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Downers Grove

is located on the suburban division of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway, twenty-one miles from Chicago. Twenty-nine suburban trains are operated each way daily, furnishing excellent transportation for those having their business in the city and home in Downers Grove. It is a healthful and beautiful place, possesses every modern convenience and is an ideal location for a suburban residence. The streets are wide and clean, with an abundance of beautiful shade trees everywhere, making it just what its name implies—a grove. Two grammar schools and one high school afford splendid opportunities for education, and all the leading religious denominations maintain places of worship. Downers Grove operates its own electric light plant and water works, and gas is now being installed.

The population of Downers Grove is composed of sturdy American people who conduct the affairs of the municipality in a truly democratic manner, ably and conservatively, and render to the tax payer value for every dollar of taxes paid.

Beautifully situated building lots may now be purchased at reasonable prices, and those who contemplate building homes should visit Downers Grove before investing. The Reporter will be pleased to answer any correspondence from those interested.



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Gossip of the Town

Today—7 a. m., 80°; 12 M. 92°. Too much hot air.

Mr. G. P. Jack of Chicago was a caller here Tuesday.

G. H. Cooney, optician, is in town at Mr. I. P. Blodgett's.

Mrs. Armstrong is visiting at her former home in Missouri.

Mrs. Lew F. Edwards is at Tinley Park for a couple weeks.

Gas mains were laid in North Main street the first of the week.

Mrs. D. G. Graham went to Plano for a few weeks visit Wednesday.

Mr. Haller has engaged Miss Cora Reader of Cass as clerk in the Fair.

A sister of Mrs. Winchell of Orchard visited her on Tuesday of this week.

Mr. J. A. Skarin of Lamont was a visitor in Downers Grove last Saturday.

Miss Blanche Bennett of Coal City, Illinois, is visiting Miss Taden for a few days.

James O'Meara and family now occupy the Perrine place on West Franklin street.

Mrs. John S. Rood and daughter of Minneapolis are visiting at the M. E. parsonage.

Landlord Miller has enclosed his hotel property in a fine new galvanized wire fence.

The pastor of the Methodist church will preach Sabbath evening on "An Old Love Story."

Mr. and Mrs. Huntington expect to occupy their new home on North Main street after July 1st.

Mr. A. E. Olson, express messenger at this station, left Thursday for a few days visit at Wahoo, Neb.

A gentleman desires pleasant room and good board in private family. Address Reporter office.

Miss Nicholson, a former teacher here, now of Wheaton, made a pleasant call in our village Tuesday.

Mr. Frank and Miss Grace Wiley, of Sheridan Park, were the guests of Miss Jennie Smart last Sunday.

Mrs. Fritz and daughter of Chicago are visiting Mrs. Frank Ritch at Belmont. The ladies are sisters.

Mrs. Perrine left Monday for her new home in Ohio where her husband is engaged in the mercantile business.

Mr. H. H. Rood and son have returned from Colorado and California where they have been visiting for the past four months.

Miss Isabelle Bliss departed Thursday evening for her home in Albion, Michigan, after spending several pleasant months in our village.

The Kelmscott Press has a position for a good job compositor, or a young man of some experience who is ambitious. Apply at once.

A baby girl arrived at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vicks on the north side Tuesday night. It registered 9½ plump and hearty pounds.

Adolph Baker is driving the Adams express wagon and handling the baggage here. He succeeds Mr. Lukens who has launched in the milk business.

Mrs. A. G. Prince of Iowa City is here visiting. They are well pleased with their new home in Iowa but do not get their many friends in Downers Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Whitney and children of Colorado Springs are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George R. Smith. Mr. Whitney owns one of the finest book stores in Colorado.

Mrs. Edward Lemon entertained a party of friends from Ravenswood and Sheridan Park with a lawn picnic Wednesday at her home, Lemon Lodge, on Highland avenue.

On Saturday last Miss Paulina Huck and brother Louis, cousins of Marshall Field, Jr., and Miss Ellen, spent a very pleasant day with Walter Scott Bryan and his niece, Miss Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Shindler of Pennsylvania are visiting Mrs. S. C. Shindler and Harry Snyder here. Mr. Shindler is a brother of the late F. C. Shindler, so long a resident in this vicinity.

Mr. T. E. Brooks, who has been in the milk business here for the past three years, has sold his route and seven cows to Wm. T. Lukens. We understand Mr. Brooks will go up north to reside.

D. H. Ulhorn has his fine, new store in shape for business and will carry the best of milk and cream, skimmed milk, cottage cheese and buttermilk. Leave your orders by telephone or otherwise.

Mr. Henry Dibbler, brother-in-law of Marshall Field, spent Thursday of last week with Walter Scott Bryan looking over the estate and surrounding country. Many alterations are to be made in the several buildings this fall.

