DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

NINETEENTH YEAR. DOWNERS GROVE, DuPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1902.

AMENDS MANY ORDINANCES.

BOARD MAKES CHANGES IN WATER AND LIGHT RATES AND LIQUOR ORDINANCE.

Provisions of Ordinances Are Changed to Prevent Bunching of Light Charges—Further Restrict Sale of Liquor.

Further changes in the ordinances governing charges for water and electric light were made by the board of trustees Monday night and now the members think they have they have matter down to a science. The change in the light ordinance was made to prevent consumers who have several taps from bunching the bills and securing a discount upon the total. Hereafter each tap must be paid for separately.

The water rates were changed so that no discount is allowed on minimum rate bills and rate raised so that 11 cents per 1,000 gallons is the minimum price for all water used over 50,000 gallons. This was done because under the old rate water furnished over that amount was pumped at a loss.

The liquor ordinance also came in for a share of attention and further restrictions were placed on the sale of beer by peddlers. The ordinances as passed follow:

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 8, of chapter xxi, of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for revising, amending and consolidating the general ordinances of the Village of Downers Grove, county of DuPage, state of Illinois, passed and approved May 3, A. D. 1897.

Be it ordained by the president and board of trustees of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, state of Illinois.

Section 1. That section 8, of chapter xxi, of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for revising, amending and consolidating the general ordinances of the Village of Downers Grove," be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 8. On and after May 1st, A. D. 1902, water will be furnished consumers at meter rates only. The following rates are adopted and established:

First	2,000 gal.	30c per M gal.,	$0.60 for	2,000	gal.
Next	3,000 "	25c " "	1.35 "	5,000	"
"	5,000 "	20c " "	2.35 "	10,000	"
"	10,000 "	15c " "	3.85 "	20,000	"
"	10,000 "	10c " "	5.35 "	30,000	"
"	10,000 "	12c " "	6.55 "	40,000	"
"	10,000 "	12c " "	7.75 "	50,000	"

And 11 cents per 1,000 gallons for all over 50,000 gallons. The foregoing rates are the rates that are to be paid by the consumers for each quarter year or fraction thereof. The minimum rates per quarter or fraction thereof shall be $1.25 per tap. The water rate shall be be computed from May 1st in each year and shall be due and payable at the end of each quarter at the office of the village collector. A discount of 10 per cent shall be allowed if payment is made within fifteen days after the rates become due and payable on all bills the amount of which will be, or exceed, $1.25 per quarter after discount has been deducted. If the said water rates are not paid within fifteen days after the same have become due and payable the water shall be shut off without further notice.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in force force from and after its passage and publication. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed Oct. 6, 1902.

Approved Oct. 6, 1902.

L. B. GESNER, President.

Attest, J. W. GRAVES, Clerk pro tem.

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 1, of chapter viii, of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for revising, amending and consolidating the general ordinances of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, Illinois."

Be it ordained by the president and board of trustees of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, Illinois.

Section 1. That section 1, of chapter viii, of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for revising, amending and consolidating the general ordinances of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, Illinois," be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. No person, either as principal, agent, clerk or servant, shall within the corporate limits of said village sell, give away or otherwise distribute any fermented cider, hard cider, ale, porter, wine, rum, brandy, gin, whisky, bitters or other intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, nor shall distribute, except that the holder of a license, as provided in section 1 A of this chapter may lawfully sell malt liquors only in quantities of not less than one gallon at any time, provided that no sale of liquor as a beverage in any quantity shall be made to be drunk on the premises where sold, nor in or upon any place or premises adjacent thereto, nor to a person intoxicated, nor to a person who is in the habit of getting intoxicated, nor to a minor, nor on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday; and provided further, that no sale, delivery or distribution of the same shall be made by any one after dark, nor shall any one who holds a license as provided in section 1 A of this chapter be entitled to sell from, deliver or distribute with more than one vehicle, nor conduct, operate or maintain more than one place of business for that purpose at a time.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.' This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Passed Oct. 6, 1902.

Approved Oct. 6, 1902.

L. B. GESNER, President.

Attest, J. W. GRAVES, Clerk pro tem.

AN ORDINANCE to amend sections 5 and 7 of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance concerning the electric light system of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, Illinois."

