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FIRE AT POOR FARM

JUDGE BROWN TO CONTINUE ON CIRCUIT BENCH.

Other Matters of Prominence Concerning DuPage County and Surroundings Taken From Exchanges.

On Monday morning about two o'clock Henry Frick, an inmate at the county farm, was awakened by his bedding being on fire and he in a suffocating condition managed to awaken another inmate. Several others were aroused who notified Superintendent Howe that the building was on fire. Fire hose are kept in each hallway which are attached to a large tank in the attic and the fire was soon extinguished. On the third floor of what is known as the old building is a water closet in which is kept a coal hod which is used for holding the sweepings and refuse generally. It is supposed that a partly burned match or fire from a pipe was dropped into the hod during the evening hours which set the mass contained therein on fire and it smoldered for hours before it broke into a flame. A wooden partition was close to the hod and the flames soon blazed to the ceiling and to the attic above when the fire was discovered. Fifteen minutes more would have put the flames beyond control of the fire fighting facilities at the farm and the old addition would have been a mass of ruins, the new building being fire proof.

While Hon. George W. Brown has been elevated by the supreme court judges to the appellate bench of the second district, he will not therefore be prevented from performing his duty as judge in this judicial circuit, as he will devote only about four months each year to his work in the appellate court. In several newspapers in this district appeared the erroneous statements that he would be taken from his work in this circuit court in Kane county beginning Nov. 10. According to reports Judge Brown is giving his associate judges on the appellate bench an object lesson in industry. He has written and has ready to report as soon as court adjourns his opinion on every case which has been allotted to him, which accomplishment is almost unknown among that body of jurists, according to reports. It is believed Judge Brown will do much to relieve the suggestion of business in the appellate court and thereby help many who have business in the courts of this circuit as well as in the other circuits embraced in the second judicial district.—Geneva Republician.

Hinsdale has had the distinction for a number of years of being the only village of its size in the state without banking facilities. In 1892 or '93 a bank was organized in Hinsdale, but advanced no farther than to file an application for a charter. The panic came on and the matter died. T. P. Phillips the wealthy Naperville capitalist and owner of the Dolson & Shepard company has seen the possibilities of the field offered for a bank, and after receiving assurance of the friendly cooperation from local Hinsdale capitalists, he has filed an application to organize the First National bank of Hinsdale with an ample capital stock. He has purchased the vacant southeast corner of Washington and First streets and will erect a modern fireproof bank building and safety deposit vault. It is said Wm. Duncan the present village clerk, is one of the largest stock holders and will become cashier of the new institution.

Capt. A. C. Graves died at his home in Aurora, Thursday morning, Oct. 31st after a lingering illness of several years duration, aged 76 years. Capt. Graves was a resident of DuPage county for several years and served the county two years as its sheriff. At the breaking out of the war he was instrumental in raising company D of the 105th infantry and went to the front as its captain. A few years after the close of the war he moved to Aurora and has since made that city his home. The deceased leaves four daughters, one being the wife of Judge E. H. Gary of Wheaton.

COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES

Wheaton is to be canvassed for the home department.

W. E. Nonnemaker is the new superintendent of the college school at Naperville.

A majority of the scholars in the Methodist school at Naperville take their Bibles every Sunday.

The Congregational school at Hinsdale takes first place with over 400 scholars enrolled. The Methodist school at West Chicago is the second largest in the county.

The township presidents for the coming year are: Addison—Miss Jeanette Lawrence, Itasca; Bloomingdale—W. W. Hallett, Roselle; Wayne—Miss Hattie Fletcher, Wayne; Winfield—Howard Hill, Aurora R. F. D. 2; Milton—Arthur E. Northrup, Wheaton; York—Bry. J. M. Campbell, Lombard; Downers Grove—J. F. Smart, Hinsdale R. F. D.; Lisle—J. F. Strocker, Naperville; Naperville—Frank Morrison, Naperville.

HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Residence of Edward Hanson on Saratoga Avenue Burns Sunday Night.

