

# DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

EIGHTEENTH YEAR.

DOWNERS GROVE, DuPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1901.

NUMBER 11.

## MOCHEL NOMINATED. NAMED ON FIRST BALLOT FOR VILLAGE PRESIDENT.

Louis Klein, H. H. Woelfersheim and E. E. Stevens, Trustees; D. G. Graham, Police Magistrate; B. C. White, Clerk.

Harmony was the dominant feature of the village caucus held in the Auditorium Saturday evening for the nomination of village officers. There were no contests save for the office of village president and the deliberations of the convention were the tamer in many years. One hour sufficed to transact the business of the meeting. The ticket nominated is as follows:

For village president.....	Chas. Mochel
For village trustee, north side.....	E. E. Stevens
For village trustee, south side.....	L. Klein
For police magistrate.....	D. G. Graham
For village clerk.....	Bert C. White

Chairman J. W. Graves of the caucus committee, called the meeting to order and stated the object of the caucus. Upon motion of Bert C. White, Guy L. Bush was chosen as chairman. Bert C. White was made secretary, and Thos. Holland and J. W. Graves appointed tellers.

Nominations for village president being in order Capt. T. S. Rogers presented the name of Chas. Mochel. Geo. T. Hughes placed L. B. Gesner in nomination and an informal ballot was taken. The total number of votes cast was 114, of which Chas. Mochel received 71 and L. B. Gesner 43. A. C. Wiscgarver moved that the caucus proceed to a formal ballot. C. V. Carpenter moved that inasmuch as Mr. Mochel had received large majority of all votes cast, the informal ballot be declared formal and Mr. Mochel the unanimous choice of the caucus for village president. The latter motion prevailed.

The usual disagreement as to the method of selecting the three trustees was inaugurated when W. S. Waples arose and nominated L. Klein, H. H. Woelfersheim and E. E. Stevens for trustees. Capt. Rogers moved their nomination by acclamation if no other candidates were named. Allen Barnhart, thinking to choke off further nominations, moved that C. V. Carpenter object to this "gag rule" procedure and moved to table Barnhart's motion, which was promptly done. A. L. Palmer then nominated W. B. Towles for one of the south side trustees and Herbert Lloyd presented the name of L. B. Waples.

Howard P. Jones to bring order out of the chaos, moved that each vacancy be balloted upon separately. His motion was adopted and an informal ballot was taken for north side trustee. The result was a total of 105 votes, of which E. E. Stevens received 95, L. B. Waples 6 and H. S. Wheeler 4. On motion of J. W. Rogers the informal ballot was declared formal and Mr. Stevens the nominee.

H. P. Jones then moved the selection of a candidate to fill the position of L. Klein. This motion prevailed and he then moved the nomination of L. Klein for south side trustee to succeed himself by acclamation, which was unanimously carried.

G. H. Bunge moved the nomination of H. H. Woelfersheim to succeed himself as south side trustee by acclamation. This brought a protest from Mr. Jones who called attention to the fact that Mr. Towles had also been nominated. Mr. Towles withdrew his name and Mr. Woelfersheim was unanimously chosen.

The nomination of D. G. Graham for police magistrate, for four years, and Bert C. White for village clerk, followed by acclamation.

The closing business of the caucus was the selection of a caucus committee. On motion the chairman appointed a committee consisting of J. W. Graves, Dr. W. W. Gourley and C. V. Carpenter and the caucus adjourned.

## WOULD PAY ALDERMEN.

The proposition to establish some system of compensation for the president and members of the village board of trustees will come up for consideration at the April meeting of the board next Monday evening. In most of the neighboring towns aldermen and trustees are paid a small salary annually, usually about \$2.00 a meeting. Naperville pays its alderman \$50 per year and the mayor's salary is \$100 per year. The proposition will meet with the approval of a majority of taxpayers, who are willing these officers shall receive some remuneration for the services rendered.

