FREE MAIL DELIVERY

it a more acceptable place to live and do hasiness in which may be had

for the asking and without direct or great expense, if our citizens were

awake enough to look at their own interests and the ultimate and per-

Postmaster Stanley is ambitious to bring this office up to the point where the department at Washington will permit him to give

free delivery of mail and yet we in a town of three thousand have not

nience it frequently is for persons expecting important mail to go to

the postoffice even once a day. Not long ago a prominent business man

was called out of town on account of the illness of his mother in a

neighboring city. He promised to write daily; his wife did not know

whether to expect his letters in the formoon or the afternoon, and

therefore made at least half a dozen unnecessary trips to the postoffice

several blocks from home, in inclement weather, within the half week

he was absent. She could telephone to the grocer or the baker or the

meat market for what she wanted and get it without having to leave

home, but she must go herself or send a child, none too well at the

amount of business which the office does. As we stated above, our

postoffice comes very nearly doing the required amount, yet it falls

and year out, letters, catalogues and advertising matter, to more than

meet this deficiency. Every three months the Holton Company sends

out twenty-five thousand copies of a publication known as Holton's

bring us the means of having free delivery and also bring us more than

fifty well-paid men and their families and children for our schools and

more than \$600 a week in wages distributed exclusively in Downers

reason why they should buy one of the lots now offered for the pur-

and his neighbor in bringing this great factory to this very quiet vil-

sive men do in neighboring towns where every year or two such a

normal possibilities of development and growth that it can not follow

out and have not regretted it, where they used good judgment and dealt

The responsibility of the Holton company is beyond question.

with responsible, established, reliable concerns, and not dead ones.

This town must go forward or it will go backward!

It will cost us not one cent more to have our letters delivered to

Free delivery privileges are granted to a town on the basis of the

Frank Holton and Company send out enough mail regularly year in

Do we want Frank Holton and Company to come to this town and

Some of our business men on the street say they cannot see any

The man who cannot see the advantages and benefits to himself

Such a man does not look at life and business interests as progres-

If other towns can afford to offer inducements to get factories, why

Is this town less alive or in some way is it so deficient in its

Neighboring towns have done this sort of thing year in and year

time, or ask a neighbor to call for the all-important letter.

Harmony Hints, on which they pay full postage rates.

pose of securing the location of the Holton company.

lage can not see his own interests.

the lead of other towns similarly situated?

thing is being done.

cannot the Grove?

of the town?

got it.

Grove?

riment. Will you belp?

held a federal position there.

ter pay for the carriers.

dale, died this week very suddenly

Mr. Carleton was forty-seven years old

Unless the government pays the rura

carriers better salaries, it will be im

possible to keep competent men in the

pleased to see that postmaster general

Cortelyou strongly recommends the in-

The members of the Congregational

church met on Wednesday and extend-

Dr. Allingham has preached here sev-

eral times and one and all who have

heard him were greatly pleased with

A dollar bill may carry to its

sponge that takes up fith and disease

germs from every hand through which

holding back their dollar bills for fear

they may carry some contagious dis-

ease to us. If they are, we assure them

we are safe, having had the mumps,

whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever,

bring along your dollar bills and we

will give you a nice clean receipt for

amallpox and many other diseases.

ceiver the vilest infection. It

it passes and from everybody

our delinquent subscribers are

crease in his recent annual report.

manent good of the town.

entitled to free mail defivery.

even better service to our people.

our door than it now costs to go forthem.

short about \$200 a month.

man, woman and child in the town.

We may have it for the asking.