Be it ordained by the president and board of trustees of the Village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, state of 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 county, Illinois," passed May 25th, 1900, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 5. The meter rate to be charged for electric light within the corporate limits of the Village of Downers Grove, shall be three-fourths of one cent per hour as recorded by the meter for each lamp of 16-candle power, subject to the minimum charge of one dollar per month per connection. All consumers who do not use meters shall pay a flat rate for the use of the electric light as follows: For the use of one lamp of 16-candle power one dollar per month and forty cents per month for each additional lamp of 16-candle power not exceeding twenty lamps, and thirty cents per lamp for each lamp additional above twenty lamps.

Sec. 7. All bills for electric light shall be mailed to the consumers by the collector of the village on or before the 10th day of the succeeding month for electric light used during the preceding month, and upon all bills under the meter rates which are paid on or before the day said electric lights become due, as provided in section 6 of this ordinance, a discount shall be allowed at the rate of 10 per cent, provided the total amount of said bill be less than three dollars.

An additional discount of 1 per cent shall be allowed for each dollar in excess of two dollars up to and including bills of sixteen dollars, and a total discount of 25 per cent on all bills of over sixteen dollars. No discount shall be allowed, however, so as to reduce any bill below the minimum of one dollar. If any electric light bill is not paid within ten days fom the day it becomes due, as aforesaid the light shall be cut off from such consumer in default without notice.

The Village of Downers Grove reserves the right to cut off the supply of electric light at any time without incurring any liability or cause of action for damages of any kind, any permit or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding, nor shall such village be liable for loss or damages resulting directly or indirectly from any connection or attachment to the electric light wires of said village. If any consumer or consumers of electric light under flat rates shall waste electricity by keeping the current turned on the entire night without sufficient cause or reason, or shall in any other way unnecessarily waste electricity, the village reserves the right to cut off the supply of electricity without further notice.

In all cases when any consumer shall be cut off from the supply of electric light for any of the reasons named 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 of two dollars for reconnection.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and legal publication.

Passed Oct. 6, 1902.

Approved Oct. 6, 1902.

L. B. GESNER, President.

Attest, J. W. GRAVES, Clerk pro tem.

The collector's report showed a total of $274.88 collected for month of September, as follows: Licenses $2.50, water rates $114.87, electric lights $142.01, tapping fees $24, dog licenses $2, material $89.50.

The village treasurer's report showed the following items. Balance on hand at last report $1,884.72, receipts since date $922.61, expenditures $741.99, present balance $2,065.77.

Claims aggregating $1,028.26 were ordered paid from funds as follows: General fund $119.39, street and alley fund $265.88, water and light $587.50, fire fund $55.50.

Local and Personal Paragraphs

White Rose gasoline, Nash's.

Cook's Flaked Rice at the Fair.

Additional local news on 5th page.

Wheaton has a number of cases of smallpox.

Cream puffs every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at Rang's.

Don't pay $1.10 for sack of flour when you can buy it for 96 cents at the Fair.

Miss Emma Skinner returned Monday from a week's visit with friends in Chicago.

F. P. Bean and wife of Westchester, Ohio, are guests of J. W. Nash and family this week.

E. L. Booth and family, who have occupied the Hayes' residence during the summer, have returned to Chicago.

Harry S. Wheeler has been compelled, owing to failing health, to seek a dryer climate, and has gone to Monterey, Mexico.

Mrs. Addie C. Scott, who has been spending several weeks with her son, returned to her home at Sterling on Monday.

Mrs. J. D. McVean and daughter, Inez, returned to Los Angeles Friday, after several months' visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Harry Cronin of Chicago was the guest of friends here last week. Mrs. Cronin will be remembered by Downers Grove residents as Miss Lou DuPree.

Mrs. C. H. Radell, who has been visiting her brother-in-law, W. H. Radell, and family for several weeks, returned to her home at Mauston, Wis., last Sunday.

Straube pianos in a large assortment of attractive cases, either for cash or on time. Call on E. Hersberg at the factory and let him show you the instruments.

Irving G. Heart has purchased of the Lyman estate the cottage occupied by John Rutherford on Washington street. Mr. Rutherford and family will occupy the Mayer house on the north side.