Fire completely destroyed the home of Edward Hanson, corner Saratoga and Chicago avenues, early Sunday night. A strong wind blowing from the southwest fanned the flames into a fierce blaze and the doomed structure burned rapidly, despite the efforts of the fire department to control the flames. The fire was started from an over heated stove on the second floor of the house. Mr. Hanson is receiving treatment in a Chicago hospital and was not at home. Mrs. Hanson and the members of the family were seated down stairs. The upper portion of the house is unfinished and it is supposed that the rafters became ignited from the stove. When the family discovered the fire the entire upper part of the house was ablaze and the roof was also a mass of flames. The fire department responded promptly to an alarm but the fire had gained such headway their efforts to save the house were futile, and nothing but blackened walls mark the spot. The roof fell in carrying the upper floor with it. Most of the household furniture below stairs was saved. The property was insured for \$1,800 through the agency of W. H. Edwards. The house was insured for \$1,000 in the Glens Falls and \$500 in the Rockford. The furniture was insured for \$300 in the Rockford company. Adjusters were out Tuesday estimating the loss.

THE ENTERTAINMENT COURSE.

The tickets for the Downers Grove entertainment course for the season 1901-2 are ready for delivery to purchasers. The price of each ticket good for the entire course of five entertainments is \$1.50. The holder of each ticket is entitled to select a reserved seat and retain the same for the entire course without extra charge. Tickets may be procured of W. H. Edwards or at the bank or either drug stores. Seats may be reserved by holders of course tickets at either of the drug stores on and after Tuesday, Nov. 19. No trouble or expense has been spared to make the prospective course of entertainment acceptable to the citizens of Downers Grove. The very highest order of talent possible to be obtained has been secured for the course. The entertainments are of a varied character, ranging from slight-of-hand performance to lectures, so that the taste of all may be satisfied. It is hoped that the citizens will generally and in large numbers show their appreciation of the labors of those who have prepared this course of entertainment, and assumed the responsibility thereof, by purchasing tickets promptly.

SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS.

Proceedings of the board of supervisors of DuPage county at a special meeting held in the court house in Wheaton, on Monday, Nov. 11. Meeting called to order with Supervisor McClintock presiding. On call of roll all members answered to their names. Minutes of last preceding meeting were read and declared approved. All bills and communications on file with the clerk were read and referred to their respective committees.

On motion of Supervisor Hamerschmidt Supervisor Bartlett was appointed delegate from DuPage county to attend the 5th annual convention of the National Live Stock association to be held in Chicago, Dec. 3, 4, 5, 6.

On motion of Supervisor Bartlett the bill of Christ Mamer, clerk of the supreme court, Springfield, \$15.75 for court fees was allowed and Sheriff ordered to advance same and include the amount of his bill of expenses to be rendered.

On motion of Supervisor Bartlett the chairman was instructed to purchase 4 sets, 80 feet each, of Falcon hose with reels and nozzle attachments complete, to be used at the county farm for fire protection.

By order of the chair the board took a recess to visit the county farm.

On convening for afternoon session the committee on claims made their report which on motion of Supervisor Bartlett was approved.

On motion of Supervisor Churchill the chairman of the board was authorized to sign petition, frontage for any one side of the court house ground for a sewerage system, to correspond with the system which may be adopted by the city of Wheaton.

On motion of Supervisor Bartlett, committee on court house and grounds were authorized to purchase two flags, size to correspond with the one borrowed from Mr. A. D. Kelley, one of which to be returned to him in lieu of the one which he loaned to the county, and the other to be retained for use on the court house.

On recommendation of the chairman of the county farm committee the board purchased of Louis Boniking, an organ at the price of \$65, same to be placed in the county clubhouse.

H. F. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

Bargains at the Fair. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. National Light oil at Nash's. Additional local news on fifth page. R. M. Cole and family have moved to Bensenville.

Mrs. Green, nurse; 100 Curtiss street, Downers Grove.

States Attorney Slusser returned from the east the fore part of the week. Ben T. Damers a former employe of the piano factory, has gone to New York.

Vafentine Wohlhutter has moved to Chicago in order to be nearer his employment.

Tobias Bocher of New York is visiting this week with his sister, Mrs. W. H. Hoover, here.

Have you purchased a ticket to the Firemen's ball? Do so and help a deserving organization.

