

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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Two Notable Weddings

First of Early Autumn Weddings Occurred this Week.

Marriage of Miss Gertrude R. Fraenkel to Mr. Robert J. Darnley followed by that of Mr. Wm. H. Edwards to Miss Alice A. Stanley.

Two early autumn weddings of more than usual interest have enlivened affairs socially this week.

The first of these prominent events was the quiet but pretty home wedding of Miss Gertrude R. Fraenkel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fraenkel of East Grove. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents, Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, in the presence of members of the families only. Dr. Charles Reynolds, pastor of the First Congregational church, gave the service using the double ring ceremony. The bride was given away by her father.

The bride's gown was of white Persian lawn with a yoke of all-over lace, and was trimmed with applique medallions. White roses formed the bridal bouquet. The only ornament worn was a sunburst set with a diamond and pearls, a gift of the groom.

The rooms were elaborately decorated with white roses, asters and ferns. Following the ceremony refreshments were served from a table decorated in the same flowers.

The young couple is well known in Downers Grove where the bride is an especial favorite in social circles and numbers her well wishes by the score. Mr. Darnley has a prominent position in the general offices of the Burlington railway and is to be congratulated on securing such a charming life companion.

Mr. and Mrs. Darnley left Tuesday night for a trip to Colorado and Salt Lake City and will be at home after Nov. 15, at 44 Warren avenue.

EDWARDS-STANLEY WEDDING.

Following close upon the Darnley-Fraenkel nuptials came the wedding of Mr. William Henry Edwards to Miss Allie Adele Stanley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter C. Stanley of Downers Grove.

This wedding was solemnized yesterday evening at the bride's home, 83 South Main street, at eight o'clock. Rev. H. Booth Hazen of the Baptist church read the ceremony uniting the couple. Owing to illness in the bride's family the wedding was a quiet affair, only members of the families being present.

The bride was attired in a gown of brown mousseline de soie over silk, trimmed in creamy lace and chiffon. The only jewel worn was an elegant crescent of pearls, a gift from the bridegroom.

Both of the principals are prominent in church and social circles in Downers Grove and their many friends unite in extending congratulations and good wishes. The bride is a daughter of one of the pioneer families of the village and is universally esteemed for her many excellent qualities. The groom has long been identified with the substantial business institutions of Downers Grove and is one of its most prosperous business men. He is at present actively engaged in the brokerage business.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards will leave tonight on a wedding trip through the north and on returning will be at home to their friends at 38 East Maple avenue. The guests from out of town were Mayor A. C. Klingman and wife of Battle Creek, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Gokey of West Chicago.

A NEW BOOK ABOUT NEBRASKA.

The best and most comprehensive work on Nebraska ever produced has just been issued by the Burlington Route. It has 48 finely illustrated pages packed full of just the sort of information a prospective settler wants.

In addition there is a large sectional map of the state which is accurate in every detail. There is no country under the sun where men of push and energy have a better chance to succeed. It is a paradise for "good renters" for they will not be compelled to rent long in Nebraska. Send today for a copy of the book. No charge. P. S. Fostis, Passenger traffic manager, 209 Adams street, Chicago.

HUNTINGTON WINS TOURNAMENT.

E. H. Huntington, Jr., easily defeated Harry Slusser in the final or challenge match of the Downers Grove Tennis club's tournament Saturday afternoon. Huntington took three straight sets with a score of 6-2, 6-2, 7-5. Huntington did not play in the tournament proper but challenged the winner of that event. Slusser, who led in the tournament played a good game but was out-classed by Huntington. There is still hopes of arranging a ladies' tournament before the end of the season.

FIREMEN'S PICNIC A SUCCESS.

All Records Broken For Department's Annual Labor Day Event.

The Downers Grove Fire Department broke all records for attendance at its annual Labor day picnic Monday. From noon until late in the evening Lyman's grove was thronged with thousands of people who came to participate in the sports and pastimes provided for their amusement.

The parade formed at noon and headed by Fire Marshal Samuel Hoffert and Assistant Peter Johnson, and led by the Hinckley Military band the department marched through the downtown streets and west to the grove. The fun commenced fast and furious shortly after their arrival and a brisk business was done at the refreshment booths, the cane and knife racks and the dodging coon all furnishing their share toward the general hilarity.