Next Sabbath being conference Sunday there will be no preaching service at the Methodist church. But the Sunday school at 12 m. and the Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. will be held as usual.

A Schubert musicale will be given Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 2:30 p. m. in the club rooms, under the auspices of the Downers Grove Woman's club. The public is cordially invited. Admission, 10 cents.

Samuel Blake, father of Mrs. T. H. Kennison, died Monday at the residence of his daughter after an illness extending over a year. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning and the remains taken to Maine for burial.

The executive committee and all others interested interested in the Downers Grove lecture and entertainment course will meet in D. G. Graham's office Saturday evening of this week to arrange for a course for the fall and winter.

The "trip around the world," which was advertised in last week's issue by the Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church, to be given on the evening of Oct. 16, has been postponed one week and will occur on the evening of the 23d. By order committee.

Lovers of the succulent mushroom are finding these delectable fungi in all sorts of out-of-the-way places and pedestrians through the residence portion of the village are often surprised to find the fungi growing on well-kept lawns. Parties return from the woods almost daily with ladened baskets.

Our efficient school superintendent, Professor Searles, received an offer this week of a position as principal of a county high school at Dillon, Mont., at a salary of $2,000 per year. Of course, this was an important offer, but Mr. Searles did not consider it, as he feels, in common with the board of education and patrons of the school, that his work and first duty are with the Downers Grove schools in which, with the assistance of his capable corps of teachers, such good results are being accomplished.

At the fourth quarterly conference held at the Methodist church Friday evening, Sept. 26, the pastor was unanimously invited to return for the third year. The past year has been a prosperous one for the church. Forty-five have been added to its membership and all the departments of the church are in good condition. About $400 have been raised for various benevolent enterprises, such as missions, Freedman's Aid society, church extension, worn out preachers, etc. Nearly $2,000 has been subscribed, which insures the payment of the long standing debt against the church and parsonage property.

National Light oil at Nash's.

California Tokay grapes at Gerwig's.

Best oil in town at Curtiss & Hoarle's.

Choice melons and fruits at Gerwig's.

Mrs. D. G. Graham is visiting in Indiana.

Leon E. Stimson has been spending a week at Kittery, Me.

Malta-Cera breakfast food, pre-digested, at Gerwig's.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Dexter will move to Chicago next month to spend the winter.

C. B. Blodgett returned the first of the week from Springfield, where he had been attending the state fair.

County Clerk Lawrence was in this part of the county Tuesday placing the election notices with the supervisors.

Ho for Cement Sidewalks!—A. F. Riddelman will build you a walk that will last you a lifetime. Give him a call.

H. S. Wheeler has arrived at his destination in Mexico and feels much encouraged as to the state of his health.

Mrs. M. Winters returned to her home in Chicago Monday after a visit of a month with her daughter, Mrs. A. Krambe.

For Sale.—Large storm door, screen door, cistern pump, coffee grinder and scales, a few tea and coffee boxes. Mrs. L. Buck, 103 North Foote street.

Mrs. A. Krambe is having a number of alterations and improvements made on her residence property at East Grove, including new porches and a foundation.

J. E. Colvell, who occupies the old Clevinger place at East Grove, has a severely sprained ankle, the result of a fall on a slippery walk in Chicago one day last week.

The members of the Eleventh Congressional District Republican Editorial association will be the guests of Warden E. J. Murphy at the Joliet penitentiary Saturday, Oct. 11.

Place your orders now for soft coal before further advances. We have as yet a good stock of Hocking lump, also Carterville washed egg and Range in stock and in transit. Mertz & Mochel.

Rev. Charles Reynolds and wife will occupy the McBertie residence on Lyman avenue, formerly occupied by Rev. E. H. Libby and family. Mrs. Reynolds came out from Englewood yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Kennison and family desire to express their heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly extended to them their assistance and sympathy in their recent bereavement and sorrow.

The DuPage County Sunday School association will hold its annual convention Thursday and Friday, Oct. 16 and 17, at West Chicago. Every Sunday school teacher in our county ought to attend to get and give all the help possible.

