

# DOWNERS GROVE REPORT

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## DEPARTMENT HAS NEW HARNESS.

FOR QUICK SERVICE.

It Will Not Be Necessary to Hitch Up a Horse for Our Hose Cart.

When the fire whistle blows and you hear the fire department by using your horse on the hose cart it will not be necessary to have him harnessed up as the fire department now has a regular fire wagon harness hanging from the ceiling of the fire house, which, when the horse is backed underneath, drops onto the horse's back and is fastened to the horse with patent fastenings. If you want to see the new harness and how it works ask Louis Klein, the fire chief, to show it to you. He is the proudest and happiest man in Downers Grove.

## Local Happenings

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the author, not necessarily his address, but an address of good faith on the part of the writer. Write only on one side of the paper. Be particularly careful in giving names and dates, to have the letters and names plain and distinct.

Q. M. Allison has just purchased a new pony and buggy.

Marion Stanley has taken up painting as an occupation.

The Misses Bateman entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. Root on Saturday last.

Miss Emma D. Wheeler left on Wednesday to spend the winter in Florida.

George Spauler was in Elgin Wednesday, attending Rev. Rood with his moving.

J. E. Lipsey's new baby was operated on this week and is improving rapidly.

Miss Jessie Aldrich entertained a few friends on Oct. 10, her eleventh birthday.

Miss J. W. Bradbury has been very sick for the past week on account of overwork.

The palaters are putting the finishing touches on Dr. Bell's new home on Currier street.

Mrs. R. L. Prescott, who has been very sick for some time, is reported a little better.

R. D. Gray, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, spent Sunday with his brother John, of this village.

Bradbury & Furlong are preparing to furnish oyster suppers at residences in this village.

Charles Farniloe came over from Elgin last Sunday to spend the day with his parents.

L. J. Smith is moving his family to Mendota, Ill., where he expects to engage in business.

Lela D. Puffer was the guest of Miss McClintock, of Hinsdale, last Saturday and Sunday.

The Arcadian Club will meet at the home of Miss Ruby Innes, Saturday evening, October 19.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Metz and son Harold, spent Sunday at the home of George Schindler.

Our High School closes on Monday, October 21, to allow the teachers to visit other schools.

Miss Anna Findley returned about a week ago from her trip to England, and reports a lovely time.

Mr. and Mrs. Bush, the parents of C. A. Bush, are here from Kansas, spending a week with the latter.

Mrs. H. T. Aldrich is so very much improved in health she expects to return to her home Nov. 1.

Mr. W. B. Towsey was confined to his home last Sunday on account of an acute attack of lumbago.

Mrs. Geo. B. Hearst has been quite indisposed for some days and is under the care of Mrs. Dr. Roberts.

Paul W. Herring moved into the Bateman house, corner of Maple avenue and Main street, this week.

John Stoult and family will soon leave for California, where they will make their home this winter.

Mr. J. A. Mason, of Prairie View, Ill.,

Illinois, was a week-end guest of his daughter, Mrs. Dr. W. H. Schaffer.

The German Evangelical Church will hold a church fair on the 24th of this month at Modaff's hall, at eight p. m.

Mrs. C. B. Blodgett has been confined to the house this week by a severe cold and a swelling on her face.

The Majestic Orchestra have started their series of private dances. Their first one is to be Friday evening, Oct. 18.

A request is made that all persons having Congregational church hymn books in their possession to return them.

Rev. H. H. Rood, formerly of our local Methodist church, now presides at the Fourth street church at Aurora, Illinois.

Geo. Downer has been ill for the past week and unable to work. The latest reports are that Mr. Downer is no better.

Mrs. Bertie Willis, who has been confined to the house for some time with a crippled ankle, is able to be out again.

D. L. Latimer is spending a few days this week at Moline, Illinois, representing our local lodge at the Grand Lodge at Moline.

The grounds of the pumping station on Belmont street are being cleaned up, which improves the looks of the plant a great deal.

Miss Julia Rehm has been called to her home, just south of Lisle, to assist in the caring of her sister, who is very sick with typhoid fever.

An illustrated lecture is to be given by the Chicago Health and Hygiene Society, at the Auditorium in our village, Oct. 23, at 7:30 in the evening.

