DOWNERS GROVE REFORE

SEVENTEENTH YEAR.

DOWNERS GROVE, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1900.

REVISE LIGHT RATES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES TAKE THIS ACTION AT MEETING MONDAY.

Pay Claims Amounting to \$912.86-Accept Reports of Village Officers-Proceedings.

For some time the village board of trustees has been considering the adoption of a new system of charges for cut off the supply of electric light at commercial electric light which would equalize the rates charged meter consumers with the flut rate takers. Monday night this was accomplished by the passage of an ordinance, amending village of Downers Grove shall not be the existing ordinance, and which, the village authorities think, will place all directly or indirectly from any conrates on an equitable basis as well as provide sufficient revenue for meeting light wires of the village of Downers the operating expenses of the plant. Grove. This was the principle business of the meeting. The new system of rates was adopted on recommendation of the water and light committee. The operating expenses of the lighting plane receipts were only \$157. The ordinauce increases materially the flat rates, and provides a graduated system of discounts for meter rates which will lower the cost to consumers.

ples and Wolfesheim were present when pose so to do. In all cases where the President Root called the meeting to customer shall be cut off from the use order. In the absence of Clerk White of electric light for any of the reasons Trustee Kuenzel acted es clerk.

The report of Village Collector Simonson was read and adopted, showing the collection of \$975.06 from the following sources: Tapping fees, \$19 water rates, \$719.53; meters, \$30; electric light, \$157.70; wiring, \$41 91; material, \$3.92: licenses, \$10.

The report of the village treasurer, showing the following sums, was read and on motion accepted: Balance on haud at last report, \$2,844.03; receipts, \$1,575.06; expenditures, \$2.199.30; present balance, \$2,219,79.

The superintendent of water works and electric lights reported having pumped 1,838,838 gallons of water during the month of November. Seventytwo tons of coal were consumed well as twenty-eight gallons of oil,--

Trustee Bunge introduced a resolution transferring \$200 from the general fund to the water and light fund, which was passed.

Claim ordinance No. 98, providing for the payment of claims amounting to \$912.86, was read and passed on motion of Trustees Waples and Klein.

The hand of Policeman Hoffert in the sum of \$500 was read and on metion accepted

A petition was heard from Dr. W. W. Gourley, asking for an additional street hght on North Main street between Warren avenue and Franklia street. water and light committee.

The water and light committee introduced the following ordinance, amending Sections 5 and 7 of the ordinance, concerning the electric light system, which was read, and passed on motion of Trustees Bunge and Kuenzel:

An ordinance to amend Sections A and 7 of an ordinance of the village of Downers Grove, Illinois, entitled "An Grove, DuPage county, Illinois," passed May 25, 1900:

Downers Grove, Illinois.

SECTION 1. That Sections 5 and 7 of an ordinance of the village of Downers Grove entitled "An ordinance concerning the electric light system of the village of Downers Grove, DuPage counand the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows, to-wit:

Sgc. 5. The meter rate of rent to be charged for electric light within the corporate limits of the village of Downers Grove shall be three-fourthe of one cent per hour, as recorded by the meter, for each lamp of 16-candle power, subject to a minimum charge of one dollar per month. All consumers who do not use meters shall pay a flat rate for the use of electric lights as follows: For the use of one lamp of 18- friends of members of the society livcandle power, one dollar per month, ing in other states. Supper will be and forte cents per month for each ad- served at 6 o'clock for a fee of 25 cents. ditional lamp of 16-candle power not The ladies extend an invitation to the exceeding twenty lamps, and thirty public to attend, cents per lamp for each lamp additional above twenty lamps.

