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If you are suffering from some nervous disease or run down from overwork, try Osteopathy. Osteopathy cures where all other methods fail. It is nature's way of curing disease by manual manipulation. It is nature's tonic and produces permanent results. Send for literature on the subject.

185 East Maple Avenue,  
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### WHAT THE MERCHANTS ARE OFFERING.

Suits to order. J. W. Nash.  
Shenandoah pants \$2.00, at Nash's.  
Entire wheat and pumper-nickel at Rang's.  
Genuine Jersey sweet potatoes at Gerwig's.  
Quick-meal gasoline stoves at Mertz & Mochel's.  
White lead, dry colors, oil and varnish at the Fair.  
A new line of neckwear, the latest designs at Nash's.  
A full line of Devoo's ready mixed paints at the Fair.

Nabisco, Festino and cocoanut macaroons at Gerwig's.

Fresh California figs in one pound packages, 10 cents, at Gerwig's

Fresh beef by the quarter during cold weather at Klein's market.

The Downers Grove Fair closes every evening except Saturday at 8 o'clock.

Pickles, all kinds, at Gerwig's. Genuine German dill, sweet, sour and bottled goods.

Great reduction in millinery, closing out the winter season. Miss Goodspeed, bank building.

New styles and patterns in the Red-line shirts, the best shirt in the world for \$1.00 at Nash's.

Subscriptions for the REPORTER may be left with D. G. Graham who will also accept and receipt for arrears and renewals.

For disinfecting sewer pipes, sinks, bleaching and various household purposes use chloride of lime. Put up in cans at Gerwig's.

Thos. Bunning gives prompt attention to trunks or baggage and express teaming. Telephone 299, or leave orders at Curtis & Heartt's.

Best of all Flour made from the very best northern grown hard spring wheat makes more bread and better bread than any flour in this market.

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.

Galvanized wire, poultry, lawn and field fence, all sizes. Don't fail to call and let us quote you prices before placing your spring orders. Mertz & Mochel.

If you are looking for something to lighten the hard work incident to wash-day, try Maple City Self-washing soap, and it will be a welcome visitor to your home ever afterwards.

Maple City Self-washing soap contains no rosin, wood fibre, or other adulterations so common to laundry soaps. Those who follow instructions escape all useless drudgery at the wash-board.

It may interest you to know that the Illinois Lumber and Construction Co. has taken the Downers Grove agency for all kinds of building and crushed stone, and will keep a supply on hand for prompt delivery.

Now is the time to fix up and beautify your place by putting on the carriage drives and paths and under the open porches a good top dressing of crushed stone. For sale by the Illinois Lumber and Construction Co.

### A "TOUCHING" MATTER.

This is the season of the year when a large number of subscription accounts fall due. We dislike to mention the matter but it would afford us particular pleasure just now to affix our name to a receipt showing all arrears paid by any of those indebted to us. If you are one of the fortunate ones referred to don't let any feeling of modesty deter you from calling at headquarters.

## Good Pills

Ayer's Pills are good pills. You know that. The best family laxative you can buy.

Want your mistakes or heard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use Buckingham's Dye

### TO BUILD UP A TOWN

Citizens Must Pull Together and Subscribe Liberally.

To boom and build up a town and keep its advantages before the outside world requires not only the "pulling together" of every public spirited citizen, but also money. For the good of the community citizens must sink their individual feelings, loosen their purse strings and subscribe liberally and freely. As an instance of what can be accomplished by the concerted action of the people of a community take the case of Atlanta, Ga. The city of Atlanta has been the wonder of the age in growth. Why? Because every newspaper in that city, every man, woman and child works continually for Atlanta. The papers and the people stand shoulder to shoulder for the town.

There are often, however, an apathy and stagnation among dwellers in towns which offer an insuperable obstacle to progress. That the fathers did certain things in a certain way is accounted reason enough for always doing them that way. Things which the fathers got on without it is reasoned their children can have no use for. Measures of improvement accordingly are resisted with an obstinacy which is deaf to argument. The immediate dollar outweighs the prospective advantage.

