us the personal items you know that are of interest.

Fancy California prunes, the cream of California fruit, 10c per pound; other prunes 5c to 8c, at Nash's.

Mr. and Mrs. John Graves and a party of friends went to the DuPage river yesterday on a fishing excursion.

L. E. Hornberger, of Aurora, paid the Grove a visit this week and had a business interview with F. L. Sloat.

Miss Annie C. Callin, who has been visiting with the family of Mrs. Curtis A. Lyman, left Monday for Mendota.

Mrs. Charles D. Hancock and Mrs. Alfred H. Sellers, of Chicago, were guests of Mrs. Cora Hancock Wednesday.

Miss Gertrude Fraenkel is enjoying a two-weeks' vacation from her duties in the Chicago office of the "Ladies' Home Journal."

Miss Laura Hughes left Monday for a two-months' visit with relatives at Colorado Springs and other points in Colorado.

It is hoped that the negotiations which, it is rumored, are now pending to have the Auditorium building properly wired will be brought to a successful conclusion.

Mrs. S. R. Smart and son, Luke, left yesterday for Vinton, Iowa, to make their future home. Mr. Smart will follow in the fall.

Mrs. Brewster, wife of the late W. H. Brewster, D. D., and Mrs. Cavanaugh, of Wheaton, visited with Mrs. W. H. Edwards Friday.

S. F. Haller has just received a new line of the well-known Ward shirts and overalls. Men's fancy balbriggan underwear, a bargain at 50c, at Haller's.

Miss Rachel Shuler, of Chicago, a former resident of Downers Grove, is spending her vacation here at Mrs. W. Churchill's, on South Washington street.

If you want to chase the "blue devils" away and see some fun, just go and witness the ball game to be played Saturday afternoon by the Downers Grove and Naperville clubs on the latter's grounds.

Wheaton's postmaster is happy over the fact that, commencing with the 1st of October—that being the beginning of the quarter—Wheaton is to have free delivery. Several who think they would make good letter carriers have already applied for blanks.—Journal.

Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Libby and Mrs. M. B. Downer participated in the ceremonies of laying the corner stone of a new Congregational church building at Big Rock Tuesday of this week. The estimated cost of the edifice is \$7,000, nearly all of which has already been raised. Mr. Libby delivered an address, and Mrs. Libby rendered two vocal selections.

THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

Began Its Session at Wheaton Monday—Rules and Regulations.

The board of review of DuPage county, consisting of James McChuteck, H. F. Lawrence and A. McS. S. Riddler, began its session for the purpose of equalizing the assessments of 1900 at Wheaton Monday. For the benefit of our readers who may have business before that body we produce the following rules governing the board:

Rule 1—The regular meeting of the board of reviews shall be held on or before the second Monday of July, and shall adjourn from day to day as may be necessary. The hours of meeting shall be 9:30 o'clock a. m. to 5 o'clock p. m. unless otherwise specially set.

Rule 2—Order of business: (1) Reading and approving of records of proceedings of the last meeting. (2) Presentation of petitions and complaints. (3) Reading of petitions. (4) Considering petitions to increase or reduce assessments of individuals or corporations. (5) Hearing of owners or their agents.

Rule 3—The chairman of said board shall take the chair at the hour appointed for the board to meet, and shall immediately call the members to order, and proceed with the transaction of business in accordance with the order of business as provided in Rule 2.

Rule 4—All persons or corporations having complaints to offer shall make same in writing, sign same, give their address and file said complaint with the clerk of this board before the first Monday of August.

Rule 5—The clerk of this board shall keep a docket showing the number of each petition or complaint filed with said board for the reduction or increase of the assessment of any person or corporation.

Rule 6—Such petitions and complaints shall be numbered by the clerk and filed in regular order as received, and when acted upon shall be taken up in same order as far as may be. Provided that any complaint or petition when reached on the docket may be specially set for hearing, at any time designated by the board.

Rule 7—Any member of the board may testify in regard to any property that may come to his knowledge that is assessed, or that in his opinion is assessed too high, or low, and the clerk shall thereupon issue notice to the person or corporation affected thereby, that they may appear and show cause, if any they have, why such assessment should not be changed, but no action shall be taken thereon for five days after giving or mailing such notice.

Rule 8—Every person or corporation shall have the privilege of being heard before the board, either in person or by agent or attorney.

Rule 9—The board may hear petitions for reduction of assessments at the time of the filing or may fix a day for the hearing thereof.

Rule 10—These rules may be amended at any time by giving one day's notice, specifying the proposed amendments.

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE CARRIES.

The result of the special school election Saturday gave a very clear indication of the feeling of the majority of residents in regard to the proposition of issuing bonds for building an addition to the Maple avenue school house. The proposition carried by a vote of 125 for to 23 against the proposition.

