

Among the Churches

A Christmas tree entertainment will be held on Saturday evening at the Congregational church. Free admission.

On Sunday the services at the First Methodist church will be specially devoted to Christmas day. The subjects will be "The Theme of the Season."

The "Mother Goose" entertainment on Thursday evening at the auditorium was a great success. The big hall was filled and the young people were enthusiastically applauded.

The Baptists have arranged to repeat their "Mother Goose" entertainment in the auditorium as their Christmas entertainment for the children. Admission will be free. The young folks of the school will be treated to presents.

A genuine old-fashioned, enjoyed-by-all Christmas-tree entertainment will be given at the German Evangelical church on Monday evening. Admission free. A good program has been provided. Begins at 7.15. All who can should attend and enjoy the treat that has been prepared for you.

At St. Andrew's Episcopal church on Christmas there will be an early celebration of the Holy Communion at 6.15 a.m. Sunday school at 2.15 p.m., evening prayer and sermon at 3 p.m. A cordial invitation extended to all. The annual service for the children will be held in the church on Christmas eve at 7.30. At 8 p.m. the annual Christmas festival will be held in the Sunday school room. Parents and friends of children are cordially invited to attend.

The Congregational people held their annual business meeting Wednesday evening. Reports from the several branches of the organization were submitted showing the work progressing in a harmonious and satisfactory line. J. W. Graves was elected trustee to succeed himself for the coming term of 3 years; D. G. Graham, deacon for 4 years; J. W. Foster, auditor; Mrs. W. N. Blodgett, clerk. The music committee will report at the meeting next Wednesday evening.

On Christmas day at the Baptist church there will be a service at 10:45 in the morning, with a Christmas sermon. The subject will be "The Significance of the name Jesus." Evening worship at 7:30. Subject of sermon "Giving Our Best." The Sunday school in regular session at 12 m. Opening consisting of selections by the little folks and this will be followed by the study of the Christmas lesson. As a part of the day for the children there will be a giving of provisions and gifts by the classes, to be used by a committee, as there may be opportunity to help others.

A special Christmas sermon will be preached by Reverend Charles Reynolds on Sunday next at the Congregational church. In the evening at five o'clock there will be a musical program as follows: Organ..... Voluntary Prayer..... Hymn..... Solo..... "The Birthday of a King"..... Heddinger Edward F. Eiler Scripture Reading and Remarks..... Pastor Anthem..... "Recessional"..... Choir Duet..... "Hark, Hark, My Soul"..... Rev. Miss Gertrude Chambers and E. F. Eiler Solo and Chorus..... "A New Heaven and a New Earth"..... E. F. Eiler and Choir Solo..... "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"..... West Miss Martha Downer Anthem..... "To Victory"..... Choir

Nearly a Conflagration

The fire boys had a call Saturday noon and made good. The scene of the fire was at the new house of Leo Singletary on Summit street. The fire caught in the basement from the furnace. The pipes became overheated and the flooring above ignited. An alarm was sent in and the brigade arrived at once. A stream of water was directed on the burning furnace and blazing flooring and soon all danger was over. The damage was settled by the insurance company at \$97. New water mains were laid on Summit street last fall and the residents thereon felt well repaid when the fire was put out with ease. A line from the nearest hydrant on Main or Washington streets might have been difficult to do the work.

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.]

One of our regular readers, a townsman, who is identified with one of the leading establishments in Chicago sends us the below printed letter. We are grateful for reference to our efforts and have noted the matter to which he refers, but had refrained from "going after" our people too radically at once. Some people think a person should be a resident for a quarter century before giving advice. We are glad to see that our efforts have the support of the liberal and up-to-date portion of our townspeople. Here is the letter referred to: Editor Reporter - I have noticed with much pleasure the constant improvement in the Reporter since you took hold of it a few months ago and it is particularly gratifying to see the way in which you are taking anything in our village which smacks in any way of foggyism. One thing, which has always been an annoyance to me, is that you have not reached yet, as far as the following: - About five months ago the pictures of the Chicago were posted in the

different show windows as he was to deliver a lecture on November twenty-first. In one instance, at least, his picture remained up until a few days ago. Pictures of the man who delivers a stereoscopic lecture at the M. E. church some time ago are still in the windows. This is true also of the posters for the poultry show and probably will be with those of the Chicago Lady Entertainers, unless you, with your usual vim, take hold of the matter and educate our business men to respect their windows and the town to an extent which will lead them to destroy all sorts of advertising matter in their respective windows as rapidly as such advertising matter has outlived its usefulness.