In most towns there is much that might be done in the beautifying of streets and the planting of trees and in similar ways at almost no expense, but by a simple concert of action. Frequently, however, it is impossible to persuade those concerned that beauty and utility are sisters and that the things which are urged on aesthetic grounds have a value also in dollars and cents.

### ILLINOIS AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Illinois world's fair commissioners have just held a meeting and gone over the whole ground relating to the preparations for the Illinois exhibits at the great fair of this year. They found that good progress has been made but that much remains to be done. The state's building 85 per cent completed, but has lately been delayed by strikes of the plasterers who have been demanding \$7 per day for work on the job.

Senator Shumway, chairman of the committee on building and grounds, made an extended report, and assured the commissioners that no state will have so attractive a building as that of Illinois, when it is completed. He was authorized to let the contract for decoration and to proceed with the improvement of the grounds.

The chairman of the commission, Senator Danlap, informed the commission that the expenditures made and in sight, seemed to justify the statement that the building would be made ready for furnishing at a cost of less than \$75,000, which is about \$65,000 less than the original bids contemplated.

Commissioner Mahoney reported that his committee is making good progress toward the arrangements for a showing of the work of the Illinois state institutions, especially the reformatory at Pontiac, and the institutions for the deaf and dumb and the blind at Jacksonville. Commissioners Craig on agriculture, Danlap on horticulture, Funk on live stock and Warder on mines and minerals all reported good progress. The greatest difficulty met by some of them is found in arranging the method of installation so as to conform to the commissioner's idea of economy and the fair managers idea of glitter and display. Mr. Warder was authorized to arrange for a place to receive and store the material for the mines and minerals display until it is ready to be installed.

The commissioners will hold another meeting in February, when it is believed they will be able to see practically to the end of the big job they have in hand.

### STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Sealed proposals will be received by the board of local improvements of the village of Downers Grove, Ill., until 7:30 o'clock p. m. January 29th, 1904, at which time said proposals will be opened for grading, curbing and paving a portion of Main street, in said village, requiring approximately 2,710 linear feet of combined concrete curb and gutter and 6,414 square yards of brick pavement on macadam foundation. Plans and specifications may be seen and blank proposals obtained at the office of Chas. Mochel, Downers Grove, or at room 1715, Marquette building, Chicago. Payment for above work will be made by special assessment bonds bearing 5 per cent interest. Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check for not less than 10 per cent of the total amount of the proposal and be made payable to Chas. Mochel. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. W. S. Shields, Engineer; Chas. Mochel, President; J. W. Graves, Secretary; G. B. Heartt, board of local improvements.

### A VERY CLOSE CALL.

"I stuck to my engine, although my joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up, I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by all druggists. Price, 50 cents.

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## Genuine New York Buck-Wheat Flour.

Because ours is fresh. You cannot have good pancakes from old Buckwheat flour. It must be fresh. Ours is genuine New York Buckwheat. In no other state do they grind buckwheat equal to that of New York. Do not take a substitute. Let us sell you your buckwheat. Try us for a 10 lb sack. You will be pleased.

## Just Received a New Lot of CALIFORNIA NUTS.

Perfectly fresh; this year's crop. All kinds—English Walnuts, Almonds, Filberts, Pecans and Brazils. You can have them mixed to suit. Better try a few and learn how delicious really fresh nuts are. Rich, crisp and meaty.

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## ..Fred Gerwig..

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### Alpha New Eng. Salad Cream

Contains no oil; worth 25 cents; at per bottle, 19 cents

### Telmo Brand Catsup

Highest grade goods, 2 bottles for 25 cents.

### Club House Salad Dressing

19 cents per bottle.

### Uncle Hiram's Pure Vinegar

Pure Apple Cider goods; 13 cts quart bottle.

### Crosse & Blackwell Vinegar

Pure Malt Vinegar, imported; 20 cents per quart bottle.

### Telmo Pure Boiled Cider

25 cents per bottle.

### My Wife's Salad Dressing

Good dressing worth 25 cts; per bottle 19 cts.

### Apples in Gallon Cans

19 cents per can.

### Special—Swift's Corned

Best ramp pieces packed in 25 lb bags for family use.