Fred Mertz and Frank Kramis are spending a couple of weeks in Pierre, South Dakota. Miss Maud and Ella Mertz left on Tuesday to join the boys.

Contractor Reutledge now has his own roller at work on Maple avenue. Mr. Reutledge has just completed a large contract for the village of Hinsdale.

The ladies' aid society of the Methodist church will meet in the church parlors Thursday afternoon, October 24, at one-thirty for a special work meeting.

The Misses Jennie and Pearl Smart and Edgar Otto attended the wedding of Miss Myrtle Snyder, of Chicago, and Theron Hincheff, of Denver, October 16, 1907.

Dr. Dowson and wife, of Colorado, will be guests in Hinsdale and Downers Grove next week. They, with Mrs. Edwin Willard, will spend the winter in the south.

Kent Wylie, who for the past couple of weeks has been working at the printer's trade in Indianapolis, Indiana, says that he is enjoying himself immensely.

Miss Fannie Stewart and Mrs. G. H. Hunge, delegates from our local Woman's Club, are attending the State Federation of Women's Clubs at Bloomington, Illinois.

V. Tholin has just put in a fall line of ready made suits and trousers. Get his prices. He has doubled his stock of gent's furnishings at Meyer's old store.

Miss Madge Wylie will attend the Iota Beta Phi sorority convention in Chicago Saturday evening. Miss Wylie will also spend a couple of days with her sorority sisters there.

Quinn Smith has bargained his livery stock and rented his barn to A. Durst. Mr. Durst had a livery in this village before and will be heartily welcomed by his many old customers.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Moore, nee Miss Mabel Stanley, are still enjoying the beauties of the Hudson River and the Berkshire Hills. In a few weeks they will settle down in their Wisconsin home.

Leslie Puffer spent Saturday at Gary, Indiana, with the Norton family, who are well known here. Leslie wanted to see if he couldn't trace the burglars who recently entered the Norton home and stirred things up.

A reception was tendered to Rev. B. F. Farniloe on his return for the fourth year in the ministerial service by the friends of the church and congregation in the Sunday school room of the church last evening, October 18.

When in Chicago at a book store Dr. Farniloe removed his coat and hung it up while he was examining some books. Someone took advantage of the chance to get a new overcoat this winter without paying for it and Dr. Farniloe came home without his overcoat.

## YOUNG MEN'S CLUB

OF DOWNERS GROVE.

Organized by Prominent Business Men of this Village.

This is the first announcement of the Young Men's Club. The need of an institution of this nature has presented itself many times in the history of our village. It seemed, however, that for lack of some one endowed with good organizing ability and from the apathy of some of the citizens that to effect this organization and launch it successfully would be little less than phenomenal.

The time has now come when that which a few months ago seemed impossible has been accomplished and a strong committee of some of the best citizens of

Western. The first ballot resulted in the election of Mr. Smith, by 13 to 8. The election of Mr. Smith indicates a hopeful awakening on the part of the board which bodes well for the future. Mr. Smith is intelligent, clear headed, and cool. Independent in politics, not allied with any clique—a man of unquestionable integrity and firmness enough to insist upon a square deal and no favoritism. We predict for Mr. Smith a long and honorable career as chairman of the board.

After the selection of a permanent chairman, Mr. Findlay, who is in charge of the expert audit of the county offices, read his report on the treasurer's office from 1884 to 1906, and on the circuit clerk's office from 1892 to 1906; showing the enormous office during the incumbency of John S. Smith, a shortage of \$2,000, and during the last four years of L. H. Patton's incumbency, \$252,000, and during that of P. B. Keller, who is now in office, \$1,100.

The report is quite exhaustive and

## STRUHM LEAVES TOWN.

MAIN STREET DONE.

Contractor Fletcher Awaits the Arrival of His Brick for South Main Street.

After much delay on account of rain Charles Struhm, the engineer on the steam roller which has been working for Contractor Fletcher on South Main street, put on a good head of steam and tooted a good-bye to Downers Grove. Struhm has been running steam rollers for the American Crushed Stone Company for a number of years and he has proven himself to be a first class man at that business since he has been in this village. With all of the delay that has been caused on South Main street Mr. Struhm completed the quarter mile of rolling in a little over a couple of weeks. Mr. Fletcher has almost completed his contract. He is now waiting for the brick and as soon as the brick arrives it will be only a matter of a couple of weeks or so before he has finished.