The races began at 3 o'clock. The events and winners are as follows: Men's 100-yard race, Harry Darnley first, Marlon Stanley second; Ladies' 75-yard race, Miss Ida Helbig first, Miss Florence Staffeldt second; boys' 75-yard race, A. Kline first, L. Ode second; girls' 75-yard race, Grace Shannabrook first, Belle Oldfield second; fat men's 50-yard race, Charlie Hedge first; James Raby second; men's three-leg race, Marlon Stanley and Harry Darnley first, John Davis and Wm. Miller second, the high jump, broad jump and putting the shot was won by Alex Duncan.

The dancing pavilion was the center of attraction both afternoon and evening and scores of dancers thronged it continually. Long before the hour when the festivities closed all the stock in the refreshment booths was exhausted and sold out and cigars were the only article obtainable.

The firemen had a busy day and a lot of hard labor preparing for the event. They are fully alive to the fact that it is no light task to provide amusement for such a crowd of people, and appreciate the patronage accorded them by the citizens of Downers Grove and neighboring towns. The net proceeds to the department will be about \$100.

FIRST TO RECOGNIZE THE FARMER.

The Chicago Record-Herald is the first great daily to recognize the American farmer. By setting aside two columns of space daily for the publication of news pertaining to agricultural industries, the Record-Herald has enabled the farmer to feel that he not only has a personal interest in the daily newspaper but that at least a part of it is published for him and his family.

The rural mail delivery system has made it possible for him to receive his paper every day just as the resident of the city receives his paper by carrier from the central office. The Record-Herald gives the farmer two columns of good reading matter of personal interest to him five mornings in the week and four columns on Saturday morning.

News published in this department called "News and views for farmers" is gathered from state bureaus, the agricultural department of the national government, the agricultural colleges and from the daily happenings throughout the country that are of interest to farmers. Information concerning stock raising, the care of the dairy, the raising of poultry and the cultivation of the soil is set forth in a reliable way.

There are expert opinions from skilled agriculturalists. Practical farming and the best way to become a successful farmer are shown. Farmers in Iowa may learn from farmers in Illinois, and their experience will teach farmers in other states how to take advantage of everything that will tend to make a farmer successful.

The government crop reports are published so they will reach the farmer as quick as they do the city man. Improvements in machinery and the best methods of minimizing the wastage on the farm are pointed out.

The department is edited by a skilled agriculturalist, who devotes all his time to preparing the news so it will go forth bright and readable.

With the exception of Sunday the column will be found in the Record-Herald every day. Requests for information concerning matters of interest to the farmer will be answered promptly. Communications on all matters pertaining to agriculture are solicited and will receive attention.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, holds Sunday services on the top floor of the Oldfield building at 10:45. Subject for September 13th, "Matter." Sunday school for children at noon. This church holds regular Wednesday evening testimonial meetings at 8 p. m. in Oldfield hall. Reading room for the benefit of the public open every Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock at 102 Gilbert avenue. All are cordially invited.

Local and Personal Paragraphs

Watermelons at Gerwig's. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Additional local news on fifth page. Geo. B. Heartt transacted business at Wheaton Monday.

The east end of Maple avenue has been improved with crushed stone. Mrs. Forbes of Benton Harbor, Mich., visited in Downers Grove last week.

School opened Tuesday morning with teachers all present and a large attendance.

Harry L. Blodgett left yesterday for a trip to California and intermediate points.

A new platform has been laid between the rails at the Main street railroad crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. Amundson of Chicago visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Darnley this week.

Bert C. White returned Sunday from Rochester, Minn. His wife and family accompanied him home.

Edward Herzberg has been confined to his house with a slight attack of pneumonia the past week.

E. C. Kuenzel was here early in the week from New Bremen, Ohio, for a short visit with his family.

Miss Josephine Forbes of Benton Harbor, Mich., was here this week the guest of Miss Ethel Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush attended the wedding of Senator A. J. Hopkins' daughter in Aurora last night.

Will S. Stewart returned Saturday from Detroit where he has been supervising the construction of a railroad.

Millinery opening—Advance styles in fall and winter millinery. Second floor bank building. Miss Goodspeed.

Miss Mabelle Radell left Monday for Mt. Carroll, Ill., where she will take a course at the Frances Schimer academy.

Elmer Clithero left Friday night with a party from Chicago for northern Michigan on a camping and hunting expedition.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Fanton of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Snell of Grossdale were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hodler Sunday.