Two sets of ballots were necessary under the law—one set in regard to the bond issue and another for the proposition to tear down the front part of the old building and erect a new one in place thereof. A special meeting of the board will be held to arrange the details preparatory to advertising for bids for the construction of the building.

FELL FROM A HAMMOCK.

William E. Wells has a badly bruised and strained shoulder, the result of a fall sustained Monday night. William had partaken of a bountiful evening meal and, to enjoy a quiet slumber, stretched his shapely form in a hammock under the waving trees, where the gentle zephyrs might cool and calm him to repose. He had just begun his first doze when, with a loud report, the rope holding the head end of the hammock broke, and William and his 250 pounds of avoirdupois went to the mat, with the result that the muscles of his shoulder and neck were seriously strained.

WANT ALL THE NEWS.

The REPORTER desires to print all personal notes of interest. If you are entertaining or visiting friends, let us know. We would appreciate the favor if our readers would drop us a note or leave the item in the REPORTER box at the entrance to the office.

THE BEST AND LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF HOME-MADE GOODS AT HALLER'S.

The best and largest assortment of home-made goods at Haller's.

ALMOST A MURDER.

THOMAS KRUGER OF GLEN ELLEN THE VICTIM OF AN ASSAULT.

Joseph Provincino Assails Him With Knife and Revolver With Intent to Kill.

The Wheaton papers give the following particulars regarding the morning's holdup at the Lombard gravel pit, in which one man nearly lost his life at the hands of a fellow workman:

Thomas Kruger, of Glen Ellyn, man of the Lombard gravel pit, was viciously assaulted by Joseph Provincino, an Italian formerly employed in the pit, Tuesday evening. Kruger is minus six fingers, and has three bullets in his head, and it is very doubtful if he lives. Provincino is in jail, together with six companions. He will have his examination before Justice Gurnea on a charge of assault with intent to commit robbery and murder.

The men in the gravel pit were paid their wages Tuesday, and Kruger was on his way home when set upon by the dago, who used a knife, and in the melee six fingers were severed. In his fury the dago slashed right and left, cutting Kruger's clothing into shreds and inflicting many wounds. Kruger fought until weak from the loss of blood, when he fell. His assailant then drew a revolver and fired three bullets into his head, the fourth sticking in the barrel of the revolver.

Kruger was stunned and lay still. Thinking his victim dead and hearing approaching footsteps, the dago rolled his victim over into an abandoned gravel pit, where he rolled for possibly a hundred feet. The dago then ran and made his way to Lombard, where he was arrested and brought to Wheaton, together with six others, who, however, claim that they know nothing of the fight.

Kruger, after laying for half an hour in the gravel pit, regained his senses and struggled to his feet and made his way, covered with blood and still bleeding from a dozen cuts and bullet wounds, to his home a quarter of a mile away. The family, hearing the alarm, and seeing Gurnea's men, ran up and drove to Lombard in seventeen minutes, where he found Provincino in the depot waiting to take the train. On him was found a bloody knife, a revolver with three empty shells, and his clothes were saturated with the blood of his victim.

Provincino, together with the other Italians arrested, were taken to Kruger's home, and he was positively identified, as was the knife in his possession. Provincino had formerly worked in the pit, and was aware of the fact that Kruger had his pay with him, and it is thought that the motive was robbery, together with a desire for revenge, he believing that Kruger was to blame for his discharge.

EXCURSION TO GRAND HAVEN.

The Christian Endeavorers of Chicago and its suburbs have arranged with the Williams Transportation company for a moonlight lake excursion to South Haven, Saturday, July 14th. The steamer is to be under the exclusive control of the Christian Endeavor committee which guarantees a delightful excursion. The boat leaves the dock at 9 a. m. returning at 10:30 p. m. Plenty of time is allowed at South for the enjoyment of this pleasant resort. Tickets and further information can be secured by applying to E. J. Darsley, Downers Grove.

LOCAL FRUIT CROP IS GOOD.

A. B. Austin reports that the fruit crop this year is generally excellent. The small fruits were especially heavy and of splendid quality. Strawberries were exceptionally plentiful, as were also cherries and currants. The apple crop will be enormous; trees are loaded with fruit and are in a healthy condition. The few pear trees that are bearing will do fairly well. The heavy frosts of two years ago demolished the grapevines, and the new vineyards have not as yet become bearing.

COLORADO.

That is the title of a very beautiful seventy-two-page book published by the C. B. and Q. railroad. It is most entertaining and informative, being being illustrated with exceptionally fine engravings. The rates to Colorado are so cheap this year that study will take their vacation there. They should ask the C. B. and Q. ticket agent for this book. Price, 5 cents.

Brunson, the latter, has recently added a new line of samples of tape and twines, together with spring bed ticks, rubber and other articles for sale.

The best and largest assortment of home-made goods at Haller's.