## DR. FARNILOE'S ADDRESS.

Quoting from Governor Hanly, of Indiana.

At the Methodist Church last Sunday evening Dr. Farniloe gave his first Sunday evening address after his return to this charge by the conference recently held in Chicago. For his sermon Dr. Farniloe read some remarks from a recent address of Governor Hanly, Indiana, and also put in several apt and pithy comments of his own. The Scripture reading was taken from the 22d chapter of the Book of Proverbs, which begins, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favor than silver and gold." "We are living in a time," read the pastor, "when ministers are not simply to be known as clergymen. A man in civil office ought to be a minister of Jesus Christ just as much as the minister in the pulpit. The church to-day is not so militant as it was formerly. It lacks intensity of conviction; it is too classic—too well pleased with itself and too well satisfied with the world. The members should be militant Christians, for there are still crosses to bear and burdens to carry. I would have," said Governor Hanly, "more of the essential elements of power there, which the church now lacks. We need a virile Christianity—men and women who hate unrighteousness in any form and who are willing to bear arms against it. Unless the church runs away, there is fighting to be done. The field is nation wide, the issue is of transcendent import. The domain to be fought for is this republic, its manhood, its womanhood, its childhood and its institutions. Institutions for which men have died at the battle's front, hoping to preserve them to the last generation. The trophy to be fought for is a 'stainless flag,' the foe is the organized liquor traffic of America. It is an enemy well worth while. With almost limitless wealth, resourceful, cunning, desperate, it observes no law human or divine. It spares neither age nor sex; its banner is a black flag. It is an outlaw. It has no pity that aversion does not strangle. The Christian church must meet it or run away. But it cannot run away, it must stay, it must fight; it will stay and it will fight, not one but one hundred battles, before it yields or runs from the field. We need men of moral fibre and excellent judgment." Quoting from John G. Holland, he continued: "God give us men; a time like this demands strong minds, true faith and ready hands. Men whom the lust of office cannot kill; men whom the spoils of office cannot buy; men who have opinions and a will; men who have honor and will not flie. Men who can stand before a demagogue and scorn his treacherous flatteries without winking; tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog in public duty and in private thinking." The Christian church must unite, it must organize, collect all its forces and bring to bear every moral influence it possesses. It must above all be doggedly persistent. It must create and keep alive public sentiment. The ultimate extinction of the traffic must be the goal toward which it struggles, but we must be glad for every advantage that is gained. I have seen so much of the broken manhood," said Governor Hanly, "so much of the blight and ruin which the traffic entails upon our commonwealth, that I am willing to strike it anywhere I can, whether in public or private life." And this from the Governor of our neighboring State, Indiana. "The business is so utterly indefensible from any standpoint, moral or economic, that I will give my support to every measure that will hit it. I hold that there is no more sacred right than the right of a free people to drive from its midst this wicked evil. The Christian church must stand and compel it to go. It is a question of whether the church at the liquor traffic will stand. When the church of the Lord Jesus Christ makes itself

heard, then the politicians will obey." "What do you suppose is making the change in sentiment? And what do you suppose is making the difference now that men are asking 'what the church wants? Because a goodly number of men are making themselves heard by their ballots. There are men, though, who are standing around with their thumbs in their vest pockets, and saying 'we can't do anything.' God deliver us from that cowardly spirit, for we can do something; we must; yes, and we will. 'The relief will come when every Christian man stands in his lot and in his place and says, 'God helping me, so far as I have power, this business has got to stop.'" Comment was made of the immense decrease in crime when the saloon and all the liquor business was absent. There were 100 less murder trials in a year in one State, and a corresponding decrease in other crime. There is an immense saving in jail and court expenses, and say nothing of the manhood and womanhood that is saved. Dr. Farniloe was free to say that the lives of many of our young men and some of our young women were being blighted and ruined by the perpetuation of the beer wagon in Downers Grove. It was also stated that the national government was to a great degree nullifying the laws enacted by States to protect themselves, by permitting C. O. D. shipments of liquor into territory where liquor is prohibited.