Death of Mrs. B. C. White

Death again visited our town this week and this time the grim monster took from our midst the wife of one of our well known citizens after an illness of a year, less but ten days, in which she had been confined to her bed. Mrs. Carrie B. White, wife of village clerk Bert C. White breathed her last on Tuesday about one o'clock. Nearly two years ago, Mrs. White first became ill, but after a summer's residence in Wisconsin and northern points she returned to town in what she thought restored health. Very soon however the dread disease, cancer, again began to make her ill, and just about a year ago she was compelled to keep her bed. Everything that a loving daughter, husband, relatives many friends and the best of medical attention could do was done for her. Being a woman of strong hopes and forces she bore her affliction nobly and always looked forward to the day when she would be totally recovered. However she sank lower and lower and finally death came as a relief to her great suffering. Beside her husband, Bert C. White, Mrs. White leaves a daughter, Miss Mae Rose, seventeen years old, and a son Master Howard White, three years old, to mourn her early demise. She came to Downers Grove about fifteen years ago from Utica, Indiana. Deceased was in her thirty-sixth year. Formerly she was identified with the Christian church. The funeral took place at the residence on Friday and was private.

A Time of Secrets

Secrets are flying in the air. Everyone wears a mysterious look that is pardonable, and everyone is busy in a way that all enjoy. Preparing for Christmas holidays is no hardship to the very best of us who are glad to pause in this work-a-day world and forget the necessary daily routine while we plan for the pleasure of our children, our friends and every loved one. Everybody finds time for these holidays and counts them the very best. It is hard to determine what brings the most pleasure, the customary gift-giving or the annual home coming. However, we all do not have homes to return to with father and mother counting the days that will intervene, and planning and preparing the happy surprises awaiting us. We who once looked forward to such happy occasions know that Christmas will never be quite the same again, not until our own little ones have grown up and scattered here and there anywhere; and we don't enjoy anticipating the arrival of that period.

Cass Correspondence

Grace Hawkins is quite sick with la grippe.

J. Littleford and son Harry visited Chicago last Saturday.

Miss Nellie Smart spent Friday of last week shopping and sight seeing in the city.

Ella Craigmile and son Frank, of Lyonsville, Illinois, were callers in Cass last Sunday.

Cass will have a Christmas-tree and entertainment on Saturday night. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. Frank Chivers was taken suddenly ill last Saturday morning, but is better at this writing.

A. C. Drew has rented his large stock farm and moved to Downers Grove. Charles Zarn is the renter.

Thomas Atwood of Vandalia, Illinois, is spending a week visiting friends and relatives in Downers Grove and Cass.

AUDITORIUM DOWNERS GROVE ILLINOIS

Wednesday evening, December 23, 1904, under the auspices of Maple Grove Lodge, K. of P.

Chicago Lyceum Company

In two catchy comedies

Love's Difficulties A comedy in two acts and

Uncle's Will Refined specialties by J. Lawrence Marvin

The LeMoyné Sisters and

Frank C. Kaye

Tickets 25 cents. All seats reserved without extra charge. R. B. - As the company is obliged to return to Chicago the same night, the performance will begin at 8 o'clock sharp.

LADIES ATTENTION

Hair switches made to order from Hair combs; also hair Puffs.

HENRY TILLER 609 Hillgrove Ave., LaGrange Near Wisconsin Ave.

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

The Woehrl Cigar. For Sale - Fresh cut green bone for chickens. Drop a card in post-office box 76 or leave order at 115 south Main street Downers Grove, Illinois.

For Sale - Ten acres of wood land with a good stand of live wood, one and one-half miles north of Downers Grove, owned by the Felix Kavanagh heirs. Price reasonable for cash. Apply to Peter E. Butler, 508 Ellis avenue, Wheaton, Illinois.

Beef by the quarter at L. Klein's market

Don't forget that Louis Klein has just the right-sized turkey for your Christmas dinner. Don't leave it to the last. Avoid the rush by ordering early.

Will do all kinds of housecleaning and general work around house at reasonable prices; also would like to take home two or three washings each week. Address, lock box 335.



KARPEN STERLING GENUINE LEATHER BRAND FURNITURE

Covered with best genuine leather made. Money back if not satisfactory. No other is so guaranteed. Look for the two trade-marks shown below. If not found, the leather is very likely to be cheap, trashy, split leather, made only to look well - wears shabby quickly, cracks and peels. Ours never does. Don't buy any but Karpén Leather Furniture bearing these two trade-marks.

