

DOWNERS GROVE REPORT

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FIVE CENTS

BASEBALL— SUBURBAN LEAGUE

LEAGUE STANDING.

| Club. | Won. | Lost. | Pct. |
|-----------------|------|-------|------|
| La Grange | 12 | 3 | .800 |
| Downers Grove | 11 | 4 | .732 |
| Western Springs | 7 | 7 | .500 |
| Hinsdale | 7 | 7 | .500 |
| Clyde | 6 | 8 | .429 |
| Riverside | 1 | 14 | .067 |

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS.

Downers Grove, 1; Hinsdale, 9.
Clyde, 7; Western Springs, 5.
La Grange, 9; Riverside, 0. (Forfeit.)

GAMES SATURDAY.

Downers Grove at Western Springs.
La Grange at Hinsdale.
Clyde at Riverside.

LOCALS TRIM HINSDALE AGAIN.

For the third time this season the local team triumphed over Hinsdale. The game Saturday was a slugging match and Hinsdale nearly succeeded in breaking their heads against the locals.

Neither pitcher pitched good ball consistently and Seferi blew up in the ninth and Hinsdale put over five runs with five hits, a base on balls and an error. Hales finally ended the agony by driving out a long fly to lines. This Hales caused considerable trouble during the day, driving on a home run in the first inning and starting all the trouble with a hit in the ninth.

Things looked dark for Downers at the start. Hales caught the second ball pitched and drove it far into left field for a home run. Webster followed this with a single, but Clark, Wiese and W. Hales all fanned.

Downers went one better in their half. Innes led off with a base on balls (the first of his six); MacLean was hit by a pitched ball; Walburn hit safely, scoring Innes; MacLean was caught at the plate on Wald's tap; O'Hara; Fannit singled, scoring Walburn; Seferi hit safely, scoring Fannit; Reuss walked, but G. Duncan struck out and Dugney was out on his tap to Hales. The locals scored again in the second, pushing over two runs. Hinsdale could do nothing with Seferi again until the fifth, when a hit, a walk, an error and a couple of hitouts, scoring two runs. After that he held them helpless until the ninth. Score:

| Downers. | R. | H. | P. | A. | E. |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Innes, lf. | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| MacLean, c. | 2 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 1 |
| Walburn, cf. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Wald, 2b. | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Fannit, 3b. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Seferi, p. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Reuss, lf. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| G. Duncan, lb. | 1 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| D. Duncan, rf. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dugney, ss. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 11 | 8 | 27 | 7 | 2 |

| Hinsdale. | R. | H. | P. | A. | E. |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Hales, ss. | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Webster, lb. | 2 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Merrill, cf. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Clark, 2b. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Wiese, lf. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Kessel, cf. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| W. Hales, rf. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| O'Hara, 3b. | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| Myers, rf. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bresse, p. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 9 | 10 | 24 | 12 | 5 |

Two base hits—Walburn, Seferi, Dugney, Kessel. Three base hit—O'Hara. Home runs—Hales, Fannit, Stolen bases—Innes (3), Kessel. Base on balls—Off Seferi, 3; off Bresse, 10; Hit by pitched ball—By Seferi, 1; by Bresse, 1. Umpire—Parker.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

During the storm of Tuesday night lightning struck the house of John Chaplin on the Smart place at Lacey.

The bolt struck the gable of the house, entering the room and shattering a glass in the stand, scattering the pieces, one piece cutting a gash in the face of Mr. Chaplin, who was in his bedroom. It also upset and broke a lighted lamp, which set fire to the room. Mr. Chaplin extinguished the same with a pail of water.

Luckily no one else was injured, their escape from harm being deemed miraculous when the damage done by the bolt is considered.

BUSH AND PARKER

The People's Choice for the Legislature.

Representatives Bush and Parker, who went into the primaries on their records, were handsomely vindicated by the vote cast for them at the election last Saturday.