Would Downers Grove like to have feet mail delivery to all parts

There are many things which would improve this town and make

The Downers Grove pestoffice does mearly enough business to be

This is a matter which interestment will directly benefit every

East Grove and the farming section about Downers Grove have

Every one in town can cite instances of the considerable inconve-

News of the Neighborhood

The village board meets next Monday night. Last Saturday the ground hog came,

mw and "took a sneak." We can get free mail delivery if the

Holton factory comes here. Moyer and company are advertising

a "clearing up sale" this week. J. B. and Mrs. Juno have moved to Chicago and will live in Hyde Park. L. Huth has erected a neat sign in

front of his new shop on Main street. Have you been to the Catholic bazaar yet? If you miss it you miss a great

Have you picked out your candidates for office yet? Getting near the time, is it not?

The woman's club will hold its annual reception on Tuesday next in Modaff's hall.

Cincinnati last week, The little child of E. W. Cox, who

lives at 57 South Washington street, died on Wednesday evening. A. Atwood of the township has been

confined to his home for the past two weeks with an attack of illness.

regular meeting at the home of Miss Emma Skinner tonight (Saturday). The Wheaton post office has a stamp canceling machine that is capable of

cancelling eighteen thousand per hour. The February term of the county court convened Monday. The March term of circuit court petit jury was

drawn. Chicago board of health excluded milk from scarlet fever infected districts and will not allow dealers to ac

cept it. Representative Go. L. Bush of this town has been appointed chairman of paper or monthly magazine you would the committee on railroads in the general assembly.

MISCELLANBOUS LOCALS.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF VALEN-Mary S. Diener, 100 H. Main Street.

LOST-BETWEEN THE CLUB HOUSE, Hinadale, and Dovemers Grove, on Wednesday evening, a silver watch, with gold chain attached. Reward for return. Leon Worley. Downers Grove.

FOR SALE-FINE STOCK OF TOULE geese, winning first prize at Downers Grove and Chicago, at \$12 a pair, or exchange for chickens. Eggs for hatching in season. Fred Moscherrosch, 45 S. Main St.

DO YOU ENTERTAIN?-IF SO, YOU will be interested in the new book, "Entertaining Made Easy," which contains many suggestions for decorations, games and refreshments suitable for afternoon and evening parties, also 33 guessing games with

"What to Serve and How to Prepare It." to a companion book of the above, and contains 198 receipts for sandwiches, salads, cakes and cakelets, drinks and ices, candy, and inncheon dishes, healdes a collection of tonata and quotations, menus and suggestions as to what to serve on different oc-

particulars, together with our booklet, telling how to make paper flowers, which we send FREE on request. Home Entertainment Bureau, 150-152 N. Trumbull Avenue,

FOR SALE-GOOD DRIVING HORSE afraid of nothing; safe for lady to drive Apply to Naramore & Foster.

FOR RENT-5-ROOM COTTAGE, WITH chicken and incubator house and 100 feet ground, L. R. Waptes.

WANTED-\$1,000 FOR ONE YEAR, AND \$2,000 for five years. Real estate secur fty. Inquire of Naramore & Foster.

WANTED-BY A PROMINENT MONTH le magazine with large, high-class circu lation, local representative to look after renewals and increase subscription list in Downers Grove and vicinity, on a salary basis, with a continuing interest from rear to year in the husiness created. Experience destrable, but not essential. Good oppor-

FOR SALE SIX ROOM HOUSE. water, good cistern; small barn and other outbuildings; large lot (66-100 of an acre). ample fruit and shade trees; five minutes walk to depot; on East Maple avenue; a great largain. For price and terms call on or address J. W. Pearce, 240 E. Maple avenne, Downers Grove, Illinois.

Haber, Box 50, Station O. New York.

WANTED-10 MEN IN BACH STATE TO travel, distribute samples of our goods and tack signs. Salary \$85 per month; \$3 per day for expenses. SAUNDERS CO., Department P. 48 Jackson Boulevard, Chi-

A. F. BEIDELMAN WILL NOW TAKE orders for cement sidewalks in the southwest ward. Prices cheaper than if laid by

the village. Phone 241.