## FAIR ASSOCIATION MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Vice Presidents of the DuPage County Agricultural Society at the court house, Wheaton, Saturday, March 30, at 2 o'clock p. m., to fix a date for the coming fair, revise the premium list and transact other business of importance.

JOHN CHRISTIE, President.

## THE BURLINGTON FAST MAIL.

Popular Route Paid Glowing Tribute For Its Achievements by Senator Loud.

It is well known that the Burlington Route is selected by the government, and has been for many years, as the route for its through mail service between Chicago and Council Bluffs. The overland mail, and the through mails from Europe across the continent to Asia, are sent by the government over the Burlington. This service is performed in special trains, but there is no written contract for the service with the government. It simply has selected and retains the best, quickest and safest route for its transcontinental mails; nor is any subsidy paid. The Burlington receives only the same rates in force by general law for the carriage of all mails in the country. In a recent debate in the House of Representatives at Washington, upon the question of paying a subsidy to a line of railroads between New York and New Orleans, for keeping up a fast mail service in the South, Mr. Loud of California, chairman of the committee on postoffices and postroads, in giving his reasons for voting against this subsidy to the southern railroad, paid the following high tribute to the Burlington. He said: "If subsidies are proper, you should not restrict them. If there is any railroad in the country that earns extra compensation from the government that railroad is the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, from Chicago to Omaha, which runs phenomenally fast trains carrying nothing but mail, but that company does not ask a subsidy."

## NEW RESIDENCES PROMISED.

At least two new residences are promised for Downers Grove this season. Levi Metz and O. Ericson are arranging to build. Mr. Metz will erect a modern residence on his lots at the northeast corner of Curtis and Washington streets. The old house will be removed. Mr. Ericson contemplates erecting a house costing in the neighborhood of \$5,000, fronting on the south and east. The house will contain all modern improvements, including baths, closets, electric light, steam heat, and hot and cold soft water on every floor. Mr. Ericson, who sold his place here and moved to Chicago last fall, contemplates again making his home in Downers Grove and will erect a modern residence. Other buildings are promised during the coming season.

## A. H. WETTON NOW IN CHINA.

A letter recently received from Albert H. Wetton by his family, announces his safe arrival in Hong Kong. He and his friend expected to go to Canton, thence to Shanghai and later to Manila, afterwards returning to Hong Kong, when they will make a more extensive tour of the Chinese Empire and later visit the Hawaiian Islands. He is somewhat improved in health, but has as yet no idea of when they will return home. During the entire voyage of five months, land was sighted but twice, though no landing was made until Hong Kong was reached. He enjoyed every minute of the ocean trip he wrote, notwithstanding the monotonous diet of canned goods.

## THE DANCING CLASS.

The dancing class will meet at Oldfield's hall Saturday evening, March 30, and not Friday as announced last week. The following Friday, April 5th, Prof. Anderson will give a reception at Oldfield's hall. All the patrons of the school are cordially invited to attend as this reception marks the close of the dancing season at the Grove. The children's class will meet Saturday, March 30, from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. and the following Saturday, April 6th, the children will have their closing party. Admission 25 cents. The idea of continuing the class through April has been abandoned and all those interested are urged to attend the two remaining evenings.

## PNEUMONIA CAN BE PREVENTED.

This disease always results from a cold or an attack of the grip and may be prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. That remedy was extensively used during the epidemics of LaGrippe of the past few years, and not a single case has ever been reported that did not recover or that resulted in pneumonia, which shows it to be a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has gained a world wide reputation for its cure of colds and grip. Bush & Simonson.

## COLORADO.

That is the title of a very beautiful seventy-two-page book published by the C., R. and Q. railroad. It is most entertaining and informative, besides being illustrated with exceptionally fine engravings. The rates to Colorado are so cheap this year that many will take their vacation there. They should ask the C., R. and Q. ticket agent for this book. Price, 6 cents.

## Local and Personal Paragraphs.

Sage cheese at Nash's.  
White Rose gasoline, Nash's.  
Additional local news on fifth page.  
D. G. Graham rented four houses Wednesday.