Frank J. Knight, the popular republican candidate for county treasurer, was in Downers Grove Saturday receiving the assurances of his friends that the usual handsome republican majorities would be rolled up here in November. Mr. Knight is popular with all classes and his candidacy is gaining strength daily.

Willie Adams, son of J. C. Adams of East Grove, will probably lose the sight of one eye, the result of a dangerous pastime indulged in by schoolboys. Himself and playmates had a habit of fastening a bent pin on a string and swinging it around their heads. A week or so ago, while indulging in the practice, one of the pins caught in Willie's nose, tearing the flesh. The wound was irritated by his scratching it and blood poison resulted, which was communicated to the eyes. Specialists in Chicago have operated twice on the lad and another operation may be necessary. They doubt their ability to save the sight of one eye.

Rev. H. H. Rood left yesterday for the Rock River Annual Conference, which met Wednesday morning in the M. E. church at Austin. This is the annual gathering of the ministers of the Methodist Episcopal church of northern Illinois, for the transaction of business and for the readjustment of appointments for another conference year. The session usually continues about one week and all the meetings are full of interest, especially to Methodist people. There is usually a great deal of anxiety among the preachers as to the appointments for another year. Many changes are inevitable and in some cases final conclusion is not known until the bishop reads the appointments, which is the last thing done before adjournment.

WAY TO SAVE HARD MAPLES.

Correspondent Says Systematic Trimming of Dead Limbs Will Prevent Death.

In view of the fact that many of the fine maple trees of this village are in an unhealthy condition and seem to be dying at the top, the following communication concerning a similar condition of things will be of interest: "The hard maple is certainly one of the handsomest of shade trees. Some knowledge of tree planting and not a little care for years afterwards, especially in case of drought when frequent waterings must be resorted to, are required to produce a healthy growth and a beautiful tree. Thereupon it is a pity to see so many of our fine maples gradually dying. The cause of the dying off of the branches is principally due to insufficient nourishment, due probably to the successive years of drought that prevailed from ten down to three years ago. Five years ago some of the maples in front of my house commenced to die. I had not only the dead branches cut out, but trimmed the trees down so that only half the branches were left and the result showed a stronger growth the following year and today the trees have almost recovered their former size and appear to be healthy. To make cutting down successful it is absolutely certain that much more than the dead wood be removed, otherwise such work is useless. The cut ends of branches left on the tree should be painted or covered with tree wax. These shade trees are certainly worth an effort to save them. During this month is a good time to do the necessary pruning."

A REMARKABLE YEAR FOR TRAVEL.

An official of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad recently made the statement that 70,000 people had gone to Colorado on tourist tickets during the season just passed. Thousands of others have made the Yellowstone Park trip and the prospects for an unusually heavy California business this fall and winter are remarkable. Asked for the reason of it he said: "The American people are just finding out that here in America we have in Colorado the most attractive country in the world for seekers after health and pleasure. The mountain scenery, the superb climate and the excellent hotel accommodations cannot be excelled and as people find out that it takes only two nights on the road to go from the Atlantic coast to Denver, is it a wonder that Colorado has entered the field as a competitor of Europe for summer travelers. And as for California, where in all of Europe or America is the winter more delightful. Since we started our 'Personally Conducted' parties from Boston, Chicago and St. Louis to the Pacific coast great numbers of people and people of moderate means, too, make it a yearly practice to spend some months in California. The expense is small and living in California is remarkably cheap."

WORKING FOR SOLDIERS' MONUMENT.

G. B. Kimball of Hinsdale and Capt. T. S. Rogers of Downers Grove, who is commander of Naper post, G. A. R., are taking an active interest in the matter of erecting a suitable and durable monument to assist in perpetuating and honoring the memory of the heroes who offered and gave their lives in defense of their country. The Oak Forest Cemetery company has generously offered to donate a suitable lot, with perpetual care, on which it can be built, of suitable size to accommodate the few veterans who may die in our vicinity without friends or means to provide their own lot. These men are receiving the hearty encouragement of all those to whom they have broached the subject. They have secured a number of designs of monuments, with estimates of their cost, the prices ranging from $500 to $1,500, and as much higher as the amount of money which can be secured would warrant. It is desirable to have as good a monument as can be afforded and the suggestion is that subscriptions be solicited from patriotic citizens for the purpose, and if a sufficient amount is pledged then the subscribers to select a committee from among their number to select on a design and collect the subscriptions.

