

Local Happenings

William Straube started for Mexico early in the week. L. Klein and wife attended a picnic at Bensenville last Saturday. Mail clerk Lock Goss, of Riverside, gave us a call on Tuesday morning. Young lady wants room and board in private family. Address, Box 506. James Wilson is spending a few days with relatives at Hartford, Indiana. U. G. Elliott and wife, of Chicago, were guests last week at B. C. White's. Some extensive repair work is in operation at the greenhouses of Gollan & Wolf. Supervisors Blodgett and Cramer attended a meeting of the board at Wheaton on Monday. Miss Lillian Dawes left on Tuesday to attend Ripon college, near Milwaukee, Wisconsin. W. S. Carpenter and D. G. Graham attended probate court in Cook county, as witnesses, on Wednesday. Mrs. Clifton, of Morgan Park, and two children, spent a few days the first of the week with relatives in town. Mrs. Charles Manchester, of Findlay, Ohio, spent a few days with her brother, L. H. Thomas, and family this week. For Rent - Four-room house, newly papered and repaired, with large yard. Mrs. Potter. Frank M. Root, a cattleman of Pierre, South Dakota, spent part of this week in town with his brother, Reverend H. H. Root. Miss Grace Kirkpatrick and her brother, Frank, of Bloomington, were guests of L. B. Parker and wife the past few days. For Sale - At a sacrifice, one sheet iron heating stove and one three-burner, blue flame oil stove, in O. K. condition. - H. G. Hoeller, 32 Foote street. Miss Louise Hartman, of Saint Louis, and Miss Irene Cloyes, of Chicago, are the guests of Miss Agnes Stewart. Miss Hartman will remain here for some time. Bert Hoeller and wife, who have been residents of this village for several years, will remove to their new home at Hammond, Indiana, on Tuesday, September 20. A new house will be erected in Oakwoods avenue by J. W. Morgan, on the lot recently purchased by R. J. Holmes, of Chicago, one of the post-office inspectors. It will cost about \$2500. R. S. Paine and wife, of Nashua, Florida, and Dr. A. E. Whitman, of Orlando, Florida, have been guests at the home of Mrs. E. Root during the past week. Reverend Margaret Elliott, of East Grove, is attending the conference of the United Brethren this week. She will take up the work on the building of a church at East Grove on her return. It is apparent that the Burlington officials do not intend to make a start towards a new depot at Fifth avenue this year. La Grange News. No; they will be busy building the Downers Grove depot before they think of a second one for La Grange. The item published in a West Chicago paper about the removal of the Straube Piano company, of this place, during September, is erroneous. In an interview with the officials of the company a representative of this paper was told that the company will not likely move till the last of next month. The marriage of Miss Mary Crawley, formerly of Downers Grove, and Otis V. Henson, a prominent young business man of La Grange, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, at La Grange, September 10. Miss Crawley's many friends here wish to extend their congratulations and best wishes. Mrs. A. J. Dent is entertaining her sister and husband, Thomas Yould and wife, of Saint Paul, Minnesota. Mrs. Yould is associate grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star of the State of Minnesota, while Mr. Yould is past master of Shekinah Lodge A. F. and A. M., 171, of Saint Paul. The Downers Grove township convention of the Du Page Sunday school association will be held on Sunday afternoon, September 18, at 2:45 o'clock, in the M. E. church at Downers Grove. A good program has been prepared. Among the speakers are Professor O. M. Searles, of Downers Grove, and Mrs. Lamereaux, of Chicago, who with others will take part in discussing various phases of Sunday school work. Music by Downers Grove's best talent. Captain H. J. Hoofstittler, of Sterling, Illinois, one of the best speakers in the state of Illinois, will speak in Downers Grove, at a union meeting of the churches, on Sunday night, September 18. Captain Hoofstittler is a platform orator of thirty years' experience. He is an old war horse of the temperance and prohibition reform. Captain Hoofstittler will speak at Hinsdale on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, September 19 and 20. These will probably be out-door meetings and everybody should be present. Attorney Slusser has had a conference with the attorneys of the C., B. and Q. about the Railroad street paving, and it is expected that all the arrangements will be completed in a few days so that this work can be proceeded with. The proposal is to reduce Railroad street, on