SEC. 7. All bills for electric light shall be mailed to the customers by the | meets at Oldfield's hall every Saturday | hood of Railroad Trainmen, is making Taking deliberate aim he fired, the anicollector of the vilinge on or before evening. Instruction begins promptly arrangements for its eighth annual ball mai falling kerflop to the ground apthe tenth day of the succeeding month at 8:30 p. m. Admission 30 cents a which will be held this year in Illinois parently "dead as a door nail." But it Wheaton, the county seat, has 2,845. for electric light used during the pre- person; per couple, 50 cents, Private hall, corner Ogden avenue and Madison was not entirely defunct—it had one Hinedale has 2,578. Naperville is the vious month, and upon all bills under lessons from 6 to 7 p. m. Personal at- street, Chicago, Wednesday evening, snap left and used it. Mr. Helm viewed meter rates which are paid on or before tention given to beginners. Children's January 28, 1901. Music will be for the carcass with satisfaction the day said ejectric light becomes due, class 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. Fancy dancing nished by Bonnell's orchestra, and grasped it by the long hair near front as provided in Section 6 of this ordi- at 2:30 sharp. Professor Anderson tickets are \$1. A special train will leg. Mr. Coon grabbing him so quick nance, a rebate shall be allowed at the wishes all those interested in the Burlington at 3 around the wrist with share rate of 10 per cent from the face of the urday evening receptions at Oldfield's a. m. for the benefit of those attending bill upon all such bills which are under hall to attend December 8, as he wishes from the suburbs. A. C. Ridd stirce dollars, and one per cent rebate to make arrangements for a german Domners Grove, is chairman o

ia excess of two dollars up to and including bills of \$16, and a discount of 25 per cent upon all bills over \$16.

No rebate will be allowed upon bills for flat rates. If any electric light rent is not paid within ten days from the day it becomes due as aforesaid, the village shall have the right to cut off the electric light from the consumer in default without notice. And the board of trustees shall have and reserve the right, power and authority to any time without incurring any liability or cause of action for damages of any kind, any permit or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding. The liable for any loss or damage resulting nection or attachment to the electric

If any consumer or consumers c electric light under flat rates shall waste electricity by keeping the cur rent turned on during the entire night without any reason for so doing, or sarily waste electricity, then in such Thanksgiving. case or cases the board of trustees recut off the supply of electricity from ter call early. Huff & Co. such customer or customers after the Trustees Bunge, Klein, Kuenzel, Wa- giving of five days notice of their purnamed in this section the same shall not be restored until all the back rents, costs and damages, if any, shall have been paid, together with the sum o two dollars for re-connection with the electric light system of the village.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and legal publication.

Passed December 3, 1900, Approved December 3, 1900.

BERT C. WHITE, F. A. ROOT, Village Pres. Village Clerk.

RULES AGAINST TOBACCO.

New books of rules and regulations recently issued for the government of employes of the Chicago, Burlington & an Quincy railroad contain specific body blows to intexicants and tobacco. One there. of the rules provides that the use of intoxicants or the frequenting of places where intoxicants are sold is sufficient cause for dismissal from the road's service. Another prohibits the use of tobacco by employes while on duty in or about stations or on passenger trairs. These two rules are in the company's books for the first time, although they are supposed to have been understood in the past by the employes. The insertion of the "intoxicant" and "tobacco' provisions in the new books of rules is said to have been intended more for the benefit of men new in the The application was referred to the service than for those employes who have been with the road reasonable lengths of time.

BURGLARS AT PLANO

When Postmaster George Faxon, and assistant, at Plano, went to open the Postoffice Monday a, m. they found the them back door lock wrecked and the office safe forced and its contents looted. Burglars had stolen a sledge hammer ordinance concerning the electric light | a bit, brace and chisel from a neighborsystem of the village of Downers ing blacksmith shop and had forced the back door. The safe was an old fashioned one and the burglars had Be it ordained by the possident and succeeded in getting into it by knockboard of trustees of the village of ing off the knob with the sledge and using the chisel. They got \$126 in her class in physical culture at Oldcash and about \$125 worth of stamps. At first it was feared that they had stolen money order blanks and the department at Washington was so notified but they were afterward found un- Grove. The course of ten lessons in ty. Illinois," passed May 25, 1900, be der a counter where the robbers had Delsarte gymnastics, \$2. thrown them.

ANNUAL BAZAAR.

The annual bazaar of the ladies of the aid society of the Methodist church will be held in the Auditorium this Thursday afternoon and evening, beginning at 12 o'clock. Numerous articles of fancy work suitable for Christmas presents will be offered for sale, including a large assortment of fancy aprons and handkerchiefs secured from

THE DANCING CLASS

Professor Anderson's dancing class itional for each dollar said bills are to be given in the near future.

..Local and Dersonal Paragraphs...

Sage cheese at Nash's. Fresh Bismarcks at Rangs. White Rose gasoline, Nash's.