The subject for the sermon of June 26 at the First Church of Christ Scientist at Downers Grove is "God." Text: "Great is the Lord, and Greatly to be Praised in the City of Our God, in the Mountain of His Holiness."—Psalm 48:1.

Mr. M. E. Stanger claims to have the best corn in the county. It is already in tassel and was planted the first week in May. He also has potato vines in blossom. Seeing is believing and the writer had a birdseye view of the field Monday evening.

A drive through the eastern portion of our town shows that the people of that section have caught the spirit of the improved conditions in the village and many of the houses have been freshly painted and enlarged. The yards and the gardens are blooming with flowers, plants and vegetation.

A party from our village, composed of Rev. J. D. Smith, Rev. H. H. Rood and daughter and Miss Herring attended the meeting of the preachers' association at Des Plaines camp ground Monday of last week. About a thousand people were present. The election of officers for the coming year took place. The Methodist camp meeting opens the last of July.

The first questions asked by an enumerator are for the number of persons over 21 years old and their sex. Then records are made of persons of other ages under this classification: from 15 to 21, 6 to 15, 6 and under 4 years old. Other information sought is nativity of parents; schooling of children, if any; the number of deaf, dumb or blind and number of crippled persons under the age of 21.

The adjourned meeting of the village board, at which all members were present except the clerk last Monday evening, did not result in the transaction of any business of importance. The sewer ordinances—which were to be the special order of the session—were not ready for presentation.

Next Tuesday evening, at the M. E. church there will be a carnation social—an affair unlike some of the dry and juiceless "church socials" where people come and stand around, first on one foot and then on the other while and then wend their weary way home, feeling that they have once more discharged a disagreeable duty.

The hosts of this occasion will be the members of the Epworth League, who extend to all the members and friends of the church a most cordial invitation.

The special guests of the evening will be those who have been received into the church during the four years the present pastor has had charge. Each of these guests will, upon entering the church next Tuesday evening, be presented with a carnation, which they will wear during the evening.

The special program for the evening, aside from greetings and social converse, will be furnished by Rev. T. R. Green, former pastor of the Methodist church here, and a group of members from his present church at West Pullman, Ill. A part of the program will consist of plantation melodies, accompanied by the guitar; solos and readings.

The social department of the Epworth League will furnish ice cream and cake free to all. The latch string is out and all are welcome.

Sportsmen may fish or hunt at their will on all overflow lands in Illinois, if the appellate court sustains the lower court in the case argued at Springfield, Saturday. The decision is considered a great victory to persons outside of clubs and other organizations maintaining reserves.

All hunting reserves will be put out of business by the decision. Hunters, if they abide by other provisions of the game law, may hunt in the reserves, whether they are members of organizations controlling them or not. The court holds that such privileges cannot be restricted to members of any organization.

CASS COMMENT

Mrs. Effie Martyn and children of Oakland, Cal., are visiting her father Mr. Geo. Littleford.

Fred Wehrmeister, John Schults, Myron and Elmer Oldfield left Monday noon for Bolliver, Mo., to purchase farms.

Miss Cora Reader is now clerking in the Fair store at Downers Grove.

James Perill, brother of our preacher, spent Sunday in Cass.

The Cass Epworth League gave a supper at Mr. J. F. Smart's Saturday evening.

Cass will celebrate the Fourth this year. There will be a basket picnic in Smart's woods, opposite M. D. Madden's residence, with fireworks in the evening. Everybody is welcome.

Miss Forsender of the south side of the "Platiron" spent this week with Miss Selma Oldfield.

Charles Hogreaves, owner of the Barber corner creamery, spent last Sunday in Cass.

Thirty school mates of Miss Cora Oldfield tendered her a birthday party last Saturday.

Clinton Cheese is giving the team sheds of the Cass Church a coat of paint.

Elmer Hawkins of Lamont called on Charles Oldfield last Saturday.

Poultry Show Next Winter

At the regular monthly meeting of the Downers Grove Poultry Club held last Friday evening in the village hall, it was unanimously decided to hold the poultry show here next winter. The date is not definitely set, but will be for three days about the middle of December. The judge has not yet been engaged. Mr. F. A. Root is president of the club and Mr. E. J. W. Deitz, corresponding secretary. The membership is increasing rapidly and considerable financial support has been promised.

Weather and Crops

The general summary for the week ending June 20th, is as follows:

Showery conditions obtained over a greater portion of the state on the 15th and the latter part of the week, but many localities are needing rain, especially in the northern section. The distribution of rainfall in the southern half of the state was more general and equable. The daily mean temperature averaged about four degrees below normal. The general characteristic was warm days and cool nights—the nights being too cool for rapid growth. The weather has been favorable for farming operations, and much progress was made, except in a few localities of the southern section where the soil is still sodden.

The weather has been very favorable for cleaning corn and the fields are generally in good condition. While the crop has not made rapid growth, it is in a thrifty and satisfactory stage. Most of the fields have been plowed over once and many have been cross plowed; some have been plowed a third time.