Gona Mocha and Java coffee 20 cents per lb. at Haller's.  
New York buckwheat flour. The same old kind at Nash's.

Attorney Schwartz of Naperville, was here on business last Tuesday.

S. A. Lyman has secured a situation with the Burlington on the road.

A reception will be given for the patrons of the schools in about two weeks.  
Mr. Babcock of Galesburg is viewing his interests in real estate here to-day.

The Hadley family have rented a house of E. H. Prince on Oakwood avenue.

New Idea Fashion Sheets and Queen of the West ready, send Carrie or Eddie in after one at Haller's.

Miss Anna Roe was called to Aurora Thursday to attend the funeral of her friend Mrs. Ida Taylor McLeod.

E. H. Prince arrived in Downers Grove Tuesday morning for a few days stay. He reports business good in Quincy.

A company of people are talking of going to the M. E. church at Austin, this evening to hear Evangelist Jameson preach.

A number of the members of the Zenda Orchestra attended a concert given by the Jos. Vilim Orchestra club in Chicago last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Daws will occupy the Luce place on Gilbert avenue about May 1st and Mr. and Mrs. Squiers the Oldfield cottage on South Foote street.

A. B. Austin has commenced the spring work in his nursery getting out the stock for shipment. The indications point to a successful year in his business.

Herbert Lloyd, furniture, carpets and esters cleaned. First class work guaranteed. Give me a trial and be convinced. Box 558. Residence 115 Lincoln avenue.

Regular services will be held at the Baptist church Sunday. At the morning services the pastor will preach on the fourth sermon on "The church," the topic being "Ordinances-Baptism."

Downers Grove has the distinguished honor of being the home of a railroad president. Our esteemed and enterprising fellow citizen, C. V. Carpenter having attained to that excellent position.

Mrs. Watson will open a display of trimmed hats for Easter at Miss Gray's dressmaking parlors, and will be in Downers Grove every Wednesday afternoon. All orders will receive prompt attention.

The Chicago Record has been sold by Victor F. Lawson to H. H. Kohlsaat of the Times-Herald and hereafter the paper will be known as the Record-Herald. Mr. Lawson will continue the publication of the Chicago Daily News.

Sunday, April 7th is Easter and the day will be generally observed at all the churches in Downers Grove. The REPORTER would be pleased to publish the programs of the services and would request that they be sent to this office not later than next Tuesday.

Charles Pierce Burton, the editor of the Aurora Express has been appointed state printer by Governor Yates. Mr. Burton is president of the Eighth Congressional District Republican Editorial association, and his many friends in the newspaper fraternity are extending hearty congratulations.

Some time during Friday night burglars entered the Eola store and carried away something over thirty-five dollars in money. They gained entrance by cutting a hole through a panel of the back door which allowed them to reach in and unlock it. Most of the money belonged to the parties who handle the malt business.

J. B. Moan went to Morris Monday to make arrangements to take his family there, where they expect to reside. We regret that these good people are going to leave us. They have been a great help to the material and social advancement of Downers Grove; their voice and influence are always for the right, and they will be a valuable addition to any community where they may establish their home.

Downers Grove's streets were never in such horrible condition as they are this spring—old settlers say not since the earliest days. Our new village board must cope with this bad street and sewer problem, puzzling as the proposition may be. The board that has the ability to map out and successfully build a sewer system in Downers Grove will live forever in the memories of its progressive citizens.

Oil. Family Safety.  
Best oil in town at C. S. Hughes.  
Fancy California fruits at Nash's.  
The village board meets Monday evening.

Nelson Webster was over from Hinsdale last night.  
S. F. Haller has a change of advertisement this week.

Get on Nash's exchange list and always wear new collars.

Judge John H. Batten is assisting in the Chicago Mayoralty campaign.

Two elections next week, for school trustees Monday; town officers Tuesday.

States Attorney Blusser was in Ottawa last week on professional business.

James H. Clark of Quincy is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. F. I. Mason.

Wanted—Good girl for general house work. Enquire Mrs. E. E. Stevens, 158 North Main street.