WANTED-MAN TO REPRESENT HIGH. class enterprise, rapidly growing. To one qualifying permanent position with compeneation of \$50 per week. Application must contain full particulars. Address The Catas Vieins Mining Co., Iron Block, Milwankee,

THE INTERNATIONAL POULTRY FOOD prove just as successful for your poultry as the International Stock Food has or Dan Patch, the great record-breaking lotse. Penner has it.

WANTED-LADY TO ADVERTISE OUR goods locally; several weeks home work; expenses. SAUNDERS CO., Dept. W, 48-48 Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

RLANKETS AT PENNER'S THE KIND that will keep your horses warm and dry.

WANTED-MEN IN BACH STATE TO travel, tack signs and distribute same and circulars of our goods; salary \$80 per month; \$3 per day for expenses. SAUN-DERS CO., Dept. S, 46-50 Jackson bouleyard, Chiengo.

MONEY TO LOAN IN SUMS OF \$500 AND noward; 6 per cent; good security re-

OUR OLD CLOTHES OR CARPETS CAR to artistle and metal mg and See THR UNIQUE RUG COM-it, corner Main and Haple are

Who hasn't had enough "Thaw" even if it is zero weather? The query now is "Can the Chicago papers get a new

side married men bowled on Wednesday night at the alleys here and the

ing of last week the Crescent team won from the Hinsdales, but the Senecas lost to the Chicago team.

have assumed their studies.

The bowling match on Tuesday last at La Grange between teams from that place and Downers Grove resulted a defeat for our team by five pins.

ing that bill to tax them may pass John Stewart and wife attended the the legislature. They are considering

> ed Wednesday for New Orleans, where they will visit with Mrs. August Scha-

Delbert Austin of West Maple ave-The Arcadian club will hold their nue, we have just learned, is also the possessor of some early "chicks." He has five little golden wyandottes that

L. Klein now holds the championhis score reading 253. Several others are fast nearing him and he may lose his honors.

"Snow, beautiful, beautiful new," fell in plentiful lots this week on several occasions. Sleighs and sleighbells have been making life one happy event if it has been cold.

If you subscribed for a Chicago newspay cash in advance. Why not use your home newspaper as well as you do for

W. S. Crouse, a brother of Mrs. M.

Yakune, Washington. The board of supervisors had a meeting Tuesday at which the the March

Abraham Lincoln used to say, "It is easier to pay a large account than to pay a larger one." If you owe a small

People do not place confidence in

here. These lots are good investment. to live in and sites to build on. What

Was it cold? Well, some people who were on the streets at five o'clock Wed sixteen below and others only say Both thought the "machines" were frozen and the registration should be "forty" at least. That is how they tunity for the right person. Address Pub-

> The rural mail carriers and the old veterans are each scrutinizing the dispatches from Washington each morning newadays. It isn't political news they increase the pay of the former and pensions of the latter.

> There is beginning to be a slight stir in the pool of politics. The perturbasurface as yet, but evidently there is

for the reweighing of the mails in sixth district in which Downers Grove is located, and the post office department is rushing hundreds of tons supplies to their various destinations. The reweighing, which takes place every four years in each district, will begin for the sixth district February 15.

Do we want free delivery of mail in Downers Grove? Sure! Assist to get

pose for Evelyn?" Teams from the north side and south

south side "boys" won. At the basketball games Friday even-

The quarantine at De Kalb on account of scarlet fever has been raised and students of the normal school there

Some of our local bachelors are fear-

claim agents' association meeting in | "drastic measures" to get out of the Mrs. E. W. Farrar and her daughter, Mrs. McKee of Minneapolis, start-

are now a week old. ship belt of Downers Grove for bowling.

eign publications?

Skinner of this place, and who spent the holidays here, recently sold out his business at Indianapolis and went to

grand jury was selected. The steam beater at the county farm has gone wrong and has been condemned.

account it will soon be larger, so do it now. We are in a receptive mood.

the many rumors that are constantly flying about upon the streets. You can help us run down all rumors by giving in all the particulars of all local

ness. If you are a professional busione of the lots for sale and assist in getting the factory.