The many friends of Mrs. Elbert C. Stanley will be pleased to hear she is speedily regaining her health since her arrival at Toronto, Canada.

If you want a paint that not only looks well but wears well try Patton's Sun Proof paint. For sale by the Illinois Lumber and Construction Co.

The members of the magazine clubs who are interested in the renewals of their subscriptions will meet at the home of Mrs. J. L. Jones, 83 North Foote street on Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 2:30 o'clock to take action.

Household goods for sale—2 beds, 2 wash tubs, 2 dressers, dining table and 6 chairs, 2 upholstered rockers and various other articles to be sold cheap. Parties going away. Call at 4th and Center streets, East Grove. Adkins.

People who keep fowls should take care of them and not allow them to annoy their neighbors. There are complaints and threats of prosecution which will be enforced if necessary when proper evidence is furnished. The village ordinances are plain and strict in that regard.

The marriage of Miss Florence M. Rando, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rando formerly of Downers Grove, to Walter N. Miller is announced to take place in the Douglas club, Chicago, Wednesday, Sept. 16th. The ceremony will be performed by Dr. S. S. Wilson in the presence of 100 guests.

Another record breaking squash vine is reported, being raised by Mrs. Calla E. Bush, 125 Carpenter street. The vine measures 88 feet from the root to the end and the three largest squashes measure 19, 31 and 39 inches respectively, in circumference. This exceeds the one reported last week by John H. Shurte.

On Saturday the Methodist Sunday school and its friends are to hold their annual picnic at Fallersburg. All are requested to meet at the church Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. This picnic has been twice postponed this season on account of the rainy weather and it is hoped that nothing will prevent this coming Saturday being full of sunshine and the most successful picnic the school has ever known.

The pastor of the Methodist church returned from his vacation trip to Colorado and Salt Lake City on Saturday and occupied his pulpit as usual last Sabbath. Next Sabbath morning his text will be "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even forever." In the evening Mrs. M. M. Rocheleau of Evanston will give the annual address before the Woman's Missionary society.

National Light oil at Nash's. Cook's Flaked Rice at the Fair. Best oil in town at Curtis & Heartt's. Misses Ida and Lucy Smith are visiting in Denver.

Attorney L. W. Winchester was a Geneva visitor Monday.

Walter Clough is spending his vacation at his home at Bever Dam, Wis.

J. A. Nash of Hinckley was here Monday visiting his brother, J. W. Nash.

Fred N. Pease of Chicago spent Sunday with his mother Mrs. Josephine Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gregory are spending a week in Michigan, near Coloma.

Mrs. Banker is visiting in Ohio but expects to return the latter part of the week.

Miss Elsie Townsend of Hinsdale visited with the family of A. J. Thompson this week.

Miss Frances Willis, daughter of Mrs. Bertha Willis, is quite ill with an attack of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Jas. M. Burns and children returned last week from their two months' visit in the east.

Quite a number from Downers Grove attended the races at Riverside park at Lemont Monday afternoon.

The initial dance of the season will be given by the young people next Saturday evening at Carpenter's hall.

The parents of Mrs. L. H. Thomas are building a residence on Gilbert avenue and will become residents of Downers Grove.

The Burlington officials have at last stationed a flagman at the dangerous Maple avenue crossing. Olaf Olander is the flagman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Caldwell and daughters Laura and Irene returned Monday from a visit with friends in LaCrosse and St. Paul.

Thos. Bunning gives prompt attention to trunks or baggage and express teaming. Telephone 293, or leave orders at Curtis & Heartt's.

Orders for Pennsylvania and Standard oils and gasoline may be left at Bush & Smonson's drug store. Muzzey will promptly fill your cans. Telephone 421.

Miss Nettie Smith of Glasgow, Scotland, who has been spending a month with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stewart, leaves today for New York and will sail for home Saturday.

The Ladies' Library association will hold a reception at the library rooms Friday, Sept. 11, from two until five and from seven until nine o'clock. A sale of bakery goods, candy and popcorn will be held.

The disposition of garbage has become a serious question in Downers Grove. There is no dumping grounds where refuse can be carted. This is a matter which should receive the prompt consideration of the authorities.

At the Congregational church next Sunday morning the pastor will preach upon "The signs of the times." A sermon to the Christian Endeavor society will occupy the evening on the subject, "Rings of gold." Everybody is cordially invited.