The latest returns give the following result:

| | W.H. | DuPage | Totals. |
|----------|-------|--------|---------|
| Bush | 3,531 | 1,789 | 5,320 |
| Parker | 4,345 | 1,392 | 5,737 |
| Olson | 2,406 | 890 | 3,295 |
| Balgeman | 3,991 | 914 | 4,905 |

Did you vote at the primaries? The people do not understand the law, and it will take a whole lot of education to make them understand. Most of the voters do not like the idea of not being allowed to vote for their choice, irrespective of party. While we admit it is all right to draw party lines and adhere closely to them, where does the independent voter come in? There is only one consolation, if he has no vote at the primaries he will be able to select his men from all the candidates at the election in November.

R. D. Parker was refused a Republican ballot at the primary on Saturday because he proclaimed himself an independent voter. Years ago an independent voter was a rare thing, but their numbers are increasing every year, and the time is not far distant when the two old parties will have to reckon with him.

We believe the independent voter who does not hesitate or fail to vote for the best candidates on the ballot, irrespective of party politics, is doing more for the purification of public life in the country to-day than any political party can or will do.

A HAYRACK RIDE.

The young men of the Congregational Church gave a very pleasant hayrack ride for the benefit of their class and body friends' Tuesday evening. The party left the church at 8 o'clock and drove out to the beautiful home of Frank Lacey, where games and music were indulged in and refreshments served. Marshmallows were toasted and a number drank freely of the orangeade which was served in such abundance. They did not depart until the "wee wee" hours, all rejoicing over the good time.

Buy Your Season Tickets for the

WHEATON COUNTRY FAIR

Before August 24th

Not sold after that date. Seven admissions, good for any person and on any day, \$2.00. Regular admission 50c. Tickets for sale at Bush & Simonson's, Downers Grove and at Mayme H. Engel-schell, La Grange.

NAPERVILLE PARK CAMP MEETINGS.

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The seventeenth annual convention of the Illinois Conference Branch Young People's Alliance is now in session in Naperville Park. About one hundred delegates have thus far been reported to the convention. Among the speakers for this gathering the names of Rev. H. A. Kramer of Cleveland, Ohio, and Prof. S. S. Umbach of Union Biblical Institute appear. The convention will close Sunday night, August 16th.

Monday, August 17, the English camp meeting will begin and continue until Monday, August 23. The day sessions

accommodations so perfect and convenient for the attendants as circumstances will permit. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these meetings.

TRAINS TO NAPERVILLE PARK.

| West Bound. | | East Bound. | |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Leave Chicago. | Arrive at Park. | Leave Aurora. | Arrive at Park. |
| 8:20 a. m. | 9:00 a. m. | 8:35 a. m. | 8:42 a. m. |
| 11:00 a. m. | 12:18 p. m. | 1:10 p. m. | 1:23 p. m. |
| 4:30 p. m. | 5:16 p. m. | 5:40 p. m. | 5:12 p. m. |
| 5:11 p. m. | 6:00 p. m. | 10:10 p. m. | 10:25 p. m. |

Sunday Trains.

| East Bound. | | Sunday Trains. | |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
| 9:25 a. m. | 10:33 a. m. | 7:35 a. m. | 8:10 a. m. |
| 11:00 a. m. | 12:18 p. m. | | |
| 2:20 p. m. | 3:42 p. m. | | |

NOW IS THE TIME.

The above passage is recorded in the Good Book and I think there are many passages there which would in no wise lose their dignity by being wisely quoted in the daily press, but on the contrary would have a healthy and stimulating effect upon the quality of the material often stuffed in to fill a column of news.

I am destined to be a rambler, and finding that I am incurably affected with the malady of "mobility," I endeavor to amuse myself both for pleasure and instruction by observing the evolution of nature.

I am particularly interested in the new improvements on our streets, and can't help chuckling to myself when I see those brick crossings going in, for I know full well what it will mean to me in my peregrinations next March and to the housewives when they come to the door in response to a ring, and looking down at my feet, used to wonder whether it paid to ask me in or not, but now the smile will be like "Sapolito."

I used to love hunting and liked to kill for the love of killing, but now some how I don't care to hunt. I think that in a measure all life is less or more sacred, and I think our love of killing innocent animals is but a remnant of our ancient barbaric state, which state, heaven knows, ought long ago to have devolved.