the west side of Main street, to forty feet, deeding the twenty-six feet to the railway company in lieu of the continuous street on the east side, forty feet of the property now claimed by the railway, and to pave the whole street with brick. This will make possible a good business thoroughfare along the street facing the railway. Mrs. J. W. Tucker has received a paper from her relatives, S. A. Coe and family, of Bryant, South Dakota, where an awful tornado recently destroyed much property, killed one and injured many. The paper contains a full account of the storm, but the many friends of S. A. Coe and family here will be pleased to learn that they escaped. Two daughters, Misses Alice and Nellie, alone were at home, but escaped unharmed, although the barns and other buildings at the family home were destroyed. The project taken up recently by the improvement committee of the woman's club, towards the building of a public library, will be deferred for the present. It seems there was some error in the vote taken last spring, and instead of an assessment of \$1300, as was supposed to be the amount, only \$133 can be levied. Possibly another vote will be asked, as, almost without exception, all are in favor of the project. There is nothing more necessary to the village than a public library of size and supplied with varied reading matter. Here young men and women can fit themselves in many ways for the great trials and undertakings of life. Those who are pushing forward the project deserve great commendation. One of the happiest social functions of the season occurred on Saturday evening of last week, when a number of friends enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Bateman and Miss Leech at the home of the former, 146 south Main street. The house was prettily decorated with an abundance of flowers and foliage, the receiving room being especially attractive in scarlet, while the dining room was a lower of pink and green. The principal feature of the evening was a musical program, the participants in which were all artists of exceptional talent. Several readings were given by Miss Klein, of Chicago, who has wide range and marked ability as a reader. Miss Priscilla White, of Boston, a vocalist of rare talent, sang with wonderful soul and interpretation. Miss Lillian Dawes, pianist, played with much feeling and ably demonstrated her artistic ability. Miss Etta Elliott, of Chicago Heights, Miss Jessie Potter, Miss M. Vernon, Miss Klein, C. Sagar and Alden White, all of Chicago, C. J. Windsor, of La Grange, Miss Priscilla White, of Boston, and Misses Brevess and Greenman, of Riverside, were among the guests.

Register Your Complaints

[This department of the paper has been set aside for readers to write out any complaints about things in general. We do not hold ourselves responsible, however, for any statements made. Name and address of writer should accompany communication, but same will not be published if so desired.]

A number of unmuzzled dogs are hanging around our premises. Owners please keep them at home or I will call up the chief of police.

R. A. WALDRUM.

Editor Reporter: Why do not our village fathers have railroad gates placed at the Washington street crossing? Are they waiting for some one to be killed at the crossing and then have gates installed? The writer has had one or two narrow escapes from the freight cars standing on the centre tracks and the passenger trains going east on the south track that cannot be seen because they are hidden by the freight cars. After the sad accident at Hinsdale, on Gardfield avenue, they had gates placed. Lives were lost before a move was made. Gates could be placed at Washington street crossing and operated from the tower at very little expense.

A. B. AUSTIN.

With the Fraternities

Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. met on Friday evening of last week in their hall in the Oldfield building.

Vesta chapter, 212, O. E. S. met on Tuesday, September 13, in the Masonic hall, Oldfield building.

Honor Camp, Royal Neighbors, met on Tuesday evening in Carpenter's hall.

Downers Grove Lodge, 750, Independent Order of Odd-fellows meet this (Saturday) evening in their hall in the Central block.

The Modern Woodmen of America met on Thursday evening of last week in Carpenter's hall.

The local tent of the Knights of the Maccabees met on Wednesday evening in Carpenter's hall.

Victory Council of the Royal League met on Tuesday evening of last week in the Workmen's hall.

Worthy Grand Matron Mrs. Mary R. Inghram paid her official visit to Vesta Chapter, No. 242, Order Eastern Star, on Tuesday evening, September 13, 1904, accompanied by Mrs. Trena Novall, grand marshal, and Mrs. Jennie Bell, grand warder. The degrees of the order were conferred on four candidates, after which the beautiful "floral work" was effectively given. Many visitors were present from Chicago, Millard Avenue, La Grange and Naperville, among whom was Mrs. Jennie Boomer, past grand matron of New Mexico.

OUR SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Interesting Items of Moment Gathered in and About the Schools

The enrollment of the school on the opening day was large. Almost every room was full, and some of the teachers had to seat pupils at tables, as there were not desks enough to supply all. In the following report the attendance is given for each teacher: Miss Agatha Sweet, 10; Miss Florence Walker, 51; Mrs. Maude Woodruff, 48; Miss Retta Latham, 40; total, north school, 179. Miss Clara Hull, 50; Miss Grace Stover, 51; Miss Carrie Reeves, 36; Miss Jennie Hahn, 51; Miss Cassa Graves, 48; G. N. Maxwell, 52; Mrs. Annie B. Webb, 44; high school, 52; total south building, 384; total enrollment, 563.

The eighth grade teacher, Miss Emily Brogan, sent in her resignation to the board of education, at its meeting on Tuesday evening, and it was accepted. Miss Brogan recently passed the Chicago examination for teachers successfully and will at once begin teaching in the Chicago schools. The board very much regretted to lose her, but did not care to stand in her way toward promotion.

Miss Mabel Messner, formerly principal of our high school, has been elected to a position in the faculty of Yankton college, South Dakota. She will have charge of the department of German and be dean of the girls' hall. The college is a Congregational school and is in one of the important educational centers of the upper northwest. Miss Messner has recently returned from a year of study and travel in Germany and western Europe, where she was fitting herself particularly for the teaching of German. A host of friends in Downers Grove wish her success in this new field.

Parents will notice on the list of books which are used in the schools Webster's Academic Dictionary. The superintendent desires most earnestly to urge that this book be purchased for each child. A dictionary is one of the first books which ought to be put in any library, and every boy and girl should early learn how to use it. The dictionary habit is valuable. Dictionaries ought to be good and trustworthy and complete enough for common use. The small dictionaries so often purchased are practically useless. Their definitions are un-satisfactory, they do not contain anywhere near the vocabulary needed for school or home use, and they can never be relied upon. Parents should not purchase them for school children if they can afford the others.