Henry Lockwood and wife of Chicago were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. O'Neil of Oakwoods avenue Sunday. Mr. Lockwood, who is auditor of the Standard Oil company, is greatly pleased with Downers Grove and it is barely possible he may decide to locate here permanently.

Friends of Miss Josephine Forbes in Downers Grove will be interested in the announcement of her marriage which will occur at Benton Harbor, Mich., Wednesday, Sept. 23 to Mr. Carl Messmann of Beaumont, Texas. Her cousin Miss Ethel Edwards of Downers Grove will be the maid of honor.

Fire damaged one of the rooms in the residence of E. Schuitz last Friday. A lamp had been lighted to heat water and a curtain was blown across the blaze which carried the fire to the wood work. Prompt work with the garden hose saved the house from serious damage. The department was not called out.

Every business man who has had any experience recognizes the fact that before he can sell people anything he must attract them to his place of business. In order to attract them he must interest them. To interest them is the principal essential. The intelligent business man understands this. They know that they can secure the widest publicity for their most attractive offers, interest more people and secure more trade at the smallest cost through the medium of newspaper advertising than in any other way.

WANT THEIR DEBTS WIPED OUT.

Meadowcroft Brothers Want to be Relieved of Heavy Debt of Long Standing.

Relief from more than \$803,370 in debts was asked Friday by Charles J. and Frank R. Meadowcroft, formerly of Downers Grove, who filed a petition in bankruptcy. They are members of the old private banking concern of Meadowcroft Brothers, that failed in 1893, and they ask the court to relieve them of liabilities due to 500 depositors. Besides, Charles Meadowcroft scheduled \$5,547 debts on his personal accounts, and his brother an indebtedness of \$40,194. The only assets scheduled are policies for a total of \$35,000. The bank of Meadowcroft Brothers was at Dearborn and Washington streets. It suspended business June 5, 1893, following a rush of creditors at its doors. The next day Judge Ewing appointed Lyman E. Crandall receiver for the assets of the firm. These were insufficient to pay the liabilities, and hundreds of depositors received only small payments on their claims. Many Downers Grove depositors were caught in the crash.

DOWNERS GROVE PEOPLE IN WRECK.

Ben Weatherbee and Chas. Caldwell and family of Downers Grove were in the wreck of the St. Paul and Minneapolis limited on the Burlington which occurred early Friday morning a half mile east of Chana, near Oregon, Ill. Mr. Weatherbee is head brakeman on this train while the Caldwell family were enroute to Minneapolis for a visit. Spreading rails are supposed to have caused the accident. The fireman was thrown from the engine and instantly killed. The passengers received a severe shaking up and were badly scared but none of them were seriously injured. Mr. Weatherbee was standing in the baggage car when the wreck occurred. He was thrown ten feet against a pile of trunks but was uninjured. The car the Caldwell family were in was tipped over and the passengers climbed out of the wreckage through the windows.

HEARING IN SPECIAL ASSESSMENT CASE.

The special assessment proceedings of the village of Downers Grove in the Main street paving matter for the confirmation of the assessment were heard in the county court before Judge Ruth at Wheaton Monday. No objections to the improvement were filed. Attorney Lucius W. Winchester represented the village and presented the assessment roll for confirmation. Judge Ruth held the matter open three days as required by law and no opposition being made will enter an order for the confirmation of the assessment Saturday. The village will take immediate steps to rush the improvement. Bids for the work will be advertised for immediately and at the earliest possible moment the contract will be let so that the pavement may be completed before cold weather.

FALL TERM OPENED TUESDAY.

The fall term of the Metropolitan business college of Chicago opened last Tuesday morning. It is not, however, too late to take up the work in this college. Students are received at any time and the student's term dates from his enrollment. If you could not get started at the opening of the term do not give up the idea of attending. You should fully inform yourself at once as to the necessary steps and arrange to begin a course as soon as possible. Profit by the example of men who are plodding along with no ambition and do not fail to improve the opportunity to prepare for a successful business career. Address Metropolitan business college, New Powers building, Chicago.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Having returned from my visit to the old country, I desire to thank my friends and patrons for their past favors and also to inform them that I am ready to answer all calls in my line and hope that my past services will entitle me to a continuation of their patronage. Very respectfully, W. C. Barile. Samples of wall paper and picture moulding, paper hanging and painting; widow shades to order. Carpenter repairing and general jobbing. Work guaranteed satisfactory. Post office box 295. Residence 173 South Washington street, Downers Grove, Ill.