ANOTHER FAST MAIL WRECK.

E. W. Otto and John Bradbury of Downers Grove were in a wreck on the west-bound fast mail at Galva Tuesday morning. The train left the rails and the fireman, M. Sands, was killed and the engineer injured. Neither Otto nor Bradbury were injured. The former was in a wreck at Galesburg only a few weeks ago and escaped with a few minor bruises. The engine ran into an embankment and fell upon its side at right angles to the track, pinning the fireman beneath the tender. A coal gate had been dropped from the tender of a west bound train and lay upon the north track. This caused the accident.

ANNEXATION AND DRAINAGE.

ONE CORRESPONDENT SPEAKS OF THEM OF MOMENTOUS IMPORTANCE.

Strong Attitude and Property Owners in Poor Condition—Trustee Says the Trouble Is Financial.

One correspondent sums up the present life of Downers Grove in the following letter, and Trustee Ione of northside on part of its officials so far thinks during the reason why the village does not advance more rapidly. The water also taken up at north office who can do prevent the annexation by the village of that section lying north of Gilmore avenue, and claims they take one stand through selfish motives. Nearly ing sidewalks, bad drainage and several mongers also come in for a share of censure, but no plan is suggested for betterment. The correspondent writes:

Editor Reporter: Does the making wonder why the village of Downers Grove does not grow and prosper when its officials quench every effort there on the outskirts of the village put forth to enter the village limits, thereby adding in support of same? Petitions, signed by property owners and presented for approval, have been rejected because a few selfish residents just on the border line, who are enjoying every benefit the village can afford, are not willing to pay extra taxes for such benefits, while all other property owners are more than ready to help support and increase the village funds for improvements, making it more attractive to strangers and more comfortable to those just outside the gates.

They also allow officials to hold office who ignore the wish of those who hard earned dollars help to fill their pockets; whose neglect of the duties of the said office invites not only the inconveniences but imperils the health and sanitary condition of the entire village; who refuse even to acknowledge receipt of petitions, signed by property owners or residents who are sufferers by neglect of proper drainage and impassable roads.

Why wonder in the least that we are unable to attract more desirable residents, when they would be compelled to build row boats and steel canoes in order to get to their residences, or possibly their houses, and then be stranded there with material loss. Can you blame city people for naming the place "Sick Hole," "Desolate Wilderness" and "Fever Breeding Desert," when even the wooden sidewalks will float into people's back yards and be converted into fuel?

Elect only such men for office as will conscientiously fulfill the duties of such office for the honor and usefulness it will bestow, and not simply for the recompense derived therefrom.

If such citizens would devote his or her time to seeing what good they can do in the community, instead of wasting precious time in scandalizing and enlarging upon the faults and errors of their neighbors, they would accomplish some surprising results.

R. R. J.

CASH ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rhead of Chicago were calling on Our friends last Sunday.

E. Chase is harvesting his "billy-goat" grass, as he calls it, and a fine crop it is.

Charles Wing is the champion tomato raiser, having some of the finest fruit we have seen this year.

Miss Amy Andrus says the report that she was going south was a little premature, as she is not going until cool weather sets in.

The necktie social at George Lattaford's last week was postponed on account of rain, but will be held Friday evening of this week.

Chester Heart has a distinct remembrance of an immense sea serpent while fishing at Sunnyside recently, but not having his kodak he failed to secure a negative.

The ladies say no young gentleman who can properly show to advantage a handsome necktie should neglect to put in an appearance at the social Friday evening.

Farmers ought to insure with a farmers' insurance company, whose main policy holder is a member, getting protection for the actual cost of insurance and whose officers are within easy reach at all times, instead of insuring with foreign companies whose main office is located in Boston, New York or some other distant place.

The annual business meeting of the Downers Grove Drill Corps will be held Friday evening, Oct. 10. All members of the corps are requested to be present, as business of vital importance is to be transacted and plans for the ensuing winter discussed. An effort will be made to secure a permanent home for the corps and to provide for its financial support.