A large number of the recent graduates and students of the high school are taking courses in colleges or universities. Arthur D. Hughes entered Leland Stanford, Jr. university this fall to prepare himself for a mining engineering expert. He expects to take a four year's course. Miss Alice Nourse, one of our primary teachers of last year, will study this year in the kindergarten college formerly connected with the Armour institute, Chicago. Hibbard Greene is a senior in the University of Illinois this year, and will graduate next June. Harry Slusser is in his junior year at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Edwin Nourse is a student in Lewis institute, where he also teaches classes in English literature and in English composition. Miss Grace Huling has entered the freshman class in Lombard college, Galesburg. Miss Grace White and Miss Myrtle White are taking special courses at the Northern Indiana Normal school, Valparaiso, Indiana. Miss Mary Nourse is a senior in the university of Chicago and will graduate in June. David Holland is a student in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago.

Mrs. Annie Bigney Webb, of Maywood, Illinois, has been selected by the board of education to fill the position in the eighth grade made vacant by the resignation of Miss Emily Brogan. Mrs. Webb has taken a master's degree at King's college, Windsor, Nova Scotia, Canada. She has had a number of years' experience in high school and grade work. She is also well equipped in German and will have charge of the German classes. Mrs. Webb assumed her duties on Monday, September 12.

Miscellaneous Locals

For Rent A furnished room, good location. Inquire of D. G. Graham.

Those who received coupons for souvenir sugar shells from the Zichme Jewelry company will please call for them at Selig's millinery.

Fall opening at Selig's millinery, 25 south Main street. Children's and ladies' hats in latest styles and at reasonable prices. Call and see them before you buy.

Notice

STATE OF ILLINOIS, DE PAGE COUNTY, In the circuit court of said county. To the October term, A. D. 1904. Sarah E. Crompton vs. John D. Crompton - In Chancery. To John D. Crompton, the above named defendant: Notice is hereby given to the said John D. Crompton, defendant in the above entitled suit, that the above named complainant heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable to the first day of the term of the circuit court of said county of Du Page, to be held at the court house in the city of Wheaton, in said county, on the first Monday in October, A. D. 1904, which suit is still pending. T. M. HULL, Clerk of Circuit Court of Du Page County. Carahan, Slusser, Hawkes & Cox, Complainant's Solicitors.

Mother "My mother was troubled with consumption for many years. At last she was given up to die. Then she tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was speedily cured." D. P. Jolly, Avoca, N. Y. No matter how hard your cough or how long you have had it, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the best thing you can take. But it's risky to wait until you have consumption. Get a bottle of Cherry Pectoral at once. Three sizes: 25c., 50c., \$1.00. Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows. Aid recovery by keeping the bowels in good condition with Ayer's Pills, all vegetable, gently laxative. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK AT DOWNERS GROVE State of Illinois, Before the Commencement of Business on the Seventh day of September, 1904, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts for the State of Illinois. Pursuant to Law.

RESOURCES Loans and discounts \$127,811.74 Other loans and securities, including premiums 31,341.08 Banking house 9,900.00 Other real estate owned by the bank 80.00 Furniture and fixtures 1,675.00 Due from National Banks 5,813.51 Due from State Banks and Bankers 33,323.78 Cash on hand 1,485.00 U. S. Gold Certificates 3,800.00 U. S. Silver Certificates 607.40 U. S. Treasury Certificates 1,240.00 Nat'l Bank Currency 1,695.00 Legal Tender and Treasury Notes 1,416.00 Fractional Currency, Nickels and Cents 115.26 Total \$222,315.32

LIABILITIES Capital stock paid in \$7,000.00 Surplus fund 8,000.00 Undivided profits less expenses and taxes paid 2,729.37 Demand deposits 60,048.77 Individual Demand deposits 125,357.15 Certificates 185,565.96 Total \$222,315.32

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF DU PAGE, L. V. SIMONSON, Cashier of the Farmers and Merchants' Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. V. SIMONSON, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10th day of September, 1904. W. H. EDWARDS, Notary Public.

Good Pills Ayer's Pills are good pills. You know that. The best family laxative you can buy. Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use Buckingham's Dye. We Have Moved To 77 CLARK STREET CHICAGO Telephone Central 3920 Suits or Top Coats to Order. Choice Goods, Best Work and Lowest Price. Call and see us in our new quarters.

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Gas Company Announcement WE will be ready to furnish GAS to the Village of Downers Grove for LIGHT, HEAT and FUEL on or about September 20, 1904. Our new office on Main Street will be completed by the above date and all information relative to connections can be obtained there. Our solicitor will call upon you in a few days and take application for service which will be put in as rapidly as possible. We wish to call your attention to the use of GAS HOUSE COKE for stoves and furnaces, orders for which will be taken and delivered by the Illinois Lumber & Construction Company