Absolutely pure buckwheat flour. At store. Haller's.

Mrs. George Barr has been very sick Grove from Riverside. the past week.

visiting old friends.

offects of a sprained ankle.

guests of Dr. R. R Pattison and family. Studio. C. E. Siebs, of Chicago, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Shurte, Sun-guest of her eister, Mrs. R. O. Curtiss gives an intensely interesting portion

Arthur T. Rallard, of Chicago visited his Aunt Mrs. F. Belden on Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. White were the are about \$225 a month. Last month's shall in any other manner unneces- guests of relatives in Ottawa over Stanger and Lester Barr attended the

> We are showing some handsome serve the right, power and authority to mountings for the holiday trade. Bet ball Tuesday necessitating the services

> > Judge Lawrence Y. Sherman, of Macomb, will be the next speaker of the Illinois house of representatives. The Aurora soap factory was de-

> > stroyed by fire last Tuesday night. Loss, \$40,000; partially covered by in-F. M. Blome and N. H. Kern of the

> > Northwestern Medical College, Chicago, spent Thanksgiving with J. B. Miller and family. Ed Wootton has eighty head of cat-

tle and five hundred Minnesota lambs Thanksgiving day. which he is feeding at his farm south of the Village. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ballard and

daughter Hazel of Austin, spent Thanks | for occupancy before spring. giving day with their Aunt, Mrs. F. Belden and cousin Roberta Rosa.

D. J. Miley and Frank E. Miller spent

Sunday at the Lakeside Hospital in Chicago, visiting the formers father who is receiving surgical treatment The High School Football team de

feated the "Tigers" Thanksgiving day by a score of 5 to 0. Saturday the High School played LaGrange, the score being 0 to 0. Mrs. Wm. Fraenkel entertained Mrs.

Winters, Miss Lottle Winters, Mrs. Frank Fields, Mrs. Elwell, of Chicago, and Mrs. Josephine Austin, of Downers benefit of the Rathbone Sisters. Grove, at a luncheon Friday.

at 10 cents per pound. They are fresh, nice fowls. JOHN HAAS.

here, attended the funeral, and Mrs. D. E. McKee, of Chicago, accompanied

County Judge Batten, of DuPage, who has been filling the office of probate judge in Cook county for the past two years, was presented with a gold watch by the clerical force of the probate clerk's office when he vacated the probate bench Monday.

Mrs. Anderson, of Chicago, will start field's hall, Saturday, December 8 at 4:30 sharp, immediately after the children's class. This is an exceptional opportunity for the ladies of Downers

Belmont golf club held its annual Springs and Denver before returning meeting Monday night in the Brevort home. house. Officers were elected as foilows: President, Herbert J. Tweedle; vice president, Charles C. Wheeler; secretary, Edward P. Martin; treasurer, Chicago, will retire from service Janu-K. R. Owen; directors, George P. Welles, T. D. Caliger, W. H. Eagle, A. E. Anderson and E. L. Dooth.

DeArman and 'Grandma' Blanchard the age of 70 years. The pensions, to Mrs. DeArman's home in Montrose, which are based on the length of Mo., where Mrs. Blanchard will make service, are paid for life and allows a her home. Mrs. DeArman (Mrs. B.'s retired employe to engage in other daughter) is in very poor health, but is | business. glad to have her mother with her, and will make her welcome and comfertable during the remainder of her life.

Oil. Family Safety.

No smoke; no more dim chimneys. The best oil in town, only 14c per gal-Additional local news on fifth page. | lon, at C. S. Hughes & Co.'s hardware

New York buckwheat flour. The John Derbyshire of Sandwich, is here same old kind at Nash's, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hughes spent

Miss Edna Barr is suffering from the Thanksgiving with friends in Oak Park. Bring the baby and get a perfect Mrs. L. B. Dickson and family are the picture for holiday presents at Huff's

Mrs. Dr. Frank, of Chicago, was the Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Soule, of Berwyn, who have been visiting at J. R. Miller's, returned home Tuesday.

Messrs, L. Klein, Chas, Mochet, M. E. fat Stock show in Chicago yesterday.