Mrs. A. P. Daniels entertained at a dinner yesterday in honor of Mrs. Emma P. Garnett of Chicago.

T. H. Ketchum, formerly trouble man here for the Chicago Telephone Co., is now located at LaGrange.

Mrs. J. E. Harris and son Edgar, of Meriden, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Mrs. Harry Snyder.

Benj. Prentiss moved to Chicago for the winter. Chas. Prentiss has also taken up his residence in the city.

Try Maple City Self Washing soap for washing woollens or lace curtains. It is unequalled for washing ladies' shirt waists.

Geo. T. Knox of Downers Grove was married to a Chicago lady one day last week. They will make their home in the city.

Beautiful pictures, framed, given away with .75 wrappers of Badger soap at the Fair. Come and get 1 coupon worth 25 wrappers.

Maple City Self Washing soap not only saves the wear on your clothes, because less rubbing is required, but it saves fully half the labor.

Sabbath services at the Congregational church. Morning, "The subsoil of christian consecration." Evening, Prof. P. P. Bilhorn and wife.

D. G. Graham has legal blanks and all facilities for execution of wills and has had years of successful experience in that line. Give him a call. Charges reasonable.

Buy Wrisley's white borax and Old Country soap, and get the latest art pictures for the wrappers. The only genuine white borax soap on the market for sale at Nash's.

Mrs. Geo. Coffin of Rock Island and Mrs. J. E. Burdige of Elgin, are the guests of their brother, C. F. Davis, Sunday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Davis, they visited relatives at Fullerton.

Henry Dibble, brother-in-law of Marshall Field, took luncheon at W. S. Bryan's last Saturday. After driving over part of the estate they drove out to J. Klein's to look over some stock.

Michael Fitzgerald was found dead in his bed Friday morning at his home near Laco. A coroner's inquest determined the cause of death as being paralysis of the heart. He was a bachelor. The funeral was held Sunday and burial was made in the Laco cemetery.

Again the cry is going up for the removal of one hose cart to some location on the north side. The firemen oppose this and term it a very foolish proposition. They want all their apparatus centrally located in one building. The necessity for this is obvious if one stops to consider the matter.

There was a rear-end collision of the "J" Tuesday morning a half mile north of Wayne though no one was hurt. The head train was stalled by a leakage in the air pipes and a flagman sent back to flag the second train, but the engine on this train was leaking so much steam that the flagman could not be seen. The engine was badly battered, the way car was lifted from its trucks and placed on top of a box car in front, in this manner was taken to Joliet. Other cars were wrecked.

Oil. Family Safety. Halter keeps Lipton's tea. Best oil in town at C. S. Hughes. Aunt Jemima pancake flour at Nash's. John Haas of Naperville was here Tuesday.

Dr. Kannonis is enjoying his annual vacation now.

Mrs. Mellie Davenport is spending a few weeks in Aurora.

L. E. Stanley has taken a position with the Armour Packing company.

Mrs. Alex. Gray of Chicago, visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. J. Gray, last week.

Mrs. Harriet Winslow and Miss Gertrude Gibbs will spend the winter in the city.

Tickets for the Deestrick Skule are selling rapidly. Reserved seats at the drug stores.

W. C. Clough who has been employed at Bush & Simonson's has returned to Chicago.

If you want your clothes to be clean and white, use Maple City soap as directed on the wrapper.

Billy Lawson and the Halter Skalter club gave a masque ball at the Auditorium last Friday evening.

Don't forget that the Deestrick Skule at the Auditorium, Friday evening, commences at 8 o'clock sharp.

Richelieu Sundried Japan tea put up in one pound and half pound packages is simply delicious. J. W. NASH.

S. H. Frey moved his family to Chicago Monday where they will make their permanent home at 836 Park Ave.

I have a good 6-room modern house in convenient location to sell on easy monthly or quarterly payments. D. G. GRAHAM.

The Fraternity of the Phi Seta Phi gave a gentlemen's evening at the home of Miss Lillian Dawes, Holloway-on-Eve.

Orders for Pennsylvania and Standard oils and gasoline may be left at Bush & Simonson's drug store. Muzzey will promptly fill your cans.