Now some folks who would not kill a mosquito if he bit them six times in thirty minutes would not think anything of killing a nice shade tree.

I have rambled around to the point I wish to make, and it is this, i. e., I notice several small shade trees growing upon vacant lots which are being unmercifully destroyed by the owners because they have no use for them, while yards of the new parkways of our new streets will be without shade trees.

Now, can something be done to preserve all these young shade trees until early spring and let there be a wholesale attempt to stud the new parkways of our streets with the healthiest and finest specimens so that ten years from now we shall not only have the best paved streets in the suburbs of Chicago, but the most complete and perfect system of street shading.

I thank the editor for this liberty of reaching the local readers and suggesting this topic.

A SUBSCRIBER.

A LETTER WE APPRECIATE.

Downers Grove, August 7, 1908.
C. H. Staats: Enclosed find check for \$1.50 for "Reporter," 8-8-08 to 8-8-09. I am prompt in renewing subscription, knowing from experience that your editors cannot always live on promises, they must have something more substantial. Yours truly,
JOHN HOLLAND.

Local Happenings

10 CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the writer, but not necessarily his address, but as an evidence 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 figures plain and distinct.

—Look for additional local news on page 5.

—Miss Isabel Findlay is visiting in Elgin, Ill.

—Fred Calliver was the guest of old friends on Tuesday.

—Mrs. John Riley is quite ill at her home on Grove street.

—CUCUMBERS for pickling, call Phone 807, E. E. Easton.

—Watermelons and Rocky Ford muskmelons at F. Gerwig's.

—Mrs. John Jewett and son have gone away for a month's visit.

—John Riddler and daughter visited relatives at Naperville on Sunday.

—Mrs. Victor Petersen and daughter have been visiting in Galesburg, Ill.

—D. G. Graham has Downers Grove Village improvement bonds for sale.

—Mrs. Wesley Webster was the guest of Mrs. Berner on Saturday.

—Miss Irene Funk, of Kernan, Ill., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. H. Bunge.

—If you wish good fresh milk, drop a postal card to Julius Johnson, box 501.

—Mrs. M. B. Downer has returned home after a pleasant trip to Los Angeles.

—Joseph Batterham has been on the Grand Jury in Chicago the past five weeks.

—Mrs. C. L. Sutherland and sons have returned from their visit at Casey, Ill.

—Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Farrar have been across the lake to Benton Harbor and vicinity.

—Harvey Thatcher is out again after being compelled to lay off on account of sickness.

—Mrs. John Rutherford, of La Grange, is somewhat better after a tedious illness.

—Mrs. A. P. Daniels entertained a number of her little friends on Friday of last week.

—Miss Carrie Foster is spending the month of August with friends in Shelby, Mich.

—Miss Helen Anderson and Miss

Mary Gillespie have been on the sick list this week.

—Miss Nettie Riley is home from the city, where she spent several weeks with relatives.

—"Beechnut" Peanut Butter, 15c and 25c. "Beechnut" Bacon in glass, 25c, at L. Klein's.

—Mrs. H. M. Allen, of Middaugh avenue, is at the Hinsdale Sanitarium for treatment.

—Miss Florence Kerr, of White Plains, N. Y., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Downer.

—Miss Clara Lacey, who is employed in the city, is spending a two weeks' vacation at home.

—The Ladies Aid Society of the Evangelical Church met at the home of Mrs. R. Briggs Thursday afternoon.

—Mrs. Burns, Miss Stewart and Alec Stewart Horns are at home after a two months' vacation trip down East.

—E. J. Matson was surprised by a few friends on last Saturday evening, the occasion of his birthday anniversary.

—Joseph Kelst was a guest of E. O. Stanley and family over Sunday. Mr. Kelst has made many friends in the village.

—The many friends of Miss Mabel Messer will be glad to know she is spending a part of her vacation in our village.

—"Beechnut" Dried Beef, 25c. "Beechnut" Catsup, 15c. "Beechnut" Baked Beans, large can 15c, small 10c, at L. Klein's.