If the few lots ret unsold of the plat about the factory are disposed of the Holton people will soon be moving The factory people will want houses better investment could you want

It doesn't pay to hunt without a li ense. The little documents cost by Game Warden Orr recently the fortieth offender this season over in DeKalb county, and relieved hunter of \$51.90.

A special government taining millions of dollars' worth gold bars passed through this town last Friday morning via the Burlington en route to the mint at New city. The train consisted of five closed baggage cars and a caboose, which was filled with government guards. The cars were labeled "slik."

comething "doing."

Great preparations are being made

are insured in one way or another. It by buying a lot about the factory and justines in town. Plenty shocked by crossed wires at a switch our people. His uncessing efforts and weather that we mortals have to put

mail business is enormous, and would that has been done right here in our v'i-The advent of the Holton factory put us away ahead of the requisite sum lage by these orders. They won't last, will add to every business man's busi- to get it. Naperville has it, LaGrange you say? That remains to be proved; ladies of that denomination have W. B. Carleton, postmaster of Hins-

> forts for that order here. and was well known throughout the This is the season of the year when country. He was prominent in Repubthe beart of the printer man groweth lican political circles, being a member glad in anticipation of the generous reof the Republican central committee sponse his subscribers will make to the Last October he was appointed post gentle reminders they will receive that master of Hinsdale. Previously be was subscriptions are now due. Great are In business in Chicago and had also the pleasures of anticipation, and he who doeth not his part to see that the printer man's anticipations reach full fruition, wee be unto bim. If so be anyone shall receive an ungentle re service. It is unreasonable to ask these minder, let him search himself well people to work for nothing and find bath he not merited scourging? Yea themselves. This is peculiarly a farmverily. The printer man suffereth long ers' matter and every farmer should and is kind. He vaunteth not himself but doeth good unto others. Where fore, all ye people, Pay up! that the printer man may have joy and th evil days come not.

ganizations, are putting forth great ef-

We learn on pretty good authority that a certain individual who, in com become their paster. Dr. Allingham this coming spring. While this paper is a young man about thirty years old is not published in the interest of any now has the pastorate of two person, sect, faction, party or any numchurches in a Michigan town, but it ber of parties, ret we cannot but feel taking a post-graduate course in the an interest in the welfare of the vil-Chicago theological seminary. He has lage and would be loath to see its desbeen in charge of pastorates for about tinles delegated to a rabid fanatic, seven years. For the past two months whose greatest stock in trade is 'bluff We trust that the more conservative in terests will "early in the game" take stock and not allow the village affairs go a beggin' for good men when we have them a-plenty-men who have no selfish interests at stake and will give their time for the civic welfare of one and all. While the publisher of this paper has no desire to enter into a factional fight, he cannot but sound this

Held to Truck by Electric Shock Unable to move because of an electric shock, William Johnson, an electrician, lay on the Burlington tracks at Clyde last Wednesday night and watched a passenger train approaching. His brother, Albert Johnson, searching for him, saw the body on the tracks in the remainder. Probably most men in Downers Grove | glare of the locomotive headlight and

The Catholic Bassar

It is proving a grand success. hall has been suitably fitted for the occasion, and in attendance are workers among the Catholic women of own. Great interest has been taken in the affair and the patronage has been good. Catholics, Protestants and non-church people have visited the hall and all are loud in their praises for the hospitality shown them. Among the "hustlers" are Mrs. Corcoran, Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Oldfield, Miss Pentoney, Mrs. Gorman and several

A Grand Mustent Trent

The concert given by the combined bands of Downers Grove and the Frank Holton band instrument factory last Tuesday night at the auditorium was a decided success in every respect. The anditorium was packed and standing foom was at a premium. The event had been well advertised and the prograce offered was of a high order. All taking part in the concert voluntered their services and there was on the stage musical talent that would have cost elsewhere about \$250.00, estimated at conservative figures.