Miss Florence Tripp returned Monday from a three weeks visit with relatives and friends in Lake county. Her mother, J. W. Tripp, returned with her.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Honess and son of Littleton, New Hampshire, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. White this week while enroute to Aberdeen, So. Dakota.

Into each life some ruins must fall, wise people don't sit down and bawl; only fools suicide or take to flight, smart people take Rocky Mountain Tea at night. Ask your druggist.

Klein's market is undergoing extensive repairs and alterations preparatory to the holiday trade. The interior will be finished in white enamel paint and will present a very attractive appearance.

Archie Farrar was here Sunday visiting his parents. He has been transferred from Galeburg, where he has made his head quarters, to Chicago, and will again reside in Downers Grove.

There will be a lecture on Christian Science at the Auditorium on LaGrange on Tuesday evening, Nov. 19, by Edward A. Kimball, C. S. D., chairman of the international board of lecturership. The lecture is free and the people of Downers Grove are extended a special invitation to be present.

THE METHODIST REVIVAL.

Evangelist Shawhan of Kansas City, Missouri to Help.

Special gospel meetings will be conducted in the M. E. church, beginning next Sunday. Evangelist Shawhan of Kansas City, Mo., will aid Pastor Rood in these special meetings. During the past year Mr. Shawhan has conducted meetings in St. Louis, Kansas City and Denver, and is regarded as one of



the leading evangelists of the country. He has been especially successful in reaching the eminent business men. At his meeting at Nubans, Ill., Judge Francis M. Wright of the supreme court was among the converts. Says a pastor: "While Mr. Shawhan is one of the rarest platform speakers in the country. The secret of his power lies in his absolute dependence upon the spirit of God to melt the hearts of the impenitent. In look and voice and hand grasp one feels the presence of a holy influence, which accounts for his great success." Mr. Shawhan will preach three times Sunday.

"THE DEESTRICK SKULE"

The cast of characters for the "Deestrick Skule" to be put on in the Auditorium, Nov. 15, is composed of Downers Grove talent, consisting of gentlemen of ability and ladies of grace and culture and the assurance is that this will be one of the strongest ever appearing in this city. The lines will be new and original, each incident of the play being from life as Prof. Kelley experienced it in his fifty-six years of continuous school work. If you wish to enjoy many hearty laughs at good clean fun next Friday will be the time to secure them. Be early to witness the street scene, the roll call and opening song. The costumes and everything connected with the entertainment promises to be intensely mirth provoking. Mrs. Sweetbrier and her large family; her little four-year-old boy and his piece; the big and small twins, brothers and sisters; Bridget O'Flynn, Biddy O'Flaherty, Patrick Eagan, Elizabeth Victoria Plantagenet, Yawcob Schweitzer and Miss Orphens Philaria; the sweet singer of the Tribby song and the committeemen; all will be there. Reserved seats may be secured at the drug stores. Following is the cast of characters:

- Heshiah Potts, son of Deacon Potts
- M. R. Kelly, Schoolmaster
- Joseph Steinfelch
- Billy O'Flaherty
- Elizabeth Victoria Plantagenet
- Cynthia Dusenberry
- Miss Minnie Simpkins
- Yawcob Schweitzer
- Sally Buttercup
- Patrick Eagan
- Smart Aedg
- Patty Snodgrass
- Cristie Pittsford
- Bank Pittsford
- Nimrod Simpkins
- Belinda Bumpus
- Gloriana Gadabout
- John Slick
- Veranda Gooseberry
- Ebenezer Treeclimber
- Dorcas Doolittle
- Patty Smallweed
- Taffy Tois
- Phineas Huckleberry
- Mrs. Sweetbrier
- Faraway Comfort
- Felicity Hope
- Nellie Carpenter
- Miss Dora
- Elisabeth
- Elijah
- Harry Foster
- Enoch (4 yrs old) Judson Hancock
- Mrs. Harry Courtwright
- Patience Flynn
- Timothy Truck
- Salvation Bradford
- Orphens Philaria
- Dolly Dimple
- Desnon Blowcock
- Squire Kicker
- Dr. Wiscrope
- Dr. T. F. Leach
- Quarrel
- Miss Gertrude Chambers
- Mrs. H. E. Saunders

Parker sells and hangs more paper than any man in town. See him about your work at 71 Gilbert avenue, or leave word with Hughes at the hardware store.