Rev. C. J. Pope has been enjoying a visit with his cousin, N. W. Eggleston, of Chamberlain, S. D.

Oscar Givler of the Naperville Clarion has a broken ankle, the effect of jumping from a runaway Tuesday.

The Baptist church choir is preparing an Easter service to be given a week from next Sunday evening.

The twelfth annual convention of the Elgin District Christian Endeavor Union will be held in Sycamore, April 26th to 28th.

The Knights of Pythias held a special convention Monday evening and conferred the rank of Esquire on R. G. Morden.

To RENT—House of eight rooms with good barn, 2 blocks from depot. Enquire 116 North Main street or W. H. Barnhart.

Sabbath services at the Congregational church. Morning—"The Psychology of Conversion." Repeated by request. Evening—Four boys—No. 3; "A boy Prophet."

The Downers Grove and Central Y. M. C. A. basketball teams will compete for honors at the Auditorium, Saturday afternoon at 8:30. An admission of 10 cents will be charged.

Mrs. Elizabeth Meahan will occupy her home place here on North Foote Street about the 1st of May. She prefers Downers Grove as a residence place rather than Chicago. Her many friends here are glad of her return.

An official announcement of the departmental ruling that domestic postage is to be in force between the United States and Cuba on and after April 1 has been received at the postoffice. The order applies to all kinds of postal matter.

The annual meeting of the executive officers of the DuPage county Sunday school association was held in Naperville last week. Arrangements were made for holding the county convention in Downers Grove, October 10 and 11. Mrs. Ida M. Slusser of Downers Grove was in attendance.

The Burlington will put on a new train next Sunday, the Rock Island Flyer, to run between that city and Chicago. It will run via the Clinton branch and Mendota, a line seven miles shorter than the Rock Island line, and will make the time thirty minutes quicker. It will go in through Downers Grove at 11:45 and return leaving Chicago at 4:25.

Two years ago the Illinois legislature refused to pass a good roads law. It did so because the farmers did not want one, although it was proposed that one half of the cost should be covered by the proceeds of state taxes of which the cities and towns pay the greater part. But since 1899 many Illinois farmers have changed their views concerning this subject.

They no longer believe that good roads are impossible in Illinois or that even with State aid their construction will cost the farmer too much.

The special meetings at the Methodist church were temporarily postponed last week owing to the illness of the evangelist, Mr. Jamison. The meetings will begin again, however, next Sabbath evening at 7:00, and will continue every night next week except Saturday evening. Miss May Taggart, one of the best known Deaconesses of Chicago, will speak on Sunday evening and assist in the services each evening during the week. Other help is also expected. The public and the Christian friends of other churches are most cordially invited to these services. Mr. Jamison, after nearly a weeks rest, is quite himself again and is preaching every night at the Austin M. E. church. He would be glad to come back here at once if he could be released from this engagement.

## OPPOSED TO NON-PARTISANSHIP.

Hinsdale and Downers Grove Republicans Favor Retaining Town Organization.

Since the recent primaries much discussion has been had on the question of abandoning the non-partisan feature of town politics and hereafter making party nominations for town offices. The plan of retaining the organization in township matters is favored alike by Downers Grove and Hinsdale republicans, and this will doubtless be the result. In commenting on the matter, a Hinsdale local paper voices the sentiments of republicans there as follows: "The death knell of non-partisan politics in our township has been sounded. C. F. Davis, a Downers Grove democrat, now has a clear field for collectorship, occasioned by the withdrawal from the field of Wm. Thayer of our village. It seems very unfortunate that Mr. Thayer was not acquainted with the duties of the office before he consented to have his name go before the voters for collectorship. The fact of his being in the race kept the Hinsdale republicans from the primaries which resulted in the defeat of Conrad Buschman, by a narrow majority of 29 votes. As between Buschman and Davis, the former would have been the choice of Downers Grove township republicans. Mr. Davis will have the distinction of being the last democrat to hold the best office in the gift of the township. And why should it not be thus? Why should not, in an overwhelming republican district, the political offices be held by republicans? In the townships of Laie and Naperville every year straight republican tickets are nominated and generally carried. There are plenty of good men in the republican ranks in Downers Grove township capable of filling the office in the gift of the voters, and why fill them with democrats? They may say, 'Oh, we voted for McKinley last year and in 1900.' Does that make them republicans? Never! They are nothing more or less than free trade democrats, who were forced into the republican ranks through the insane free silver fallacies of the democracy. But once this party sheds the delusive coat of free silverism and returns to its old standard and beliefs, those whom we now proclaim republicans when asking for republican votes, will be found back in the ranks of the democracy. The Beacon believes 'to the victors belong the spoils.' Next year call a republican primary, nominate a good ticket composed of Downers Grove and Hinsdale republicans whose beliefs in the faith are unquestioned. Such a ticket would carry the township by a sweeping majority."