Oats have deteriorated some during the week from lack of moisture and warmth. The plant is generally short, not having attained reasonable growth and the color shows the effects of insufficient moisture. Many fields are heading out, but very low.

Wheat is doing well in the central, and is nearly ripe in the southern district. In the latter section much of the crop will be ready for harvest during the ensuing week. The heads are well filled and the outlook is generally favorable.

The harvesting of clover is in active operation in the southern district, and will be soon under way in the other districts. While some fields are giving an average output, the general yield is light. Grasses in the northern portion need rain.

Blackberries, raspberries and grapes are promising, but would be improved by moisture. In portions of the northern section, strawberries have been seriously damaged on account of dry weather. Apples and pears continue to drop, and the general outlook for apples is very discouraging.

Potatoes are being marketed in the southern portion of the state. Gardens are promising and yielding well.

DeKalb, Sycamore—Corn in fine condition; pastures fair; gardens good; oats doing well, but need rain; weather very dry and unless showers come soon the strawberry crop will be reduced one-half.—Edna J. Davis.

McHenry, Hebron—Weather fine for work; rain on 15th benefited vegetation, but more is needed for pastures, meadows, and small grain; late planting of corn, and millet will not come up without rain; alfalfa being cut and is good crop, but scraggy very small; corn looks well; some fields weedy; strawberries plentiful and ripening.—E. H. Spencer.

UNDER CRUEL WHEELS

Aurora Man Falls from a Freight Train at East Grove—Doctors Accused of Negligence

NOW IN AN AURORA HOSPITAL

An iron moulder named Hildebrand was run over at East Grove, between the station and Maple avenue crossing, about 2 a. m., Saturday, and his left leg was mashed at the ankle. He was brought to Downers Grove Undertaker Davis and physicians dressed the wound and he was sent to Aurora at eight o'clock Saturday morning. His father is J. H. Hildebrand of that city. It is thought that the injured man fell from a freight train on which he had been riding.

A message from this office to the St. Charles Hospital at Aurora Wednesday noon brought the good news from one of the Sisters in charge that Charles Hildebrand was improving; the leg was amputated just above the ankle and he would probably be able to leave the hospital in four or five weeks. The Sister stated further that no unfavorable reports had been received regarding his treatment here. He lived at 603 Thelma street, Aurora.

During the week considerable discussion has taken place and varied sentiment expressed as the result of articles which have appeared in Chicago and Aurora papers charging our physicians with negligence. There is considerable difference of opinion as to the treatment Mr. Hildebrand received, both before and after he was taken to the village hall by Mr. Fredenhagen and neighbors who heard and answered his cries.

At the village hall here he was attended by Officer Hoffer, Messrs. Ahrens, Mochel, Fredenhagen, Leech and Davis before the arrival of Dr. Gourley. The twist clamp they applied to the injured man's thigh was temporarily effective but once or twice Hildebrand loosened the tension screw because the pressure was unbearable and blood spurted out of the lacerated artery. Several times were the pools of blood mopped up and the coverings of the table changed.

Every doctor in the village was sent or telephoned for, but their absence or inability to properly handle the case caused the injured man to weaken from loss of blood until near five o'clock.

Under ordinary circumstances the flow of blood from a severed or lacerated artery can be effectively checked without calling a physician, by the simple application of a twist cord drawn tightly around the injured member at some point or points between the wound and the larger arteries or heart. This should be the very first thought and action in all cases. Little use would there be in bundling an injured man into an ambulance and hurrying him miles over rough roads or pavements to the nearest hospital, only to find their precious burden a corpse—having succumbed from loss of blood.

The Reporter believes that its readers can best arrive at the correct decision themselves after a careful study of the complete summary of facts in the case, and we have endeavored to get all the particulars, including the signed statements of the physicians and present them in this article.

"Victor Fredenhagen called at my residence about 3 a. m., Saturday and requested my attention to the man's injuries and wished my immediate services. I suggested that they communicate with Township Supervisor Blodgett relative to the care of the case. During their absence I received an urgent call from a patient about three miles out, and in view of the fact that there are several other physicians in the village, I departed immediately. Upon my return to the village at about six o'clock other physicians had attended the wounded man." (Signed) W. A. TORR.

"The injured man was not brought to my place at all; I was called several times by telephone and went to the village hall as soon as I returned. I assisted in checking hemorrhage and fixed the man up temporarily for removal to Aurora." (Signed) W. W. GOURLAY, M. D.

Increase of Stock

The capital stock of the Standard, Illinois, Manufacturing company has been increased to \$800,000—just double its former capitalization. This action took place the 15th, following a special meeting of its stockholders.

New Rural Route

The inspector's report of the proposed rural route No. 2 has been forwarded to Washington. Upon its return details will be published. Those applicants who took the examination for routes at Wheaton early this week—Messrs. Hughes, Clark and Bell—were notified of their selection.