—A delightful time was had on the grounds of Wm. Straube Tuesday evening. A supper was served and five hundred was played.

—Mrs. Emma Wheeler was called to Chicago on Monday to attend the funeral of her mother-in-law, Mrs. Wheeler, who died at San Antonio.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hodgett spent Tuesday in Wheaton with Mrs. Hodgett's brother, who has been ill with heart trouble for several months.

—Clemens Koskowitz, the world's weight lifting champion, visited Walter J. Baker, the Downers Grove wrestling champion, last Saturday and Sunday.

—Fly time is here, protect your horses by buying a fly net; also good selection of whips and buggy harness at C. Penner's new location, 101 South Main street.

—The many friends of Charles Hodges express sympathy for himself and wife on account of his severe illness and hope for a speedy recovery from the same.

—A very pleasant surprise party was given last Saturday evening in honor of his 80th birthday anniversary at the home of his son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stanley. A delightful evening was spent. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Loomis of Goshen, Ind., Joseph Kelst of Chicago, Gay Earnest, the Misses Batemah, Mrs. Adah Anderson and Mrs. Berner.

—A little item copied from a Chicago paper will be of interest to some of the friends of W. G. Hasdell, who is well known here. The daintiest chocolate and tea room in Chicago was opened last Saturday at 1950 Evanston avenue. W. G. Hasdell, the proprietor, is a Londoner, wide awake and up to date, his experience abroad fully equipping him for this high-toned venture. The store is essentially first class.

—The Business Men's Association Picnic was called off on account of the rain, and the members of the Association took advantage of it to have a day of rest, some staying at home with their families and others going to Chicago or other points. Although it was a disappointment to have it rain in one sense, every one took it philosophically, knowing the great need of the country, and realizing that it meant thousands of dollars to the farmers.

—Imperial grand piano from the parents of the bride.

—English oak dining table and chairs from Mr. and Mrs. J. Yettie.

—One dozen sterling silver forks from the parents of the groom.

—Oil painting and mahogany picture from Mrs. George Oberne.

—Silver chafing dish from Miss Edith Oberne.

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APOPULAR COUPLES ARE

Miss Grace Huling, formerly of Hinsdale, bride of Frank Jones, Littlefield.

A very pretty home wedding, residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Huling, Wednesday afternoon, was the special event of the week. Miss Grace Huling and Miss Grace Jones, both of Hinsdale, were bridesmaids, long considered one of the handsomest and charmingest young women of Downers Grove, was daintily attired in white silk with wreath of flowers and wore a heavy bouquet of white roses. Her jewelry was a moon brooch, the gift of the groom, a gold chain with locket set in diamonds.

Invited by the melody of the organ wedding march, played by Miss Emma Skinner, the bride entered the parlor at 4:15 on the arm of her father, preceded by her two bridesmaids, Julia and Margaret, carrying bouquets of flowers and bearing the wedding rings. A simple but impressive ceremony was recited by the Rev. Reynolds, including an exchange of wedding rings, after which the relatives present formally congratulated the happy pair. Refreshments were bountifully served to over 500 in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Littlefield took an evening train for Chicago with destination undetermined. A number of relatives accompanied them to the depot. The home was elegantly decorated with hydrangeas, peonies, asters and ferns.

Among those present were Mrs. Charles Flanders, mother of the groom, who came from her home in Dallas, Texas, especially for the occasion; Mrs. James, Mr. Littlefield's grandfather; Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Littlefield, Cass; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Littlefield, La Grange, Ill.; Hubert Littlefield, Miss Lottie B. Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Alden, Myrtle L. Littlefield, Harvey J. Littlefield, Miss Anna Littlefield, James B. Littlefield, Mr. George Oberne, Miss Oberne, Mrs. Edith Oberne, Chicago; Mrs. George Oberne and son, Oak Park; Mrs. Edith Carpenter, Sterling, Ill.; Mrs. Mrs. Kate B. Finley and Miss Caroline A. Huling, Mr. and Mrs. J. Yettie, Mrs. Yettie, Mr. A. Daniel, Elmhurst, Ill., and Mrs. Raymond E. Elmhurst and children, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Shaw, Mrs. Miss Grace Herington, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Newman, of Chicago; Mrs. Kelly and Miss Edith Herington, of Vincennes, Ind.; Mrs. B. E. Freeman, Ill., and Mrs. Chas. Reynolds, Ill.; Fred Alford; Mr. Sidney Wain, Ill.; Mrs. Plaines; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hicks, Chicago.