BOLD AND SUCCESSFUL FISHERMEN.

We take back all our previous expressions of skepticism as to F. A. Dawas and Fred Lempke's marvelous fish stories. They returned the fore part of the week from northern Wisconsin as the boys say, "with the goods," and generously distributed among friends and neighbors a liberal supply of muskallonge, black bass and pike, fresh from the pellucid waters of the beautiful lakes of that wild region. They have an exhibition at Marshall's market a 21 pounder, fat and solid with a mouth big enough to swallow a small John. Go again boys.

Routine Business Done

Board of Trustees Holds September Session Tuesday Evening.

Orders Cleaning and Painting of Waterworks Standpipes—Audit Reports and Payment of Claims Presented.

Aside from ordering the water committee to let the contract for painting and cleaning the waterworks standpipe little business other than routine work was transacted by the village board Monday night.

J. W. Hughes, the newly elected trustee, was sworn in and took his seat, and was assigned to the chairmanship of the water and light committee and member of the ordinance and license committees.

Village Treasurer Boggs reported the following items in his report. Balance at last report \$249.00, receipts \$1872.75, expenditures \$2095.05, present balance \$326.71.

Collector Nash reported having collected \$907.49 for the month of August as follows: Electric lights \$144.30, material and labor \$63.45, meter rent \$37.00, dog tax \$16.00, third installment special assessment No. 6, \$21.00, interest \$3.00.

Claim ordinance No. 103 providing for the payment of claims and salaries aggregating \$1948.75 from the following funds: General \$945.98, street and alley \$498.69, water and light \$504.08, fire \$3.00.

A communication from F. D. Lindsay asking permission to tap Highland avenue water mains and to lay pipe for water service to his property on Warren avenue was referred to water committee to grant same upon his signing usual agreement not to oppose extension of water mains.

The matter of painting and cleaning the water stand pipe was discussed and the board ordered the work done immediately and referred letting the contract for the same to the water and light committee with power to act.

The ordinance committee was instructed to prepare an amendment to the ordinance forbidding the carrying of concealed weapons, providing that in proper cases the president might issue permits to citizens to carry arms.

The bond of Policeman Hoffert in the sum of \$1,000 with Louis Klein and A. J. Thompson as sureties was read and approved.

The board voted to pay H. H. Weferheim \$16 being one-half of steam-grapher's fee paid by him in the case of the village against Jake Kline and Frank Prentiss, for recording the testimony of witnesses.

CASS ITEMS.

William Reader and Miss Addie Bush spent Thursday with Wm. Reader's family. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wilson and son, Mr. and Mrs. E. Werner of Chicago, John Lipate and Miss Nanda Hines of Downers Grove spent Sunday at Wm. Reader's. John Stayer is doing carpenter work on the school house at Cass Center. Elbridge Andrus is laying a large number of drain tiles on his farm this week. Postal telegraph linesmen are putting additional wires on their telephone poles for long distance service. Jas. Chivers and John Riddler of Downers Grove passed through Cass on their way to Lemont Labor day. S. B. Caldwell of the Soldier's Home at Danville is visiting friends in Cass this week. Mrs. F. L. Heartt, daughter Lulu and son Hollis of Monticello, Ind., returned to their home yesterday. Albert Schlabach has some of the finest corn in Cass. Henry Welch added some fine cows to his dairy this week. Henry Leibnuth has two teams hauling gravel on his contract near A. C. Drew's farm. Some farmers are turning their stock in their corn fields on account of the recent hail storm. Chester Heartt returned from Wisconsin Saturday where he was looking for land. We understand he purchased a farm near Grand Rapids, Wis. Threshing is all completed in Cass. Elbridge Andrus had the final job. Many Cass people attended the annual convention of the Western district of the Epworth league Labor day. Among those attending were Rev. Parker, Will Andrus, J. H. Littleford, Miss George Loney, Nellie Grace, Ada, Clara, Edith and Horace Smart.

OUTLINE SCHOOL WORK FOR YEAR.

Supt. Searies and the president of the board met with the teachers Monday afternoon and the superintendent outlined the work for the year just commencing. County Superintendent Morgan was also present by invitation and with the president of the board made brief addresses to the teachers along the line of their work. The teachers start in with an interest and enthusiasm which means a successful year in the educational line in Downers Grove.