Downers Grove audiences, if the production is not up to standard, are some what chilly, but this time they greeted every number with marked enthusiasm. for every number greatly pleased them. The program was varied and well chosen, consisting of Panella's famous '18th Regiment March," Blaeger's beautiful "Star of the Sea" overture; a vocal solo, the ever popular "Holy City," by Prof. S. L. Lovett, accompanied by the band; Paderewski's celebrated "Minuet," by the Chicago saxaphone quartette; Meacham's stirring Pryor. "American Patrol;" Laurendeau's "Golden Wand" overture; a valse suite, "Sie Nicht Bos," by Blaeger; Harold DeBray, impersonator; a trombone solo

the Boys in Blue." The band was conducted alternately by our local director, H. E. Taylor, and E. J. Delano, bandmaster of the lor taking the first two and the fifth and sixth numbers, and Mr. Delano the

by Frank Holton, and a grand medley

of patriotic airs called "War Songs of

rescued William just in time to escape with enthusiasm and was good evidence as if they had an

of Frank Holton and company, was well received by the large audience for the manner in which he directed the combined band. Mr. Delano is a deep student of music, and possesses great ability as a director. His keen ear gives him complete control of each instrument, as was exhibited by the manner in which he handled the band on Tuesday evening. The Chicago saxaphone quartette

responsible for the fact that in our village we have a body of musicians

capable of meeting and playing on equal terms with city musicians. His

was vigorously applauded, it being perhaps the first time that many of our people have heard a complete set of these instruments. Mr. Delano is also a player of that

difficult instrument, the saxaphone, and with Messrs. Benfer, Beebe and Gault produced a splendid rendition. He was greeted by the large audience in splendld manner, and we believe that it was the wish of one and all that events may terminate so that Mr. Delano will become a citizen, which we understand that he is seriously considering. Downers Grove wants live, hustling young men just such as he is In the pieces, the 'Holy City," and the "American Patrol," the stirring parts were brought to a splendid climax under his direction and the last piece on the program, "War Songs of the Boys in Blue," was put through without a slip, although the two bands had never practiced the piece together in their joint rehearsals.

Mr. Delano's work in directing precise, and he does not seem leave much for the players to guess

Prof. S. Lovett is the possessor of a very fine baritone voice, which has a peculiar quality that makes it perfectly audible above the band accompaniment at all times. His enunciation was clear and distinct and his rendering of the beautiful song, Adam's "Holy City," was finished and artistic.

The number by Harold De Bray took the audience by storm. Mr. De Bray also took three encores and a couple an impersonator of rare ability and in Infushed with the necessary fit. the average of every ten words.

was the trombone solo by Frank Hol- and painting. Just before Christs into applause so that he had to stand last note taken being in high C (treble clef), which is held eight or ten meas ures. Mr. Holton responded to one encore and could have taken many cover how much they enjoy cos more but for the fact that the concert cating with you. had to be finished in a certain time in order for the Chicago players to

The concert was gotten up by the management of the Downers Grove band. The two bands had only two rehearsals together. Half a dozen players from the Illinois naval reserve band also generously volunteered their services, so that the band numbered forty-three men. The instrumentation was as follows: 1 piccelo, 1 flute, Eb clarinet, 1 C clarinet, 8 Bb clarinets, 3 saxophones, 9 cornets, 3 baritones, 3 trombones, 1 tenor, 5 basses, 3 drums,

The success of the affair goes to show that should the Holton band in strument factory finally be located in this village, a band could be maintained of at least thirty-five men that would take rank with the best amateur bands in the country.

Notes of the Concert.

Two of the Chicago trombone play ers missed the train and did not come out, making the trombone section a lit

The "American Patrol" is certainly an inspiring piece of music. In this piece when the band strikes "Dixie" it is impossible for the average Ameri can audience not to cheer.