That the bride and groom were in high esteem among their friends was amply attested by the numerous gifts bestowed on them in connection with their home-starting. In addition to various sums of cash, the following were announced, most of the articles being on display to the guests:

—Imperial grand piano from the parents of the bride.

—English oak dining table and chairs from Mr. and Mrs. J. Yettie.

—One dozen sterling silver forks from the parents of the groom.

—Oil painting and mahogany picture from Mrs. George Oberne.

—Silver chafing dish from Miss Edith Oberne.

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REV. C. STAEBLER.

will be given up to addresses, lectures and sermons designed especially for the training of Christian workers. All evening meetings will be evangelistic. Rev. C. Staebler of Cleveland, Ohio; Prof. G. J. Kirz, Pres. H. J. Kieckhefer and Prof. E. E. Rife will be the principal speakers during these meetings.

The German camp meeting will be opened Monday, August 24, and continued until August 31. The two bishops, Horn and Spreng, will be present during these meetings and preach the Word. The following schedule has been arranged for the camp meetings:

- 6:40 a. m.—Rising bell.
- 8:30 a. m.—Early prayer meeting.
- 7:00 a. m.—Breakfast.



BISHOP S. P. SPRENG.

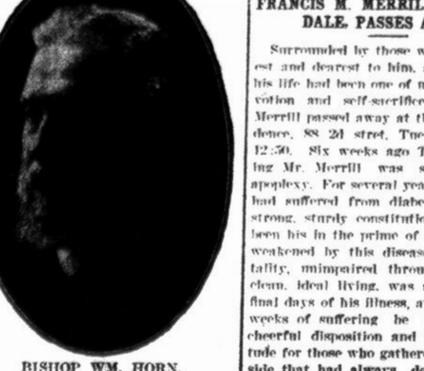
- 8:00 a. m.—Preachers' hour.
- 9:30 a. m.—Bible study.
- 10:40 a. m.—Praying.
- 12:00 m.—Dinner.
- 1:30 p. m.—Children's meeting.
- 2:15 p. m.—Song and praise meeting.
- 2:30 p. m.—Praying.
- 5:30 p. m.—Supper.
- 6:30 p. m.—Quiet hour.
- 7:30 p. m.—Song and praise service.
- 8:00 p. m.—Praying.
- 10:40 p. m.—Retiring bell.

The following rates of admission will be charged:

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| Season ticket | 80.00 |
| Additional season tickets | 25.00 |
| Five day tickets | 25.00 |
| Single admission | 10.00 |
| Evening admission (after 6 o'clock) | 5.00 |

Children under 10 years free.

The Camp Meeting Association is spending every effort possible to make



FRANCIS M. MERRILL OF HINSDALE PASSES AWAY.

Surrounded by those who were nearest and dearest to him, and for whom his life had been one of unwavering devotion and self-sacrifice, Francis M. Merrill passed away at the family residence, 88 2d street, Tuesday noon at 12:50. Six weeks ago Tuesday morning Mr. Merrill was stricken with apoplexy. For several years previous he had suffered from diabetes, and the strong, sturdy constitution that had been his in the prime of manhood was weakened by this disease, yet his vitality, unimpaired through a life of clean, ideal living, was strong to the final days of his illness, and during the weeks of suffering he retained the cheerful disposition and tender solicitude for those who gathered at his bedside that had always dominated his life.

Francis M. Merrill came to Hinsdale

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DO IT NOW AND Avoid the RUSH

Buy your SCHOOL BOOKS before the first of September and take advantage of our low prices. A good stock of second-hand and shelf worn books now on hand. 10% discount on all books bought before Sept. 1st.

E. M. DIENER
109 South Main Street