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## AROUND THE COUNTY

INTERESTING NEWS NOTES TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES.

Matters of Prominence Concerning Places and People in DuPage County and Surroundings.

The circuit court petit jury was discharged until April 29, when Judge Wiley will be here and have a case to be disposed of by them.

The several township collectors have made their returns to the County Treasurer. The delinquent list from all appearances bids fair to be the smallest in several years.

Naperville is proud of its electric light plant, having one of the best in the state. The outlay of that city in "electrical supplies" has been considerably over thirty thousand dollars. The city was bonded for the improvement.

Louis Kapp, the man with a "sagaw" graft who served some time in the DuPage county jail has been held to the criminal court of Cook county in bonds of \$5,000. Kapp's chances of learning of the inner workings of that state institution at Joliet were never better.

Last Friday while John Heide of Wheaton, was assisting Joe Hoffman to saw a lot of limb wood with a power circle saw, his hand was drawn into the saw, splitting the middle finger. Amputation of the disabled member was necessary and Mr. Heide is thankful the injury did not take his entire hand.

The home of former Judge William H. Barnum in Riverside, was totally destroyed by fire Monday morning, involving a loss of probably \$20,000. Mr. Barnum was partly overcome by smoke and was helped from the building. He revived when he reached the open air and was able to be at his office in the afternoon.

A few of the wise politicians of Hinsdale have put their heads together and decided that Attorney M. L. Rafferty, who has made several mysterious trips to Springfield, Ill., of late is after one of the choice political plums about to fall from the gubernatorial tree. Brother Rafferty denies the allegation in positive terms, and says his trips are of a private business nature.

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On the 9th of January last, the Wheaton postoffice was burglarized and the thieves escaped by stealing a horse and driving east and placing same in an unused barn at Oak Park. Nothing has been heard of these people. Saturday in the afternoon or early evening before 8:00, the home of A. D. Kelley, of Wheaton, was entered by prying up one of the bay windows. Nearly \$100 in currency, a couple of gold watches, some jewelry, a sweater and several smaller things were taken. Mr. Kelley at once phoned the matter in the hands of the detective bureau of Chicago. No clew has as yet been found, but it is supposed that when the fellows have been found they will be served close to the postoffice robbery.

830 00 TO CALIFORNIA.

One way colored excursion tickets to San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego, February 12, 19, and 26, and special dates in March and April. At so very cheap one way second-class settlers rates to Salt Lake City, Ogden, Minnesota, Manitoba, North Dakota, Montana and North Pacific coast points. Enquire at ticket office for further particulars. A special tourist sleeping car will leave Downers Grove every Tuesday on train No. 5 at 11:45 P. M. for San Francisco and Los Angeles. This will enable one to enjoy a comfortable and interesting trip to California, at a trifling cost.

George Hunt, prominent in Hinsdale politics and legal circles for many years, an attorney general and ex-state senator, died at his home in Riverdale, Sunday morning. His demise was unexpected, as it was thought that an illness from which he had been suffering for ten days was not serious. Early Saturday evening, however, his condition grew worse and he expired before 2 o'clock in the morning.