Send today for our free booklet. It shows the shape in leather furniture, shows over 100 beautiful and correct Karpén designs, and tells how and where they may be best used. S. Karpén & Bros., Karpén Bldg., Chicago, Est. 1889 Largest Makers of Fine Upholstered Furniture in the World



THE AMERICAN MONTHLY REVIEW OF REVIEWS

The more Magazines there are, the more Indispensable is The Review of Reviews

"Indispensable." "The one magazine I feel I must take." "The world under a field-glass." "An education in public affairs and current literature." "These are some of the phrases one hears from noted people who read the Review of Reviews. The more magazines there are, the more necessary is the Review of Reviews, because it brings together the best that is in all the most important monthlies of the world. Such is the flood of periodical literature that nowadays people say that the only way to keep up with it is to read the Review of Reviews. Entirely over and above this reviewing section, it has more original matter and illustrations than most magazines, and the most timely and important articles printed in any monthly.

Probably the most useful section of all is Dr. Albert Shaw's illustrated "Progress of the World," where public events and issues are authoritatively and lucidly explained in every issue. Many a subscriber writes, "This department alone is worth more than the price of the magazine." The unique cartoon department, depicting current history in caricature, is another favorite. The Review of Reviews covers five continents, and yet is American, first and foremost. Men in public life, the members of Congress, professional men, and the great captain of industry who must keep "up with the times," intelligent men and women all over America, have decided that it is "indispensable."

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS COMPANY 13 Astor Place, New York

Advertisement for Chicago Telephone Company. Text: "Is Your Time Money. If so you ought to appreciate anything that will help you save it. The best way to save time is to have a Chicago Telephone. Cost but 6 1/2 cents a day. CHICAGO TELEPHONE COMPANY"

Advertisement for Dr. Price's Food. Text: "FOOD FOR BOYS and GIRLS. The more natural diet is more palatable, invigorating and strengthening to body and mind - right to the contrary with unnatural, improperly prepared food, which struts the growth, dwarfs the mind, causes a lack of will power, and steadiness of nerve. No doubt that fifty per cent of the failures in life can be traced to improper diet when young. DR. PRICE'S WHEAT FLAKE CELERY FOOD. is a natural food, and is healthy for growing children. Let the children try it, and note after continued use the mental and physical vigor it imparts. Palatable - Nutritious - Easy of Digestion and Ready to Eat. Dr. Price, the creator of Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder and Delicious Flavoring Extracts. A cook book containing 75 excellent receipts for using the Food mailed free to any address. Prepared by PRICE CEREAL FOOD COMPANY, Chicago, Ill. MENTION THIS PAPER When making your purchases From any of our advertisers"

COAL - COAL COAL

This is the season of the year when your coal bins should be renewed. We have all kinds of coal for sale. Leave your order early so that you will be provided against a sudden cold spell.

STOVES OF ALL KINDS

We have the best makes and can suit your taste, we feel sure. Our prices are the lowest for the best goods. Full line of Hardware, Paints, Oils, etc., kept on hand at all times.

MERTZ & MOCHEL

Downers Grove, Illinois

GIVEN AWAY FREE

A COPY OF THE SOUVENIR OF DOWNERS GROVE

Do you want to get a copy of that pretty little souvenir brochure illustrating Downers Grove and containing an account of its early settlement, growth and development, free of cost to you? This is how you can get it. To every new subscriber to the Downers Grove Reporter whose name is received at this office before January 31, we will give a free copy of the souvenir. The Reporter is the newest paper in the county and its weekly visits will be welcome. Let us send you a sample copy. Send us a postal if you cannot call.

THE KELMSCOTT PRESS DOWNERS GROVE

HARDWARE AND FARM IMPLEMENTS

We carry a full line of shelf hardware and the leading makes of farm implements. HAY, GRAIN AND POULTRY FOODS PAINTS, OILS AND VARNISHES

We are agents for the well known PAROID ROOFING. It is a money saving roofing. It is weather proof, wear proof, contains no tar and any one can lay it. Samples free.

CURTISS & HEARTT

Main and Railroad streets Telephone 293 Downers Grove, Illinois

COOKING BY GAS

Cooking by Gas is the most perfect, economical and satisfactory method of preparing food. Gas is the cheapest of all fuels and if the proper care is used a good gas range can be operated at a cost one-third less than it costs to run a coal range. It saves time - no coal to carry in - no dirt or smoke to contend with - makes kitchen work a pleasure. A large line of good Gas ranges can be seen at any time at our office. Call and see them.

LA GRANGE GAS CO.