Oliver Hodier was the victim of foot of Dr. Gourley. No serious results,

E. L. Gannon, the fireman who was injured by being struck by a switch engine in the yards here, has returned

Center: reasonable terms. Enquire of White House, received by the presi-Josephine Austin, 91 Maple avenue or dest, the story repeated, President nous mist. The clouds will not roll b D. G. Graham.

a number of friends from Chicago and a sad parting between Billy and Dick. Ohio in good oldfashioned style Billy's reception at home, final recov-

F. Lindley has broken ground for a residence on the lot east of where he now lives and expects to have it ready

barrel of food supplies and \$10 in cash as a Thanksgiving of offering to the Texas flood sufferers. LJohn H. Batten announces that he has opened an office for the general

practice of the law, at suit 410, number 145 LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill Telephone 3066 central. "The Hidden Hand," adapted from

Mrs. E. D. E. N. Southworth's romance, will be presented at the Aditorium. Friday evening, December 14, for the The second grand concert by the

Turkeys - Through an error of a Zenda orchestra will be given in the poultry farmer we have just received a Auditorium, Downers Grove, Wednesbelated order of Thanksgiving turkeys. day evening, December 26. Programs In order to close out will sell this week | will be published in full in next week's issue of the REPORTER.

Sabbath services at the Congrega-F. H. Swartwont, who was known by tional church. Morning--"The Largmany of our people here, died in Chi- er Uutlook." Annual collection for cago a few weeks ago. Mrs. E. W. Foreign Missions. Evening-"The Old Farrar and Mrs. W. S. Carpenter from Songs and what they Teach." A Hymn Song Services-7 o'clock.

Representative Guy L. Bush, of this district, has been appointed a member of the committee selected by fifty republican members-elect of the legislature to endeavor to organize the house with Lawrence G. Sherman, of Macomb, as speaker.

remain a couple of years, and her many friends wish her a safe journey and hope she will return in much better health. Mrs. J. Rutherford leaves Friday night for a trip torough the West, going with Miss Sapp to Phoenix, and visiting Las Vegas, Colorado

Jas. Pridham, of Downers Grove, who is employed at the local freight office of the Pennsylvania railroad in ary 1 next under the pension system in operation on that road. The pension plan of the company makes retirement Mrs. Farrar went last week with Mrs. | compulsory when an employe reaches

The other day Ed Helm shouldered his rifle and sauntered through the timber south of Naperville. Presently Columbian Lodge No. 479, Brother- he espied a coon upon a nearby sapling. BILLY AND DICK.

R. O. Bates Lectures for the Benefit of The Public Schools.

"Billy and Dick from the Andersonville prison to the White House' will Freak Notes Written, Biolen be given by "Billy"-Ralph O. Bates-

at the Auditorium, Friday, Dec. 7th at 8 o'clock and 8 o'clock p. m., under the auspices of the Downers Grove public W. W. Barry has returned to Downers | schools. The thrilling war story is told in a lecture full of thrilling and pathetic features. Billy and Dick were nicknames. Richard King, of Company B, Second Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry. Ralph O. Bates, of Company H, Ninth Ohio Cavalry. Billy Bates, as he was called in Andersonville prison, is one of the Union soldiers who made the first successful tunnel and escape out of that prison. He of our country's history, full of touching incidents, hardships, adventures and escapes during their imprisonment and while on their way to the Union lines and thence to Washington in the same condition in which they made their escape. A vivid discription of the capture at Cumberland Gap, trip to Libby prison, transferred from there to Danville, Savannah, Blachshear, Milen. Macon and last to Andersonville prison, Georgia. history of the tunnel, rush for liberty, tracked by bloodbounds, hiding game. Downers Grove gladly in the river, secreted by a colored comes Hinsdale among the states woman, arrival at General Sherman's rans." headquarters, trip to Washington City For Rent-Eighty acre farm at York by order of General Sherman at the Lincoln's kindness, arrival at home, for some days. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wells entertained words of cheer, Dick meets his mother, ery, returned to the front until the close of the war. The lecture is nonpartisan and non-sectarian. It has no bitterness and no horror. It teaches a lesson of patriotism, love of home, o country and of God. Admission, The scholars of the public schools cents; all school children, 10 cents; G. collected three boxes of clothing, a A. R. men free,

THANKSGIVING DANCE.

