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An Apology to Our Readers

This issue might have been better, and it might have been worse. We have simply done the best we could under difficulties. Some kind hearted gentleman sent some ready-set matter explaining the way Colonel Lowden's friends had stood by him so nobly down at Springfield. We concluded it would not do the Colonel any harm to publish this matter and it would help us with this issue. Therefore we used it.

Weather and Crops

The average temperature for the week ending June 15th, was about normal but the daily range was great, and low night temperatures retarded the growth of vegetation to some extent.

With the exception of a few light showers, principally in the southern half of the state, the week was practically rainless. In the northern district and portions of the central, the ground is getting dry, and crops are beginning to suffer from lack of moisture.

The growth of corn was not rapid, owing to cool nights, but its condition is generally satisfactory. Cultivation continued uninterruptedly throughout the week. Replanting is still in progress in a few localities. Some planting remains to be done in low, wet fields.

Oats made good growth, and the condition of the crop, with few exceptions, shows decided improvement. Rye is heading out well and a good crop is expected.

The outlook for wheat has steadily improved; it is in full head in the southern district, and reports from that section now indicate nearly an average yield. There have been but few complaints of injury by Hessian fly.

Meadows and pastures are in excellent condition and have made rapid growth. Clover is about ready to cut and promised a heavy yield. Field peas are being planted in the southern portion. Gardens and potatoes are promising.

An unusually large crop of strawberries of excellent quality is being marketed. Raspberries and blackberries, from present indications, will make much larger crops than usual. Reports show a continued deterioration in the condition of apples, and in some few localities the trees are already bare of fruit.

Wayne, Du Page—All crops need rain corn and potatoes poor stand; cherry crop short; potato bugs numerous. G. W. Pickering.

Publishers' Announcement

In assuming charge of the publication of this paper we ask the kind indulgence of our readers for any errors we may have fallen into with this issue and assure them that time and experience will work improvement.

It will be the aim of the new publishers to make the REPORTER a model paper, furnish its readers all the local news and present it to them in a readable manner.

We believe that the first duty of a paper is to its readers and that all they desire is a truthful presentation of the facts. We shall, therefore, endeavor to keep clear of entanglements and serve the people faithfully and well.

The citizens will find the new publishers ever ready to assist them in efforts towards local improvement. Downers Grove has a bright future before it and the progressive spirit of the people should be kept active.

The Kelmscott Press has installed a complete, modern job printing plant and trusts that the establishment may grow and prosper and be a benefit to the community.

Mr. Hugh White, our predecessor, who has spent many years in your midst, is an able newspaper man and will, no doubt, win success in his new field. He has our best wishes.

The former publication office is now closed and the plant will shortly be removed from this locality.

Another Frightful Calamity

The disaster which occurred in New York harbor on Wednesday, June 15, adds another chapter to the list of calamities that have afflicted our people recently.

Coming so close upon the memory of the Iroquois theatre horror, makes the recital of the General Slocum disaster all the more terrible.

Like the Iroquois fire it has brought death and suffering into many families and destroyed many happy homes.

While the paper is owned by the publishers, it is dependent upon the good will of the community for support and in order to retain this good will must be worthy of it.

The new publishers will endeavor to so conduct the REPORTER that every citizen will take pride in it and be glad to be a subscriber for it.

Will you subscribe right now if you are not already a subscriber?

That is one of the ways in which you can help to make the paper more valuable to the community.

The Furniture Factory

Contracts for mason work and carpentering on Downers Grove's new chair factory building were let Wednesday, aggregating \$5,600.

Peter Johnson got the carpenter contract and Henry Wolfersheim the mason work.

Complete data regarding the building, location, office, stock, etc., will appear in our issue of next week.

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Drowned While Swimming

Saturday afternoon Alois Schmidt, age 15, went to the east branch of the Du Page river with Gerald Roberts to fish. Later they went in wading and swimming though the Schmidt boy could not swim and he was drowned. He had stepped into a spring just below the bridge on the Naperville road, and the water being so cold, young Roberts, who grasped him by the wrist and foot, lost his hold and he went down.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, followed by burial beside his mother in the Naperville cemetery.

He was the only son of Quirin Schmidt, the livery man on Grove avenue.

The Library Project

The chairman of the Village Improvement committee, Mrs. E. J. Miller, has recently received the second communication from Andrew Carnegie in regard to library buildings.

It is sincerely hoped that every resident will feel a personal interest in securing a building that will be a credit to our village. Any suggestions or advice in regard to securing the cemetery site for such building will be gratefully received.

Gas Is Progressing

A gang of men is to arrive Monday to commence laying gas mains, which will supply our neighborhoods with gas with light and fuel. A load of piping came and was unloaded here Thursday. The company's office will be erected on property purchased on South Main street.

K. of P. Elects Officers

Maple Grove lodge, No. 623, K. of P., held an enthusiastic meeting at their hall Wednesday evening and elected officers for the ensuing term. The complete roster in charge of the business of the lodge for the balance of the year will be given in these columns after the installation ceremonies next meeting.

New Rural Route

As we go to press a new rural free delivery route is being inspected which will take in some twenty-five miles to the north east and a district south east of the village. Details in next issue.

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