## ANOTHER WEDDING.

A very pleasant wedding ceremony was performed at the residence of Mrs. Lucia Andrus, 23 Grove street, last week, when her daughter, Miss Nellie J. Andrus, was united in marriage with

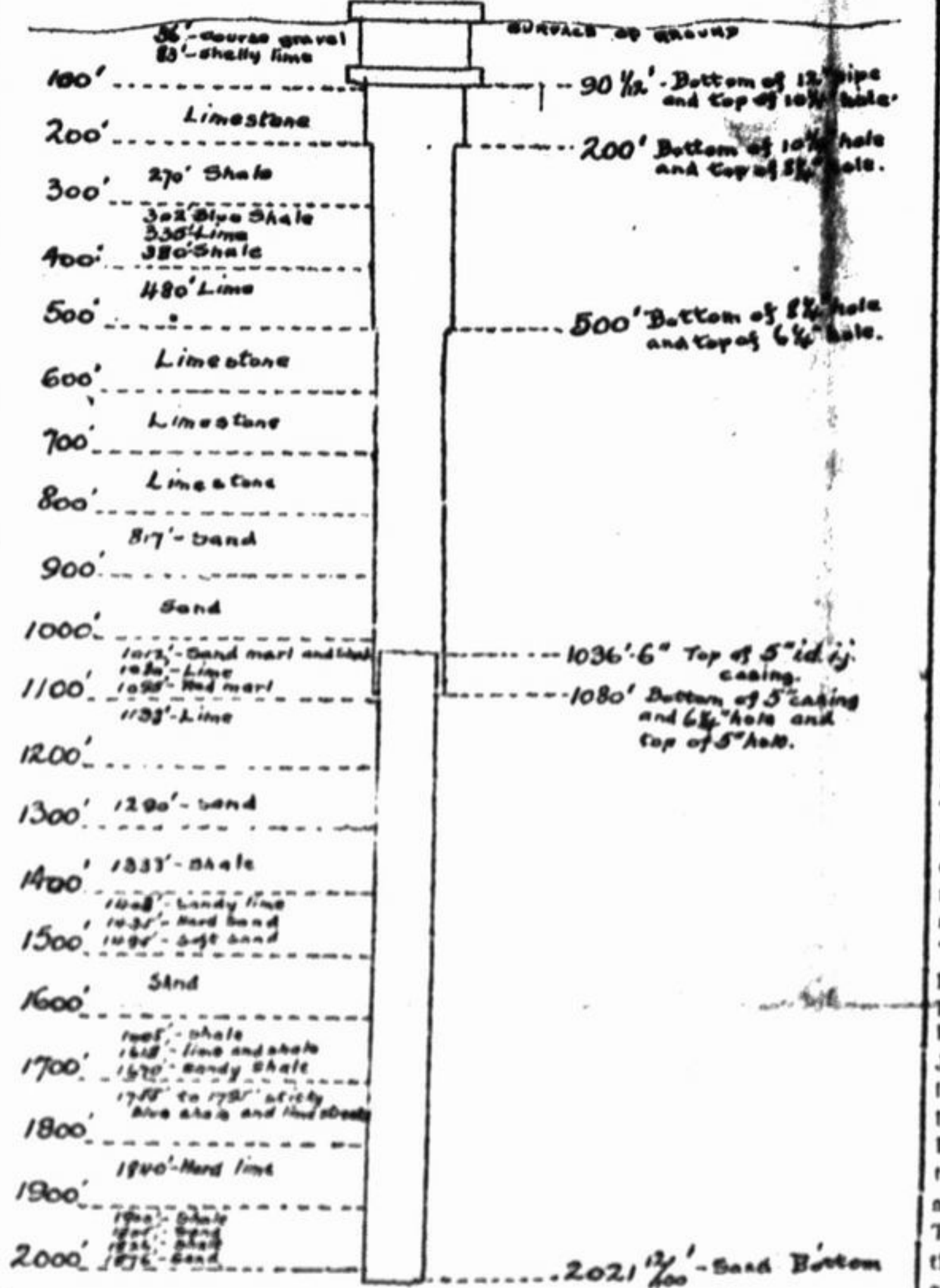
## ELEGANT CHURCH BUILDING

AT WHEATON, ILLINOIS.

Erected by Judge Gary as a Memorial to His Father and Mother.