The annual Thanksgiving dancing finger pinched or hand lace party Thursday eventing was no attraction to a number of Downers Grove appointed, young society people. About forty were present and enjoyed a varied think they know how to a program of dences until midnight. manage a select dancing party Prof. Clifford G. Sweet of Aurora fur- fact they have about \$50 worth nished delightful music, and numerous encores testified to its pleasing features. After the dancing the company was served with refreshments in the Downers Grove club rooms, and the company broke up about one fo'clock. Messrs Lee E. Stanley, Howard P. Jones and Will H. Blodgett had charge of the ar angements which were perfect name. in all details.

METHODIST DIRECTORY OUT

The Methodist church has issued a tician will shake your hand one dainty brocure of twenty pages and and pull your leg the next. But cover in the form of a directory for dosen't apply to Downers Grove 1900. The booklet contains pictures in | dente. half tone of the church, parsonage, Rev. H. H. Rood, the pastor, together the Importunity of the with dainty bits of landscape and tramp and disgorge a nickel or a other views in Downers Grove. The to get a lunch, should give the officers and committees of the church ing man explicit directions as to are given, as well as a list of members, most direct route to the nearest reasonable amount of advertising loon. Much valuable time is lost matter of Downers Grove firms is in- acute suffering endured by Miss Julia Sapp, who has been ill for corporated in the work. The designs around town searching for a r a number of weeks, leaves Friday night and execution of the work are fault ment stand. Strangers a for Phoenix, Arizona. She expects to less and decidedly artistic in character, helped in every way possible. and are the work of W. H. Baker.

NEW OFFICERS' TERMS BEGIN

County officials elected to office en- from the probate beach to change was made without a ripple. ting, elevated to the position by Circuit Clerk Thomas M. Hull and Sur- cent election, has become a vayor Geo. W. Wilson being the only figure in the legal circles of the men who did not succeed themselves. Had it not been for the fact the The oaths of office were administered ineligible, it is more than I by County Clerk Lawrence. Thos. M. Judge Batten would have m Hull, of Wheaton, succeeded A. H. somination for judge of the Wiant as circuit clerk. M. Slusser, of court, but he had to suffer the Downers Grove, succeeds himself as of not residing in Cook county state's attorney, as also does Newton Batten was appointed p E. Matter, of Wheaton, as coroner, or, more properly speaking Geo. W. Wilson holds the office of lected to fill the unexplose county surveyor, succeeding G. I. Judge C. C. Kohlmant, who

DOWNERS GROVE POPULATION

According to published reports of th census department Downers Grove population as determined by the twelfth census is 2,108, a figure somewhat below the expectations of man which were based upon the school census as taken for several years past, largest town in the county, with 2,629, exceeding Hinsdale by 51 persons West Chicago and Elmhorst not being given in the list presumably fall below the 2,000 mark.

You survived Thankagiving get ready for Christman, If I break you, you'll do.

The president's messes found on the inside pages. course you'll read it.

Twelve new members are payl \$1.50 per month for the privilege longing to the Downers Grove C Save enough from your Chi month. Collector Prouty won't

John Nash asserts that deaf live longer than those with the ing unimpaired. They ought to: th miss a deal of ragtime.

The vilinge board beld the last me ing of the century Monday night. It's a solemn way of putting it, but its chronologically correct,

Hinadale in jesious of Maperville, because the latter beat her in the

weather man, No rain, no anow. anything but this same dull me We may now hope the various vil lage boards have flutshed juggling ele

No storms are in sight, says the look

tric light rates, so that commumers know what to expect to pay when \$ monthly bill is presented. The village board in considering advisability of placing the water sumers on a meter basis. Good

for the plumbers, likewise the They should labby for the ordi A steam corn-shredder or C. B. Blodgett's residence crowds of spectators. Nobody had

that in this respect algitteers Messrs, Stanley, Jones and perience they would be willing to die

The Aurora News has revived the old story about a man named Isoh, was defeated for office, while all men on his ticket were elected, the voters couldent restst the tion to scratch when they came to

An exchange sizes up the situal thusly: A minister shakes wone and a lawyer pulls your leg, but a p

Sympathetic citizens who wield to

PRAISES FOR JUDGE BATTEM

Judge John H. Batten, who tered on their duties Monday. The make way for Judge Charles S. Con vated to the office of jude United States district court in 1809. The able and efficient gave to the exacting off the high standard set by the Kohlsunt. Judge Batten