Don't be fooled by the way father used to paint, it stands to reason that S. W. P. Co. with their modern machinery can mix paint better than some painters with a stick. He is in an old rut, don't be contented with the back number. See C. S. Hughes about modern painting.

ECONOMIC LEAGUE.

HOWARD P. JONES READS INTERESTING PAPER ON THE PRESENT CRISIS.

The Philippine Question is Treated in an Extensive Address Followed by a General Discussion.

The regular meeting of the Economic League was held at the Congregational church last Thursday evening. A paper by Howard P. Jones was read on "The Present Crisis: In relation to the Philippine Islands." He said: "There was once an old farmer in one of the New England states. A hard-headed practical Yankee, lean and long with an eye always open to the main chance. The old man had a son who was somewhat headstrong but still a pretty good sort of a lad. One day the youngster went to the neighboring town and invested his savings in a half broken colt. He paid a good stiff price for the animal which he secured after much dickering and with a good deal of trouble hitched the beast to a cart and started home.

"The road was up hill most of the way and for a time he got along well enough. When he struck the turn at his father's farm the colt began to buck up and taking the bit in his teeth boiled down the road at a pretty good clip. The highway led down a steep hill and turned at the bottom skirting a stone wall—a terrible place for a smash up. Just below the home gate was a lane straight and well fenced which led to the hill pasture. The folks heard the boy and the colt coming pounding along the road and with the old man ran to see what was the matter. To help things along two of the younger brothers of the lad climbed on the fence waving their arms and shouting with more zeal than sense. The boy's mother cried: 'Jump out my boy and let the horse go.' The old man stood quickly to the gate and shouted: 'Head up the lane lad and stick to the wagon!'

"It is a far cry from the hills of New England to the Philippines but it seems to me that the present crisis in national affairs is a good deal like that Yankee boy's fix. The unruly horse has been bought at a ruinous price; it is coming pounding along the road and death and destruction are imminent. Small boys are not lacking to add to the danger of the situation with their excited antics. Mother Prudence is crying 'Jump out and let things go where they will!' But the good common sense of Brother Jonathan shouts, 'Head up the fenced lane to the government pasture and stick to the wagon.'

"Carry this comparison a little further if you please. The lad in that cart drawn wildly along by the runaway colt was facing a new condition. Probably he never before had journeyed as such a rate of speed and he was undoubtedly some scared. But the old man had years of experience with wild colts and out of that experience came the command which would save the boy. So too in our present reaching over seas to the islands far to the westward we are facing a new condition. But Old Brother Jonathan has faced new conditions before and after bringing thousands of acres of wild land from the Atlantic to the Pacific under reasonable cultivation he is not going to sit idly by and see the hope of his life dashed to pieces by a new condition. Experience has taught him that the lane to the government pasture leading up the territorial hill to statehood is a road which will cool the ardor of the widest runaway and so he shouts: 'Head up the lane lad and stick to the wagon!'

"And so I take it in spite of the cries of excitable youth and the counsels of fearsome prudence we the people of the United States in the present crisis are just going to 'Head up the lane and stick to the wagon.'

"Before discussing in detail the conditions which now confront the country it will be well to look at the foundations of the government which has stretched out its protecting arm over the Philippines and see if there is really, as has been so often said, any thing repugnant to our traditions in the present situation.

"From its earliest days the growth of this country has been a continual stretching out of its boundaries. By conquest and by purchase as well as by the natural expansion of a people it extended its borders. It is late indeed for us to raise the ethical question of the right of the government which we are proud to claim as our own, to acquire possessions by conquest.

"The broad sweep of this western country as well as the more restricted boundaries of the eastern states were taken by the strong arm of the white man from the darker skinned natives. True in many cases a miserable stipend of payment was made. We read of the sale of large tracts by Indian chiefs for a useless fable and a half dozen antiquated muskets. No objection was raised to the deal by which the white man secured the hidden wealth of the forests, or the Alaskan territories purchased without the consent of the