Among the points of particular interest at our county seat, Wheaton, Illinois, and which is well worth a half or even a full hour of any one's time, is the Gary Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church. This church, which is one of the finest, if not the finest, in the West (exclusive of Chicago), is testimony, quality of material, and accommodations, was built for the Methodist of the city by Judge Gilbert H. Gary, now President of the United States Steel Company, and who is one of the wealthiest men in the country. The building has a total capacity of 1,500 people, and was erected by Judge Gary in 1901 as a memorial to his mother, Susan Vallette Gary, and his father, Erastus Gary. While the exact cost of the structure is not known, it is pretty generally understood to be not less than \$100,000. The building is made entirely of stone, and the interior furnishings are for the most part of golden oak. The main auditorium has a seating capacity of about 500, including the gallery, and contains a splendid pipe organ. The pulpit furnishings are unique and very attractive. Adjoining the pulpit is a

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Log of well at Downers Grove, Illinois. Original Copy sent to the State Geological Survey.

## LETTER FROM STATE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Master Roland Schultz drew the log of the Downers Grove well, which has just been completed, and sent it to the State Geological Survey at Urbana, Ill. Roland received the following letter: Walker Museum, University of Chicago, Oct. 12, 1907. Mr. Roland Schultz, Downers Grove, Ill.: Dear Sir—Please accept my thanks

for your kindness in copying and sending me the log of the well at the village of Downers Grove. It is especially gratifying to get the record of this well, as it is with one exception the deepest well in Du Page county as far as I know. The completeness of the record and the care taken in copying also add its value to me. Any factors that the survey in general or I personally can extend to you shall be extended. Thanking you again, I am, yours sincerely, ARTHUR C. TROWBRIDGE, Field Assistant.

the village have united their forces and put upon a sane, moral and workable basis, an institution which shall give to the young men of our village an opportunity to grow into a strong, healthy citizenship proving to the community and state that by ordinary and intelligent co-operation this may be accomplished.

This organization is controlled and operated by the citizens of the village, the churches co-operating by a representative from each church and also assistance financially and otherwise. A meeting of several of the young men was held Tuesday evening at the home of T. H. Murray on Currier street for the purpose of ratifying the constitution and election of officers for the club.

The following are the officers as elected: W. W. Heinz, President; Jason Littleford, Vice President; Marion Stanley, Secretary; H. Ward Fairweather, Treasurer.