Mr. Holton was at one time consid ered to be premier trombonist in the United States. He held the position of first trombonist in Sousa's band, which position is held now by Arthur

The manner in which the Downers Grove boys held their own along ste the city chaps showed that our boys have not lost any time while practis

An Barly Hatch S. T. Stryker of the gas company ha

Illinois naval reserve band, Mr. Tay- and he says he is going to make coats and felt boots for them. The Mr. Taylor's appearance was received little fellows seem to be just as lively We have half a dozen or more fraternal death. The injured man said he was of the regard in which he is held by are entirely oblivious of the sero

work in directing was painstaking and careful and showed a thorough understanding of the music. Professor E. J. Delano, formerly a newspaper man in a prominent Iowa city, and for some time superintendent of schools in that state, and now in charge of the advertising department

> E. W. PARMAR The Picture Contest

"sticker" last week was

Downers Grove it reached us so

than the other. Mrs. Charles Carpe ter is the successful guesser of the pic ture. Below are some of the guess B. Roth guessed Dietrich Laning Mrs. Charles Carpenter guessed E

This week the picture which was

W. Farrar. R. M. Hevenor, of Pittsburg, guessed E. W. Farrar. Dr. Roberts guessed Mitchell Heints.

Mrs. C. H. Staats guessed Peter Leibundguth. E. W. Farrar, whose picture was guessed, has the honor of being the first white child born in Downers Grove. He is one of our veteran citi

zens and vividly remembers when Chicago was but a small collection of houses clustered about the forks of the river and Downers Grove habitati could be numbered by the flugers of his hands. He is a prominent mem of Naper post G. A. R. and has had the honor of being "officer of the day ever since its organization for memorial days.

Baptist Church Improvement In a quiet way during the past year and a half some very decided im ments have been made in the Baptis parsonage, until now it is almost model home. In the first place, after the present occupants took poof bows. He is a humorist, a past the trustees had the lower rooms beaumaster of the art of story telling and tifully papered and the bathroom fur telling of his experiences while on a ladies' aid next took a band in the trip to New York he got a "laugh" on | business and had a fine steam beating plant installed. After this, the cham-The crowning feature of the program | bers received treatment in paperis ton. At the sight of this veteran of some of the good friends got the idea twenty-five years' professional experi- that telebone service would be helpfu ence with such bands as Phinney's, to the pastor and his wife, and with Brooke's and Sousa's, the audience burst little effort secured sufficient to pay for the current year. This was presented for some time acknowledging the re- to Rev. Dr. Prescott as a Christ ception and unable to begin his solo. mas token of appreciation. After the The piece selected was Liberati's varia. holidays the trustees came forward tions on the "Battle Cry of Freedom." again and made contract for electric This is one of the most difficult solos lighting. This is now completed, and The Catholic bazaar for which the for trombone there is published; the each evening the parsonage is bright variations being of increasing difficulty | with the beautiful light. Mr. and Mrs. and ending with a grand finale, the Prescott wish to express their most hearty appreciation for all this thought fulness for their comfort. Their i number is 402. Call them up and dis

More Telephone Matters

The telephone people are 'awful" solicitous of Downers Grove and the service here. four different officials have been in town during the past few days. Now we wonder, was it that little article of ours that caused it? Of course, i people will say that this paper has no influence at all, but when we see a corporation like the Chicago telephic company sending officials out hace see that we are getting good service after just one little notice, we are convinced that there is potency "cold types." We are glad to learn that the company is taking such gres interest in their business here and a allowing it to "go to the dogs," to nee a common expression. Possibly th did not know that Downers Grove was a resident manager who will be on ground here all the time to look at have to produce our own power whe we want to talk over a phone. us a larger switchboard and more of erators. Put your wires t Get the big poles that obli main and only payed street in the shade trees. Don't chop down that take forty years to grow as beauties of nature about desire to destroy such nate uncts. Give us con connected with our village