The committee have appointed as

## CAMBRIDGE NEWS.

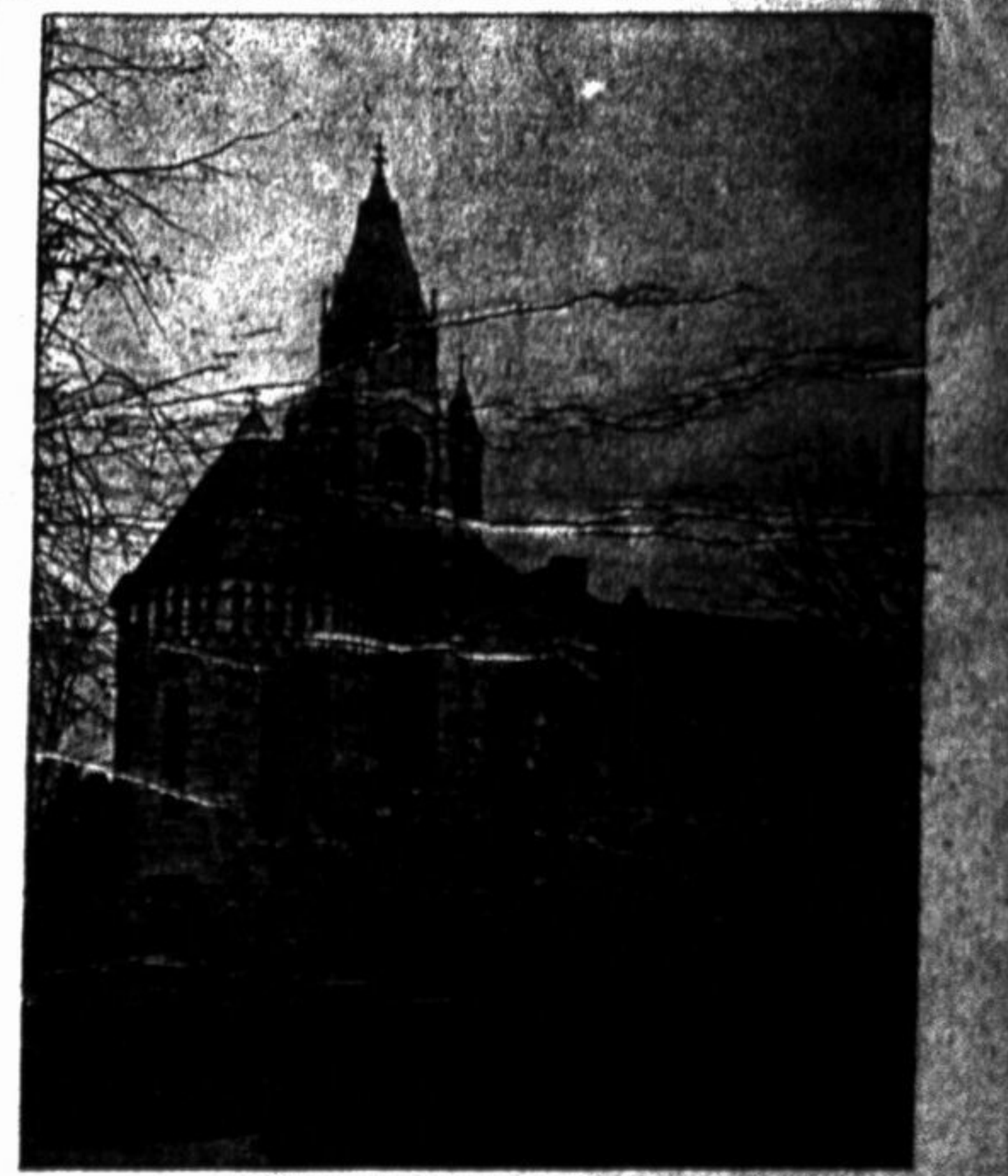
The board of supervisors met in special session on Thursday, Sept. 26. John Miller, of Galva, was chosen temporary chairman—Thos. Nowers, the former chairman, having died since the last meeting. After roll call the board adjourned until Friday. The old steering committee were busy in the meantime trying to determine which one of their own number would be most available as a candidate for permanent chairman. Finding that Tibbets would be sure of defeat they finally settled upon Bothwell, of West-ern. When the board met on Friday the first thing in order was to elect a permanent chairman. The independent element nominated John F. Smith, of Edford township, and the machine faction nominated Leonard Robinson,

shows that Mr. Findlay is a master accountant, whose figures cannot be impeached. He and his able assistants have patiently and diligently waded through a mass of chaotic and fragmentary data which to anything but a fine expert would present an impossible task. The report contains much food for reflection and when it is published it should be studied carefully by every citizen and especially by every taxpayer and voter in Henry county.

Apropos of the great number of shortages being unearthed by the experts in the court house, the following incident comes to mind: A few days ago a dandy descendant of Ham—who is stopping temporarily in the "Hotel Swain" and incidentally working for the county to help pay expenses—while working in the trench running from the new heating plant through the place where the old "fire proof" used to stand came onto a lot of old "relics" such as old ink bottles and other things. As he threw them out one after another, a bystander asked him what he thought he would find next. Without missing a stroke of the shovel the darkey promptly replied, "Well, boss, I 'spect to find a shortage presently."

## I. O. O. F.

Lodge Deputy, Frank Haumesser, installed the following of Downers Grove Lodge, No. 750, I. O. O. F.: J. W. Brown, N. G.; W. H. Shafer, V. G.; A. D. Setty, Secy.; A. F. Beldeman, Treas.; Frank Haumesser, Ward.; A. F. Beldeman, Cond.; W. J. Beldeman, I. S. G.; Gust Johnson, O. S. G.; Lester Barr, R. S. N. G.; Samuel Hoffer, L. S. N. G.; J. H. Griffith, R. S. V. G.; Geo. Sizer, L. S. V. G.; E. L. Lawrence, R. S. S.; Ben Weatherly, L. S. S.; D. O. Graham, Chap.; J. W. Hester, Ross; Yarns in F. L. E. A. D. Setty, Secy.



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