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THE JUBILEE SINGERS.

The Sterling Jubilee Singers, who will give the first entertainment of the Athletic Association course for the season in Dike's Hall, on Thursday evening, October 8th, is the leading company of Jubilee singers in the West, and the highest-priced talent that has appeared in that line in Downers Grove. The company is composed of true artists, and a great treat is in store for those who attend this concert.

The following from the Evening Star of Independence, Kansas, in commenting on a concert given by the Sterlings in that city, shows how the audience appreciated their singing:

"The speeding years have shown the thoughtful world that through the genuine Jubilee singers has been added to the sum of human knowledge, much



scientific information concerning the opening of the race. Students of history know how closely the birth years of modern Europe are wrapped up with the ditties and songs of the old Jubilee and troubadours of sunny Florence. The old ballad literature, embodying the mysterious folk lore of hidden centuries of human progress, recorded on no other parchment, affords the student of human progress a means of measuring movements and getting a vision of the view of the up-coming of brain and heart in older times gained from no other source. This explains the real hold of Jubilee singing on the popular heart. The quaint songs and melodies were not born of the artificialities of the drawing room or the studio. Originally they were torn, blebbing from the heart of a lowly people, whose sorrows and joys and soul struggles they embody in quaint Jubilean song.

"One source of the Sterling Jubilee company's power is in their quaint melodies which they sing, all of which have a cute way of present-ing, like Sam Jones, enforcing truth by means of unusual humor. 'You Must Come In at the Gate' is as humorous a song as they sing Saturday night, but the fact that you can't get round, or over, or under, or through, is never preached with finer effect from great pulpits than when these colored singers laugh you into the realization of the solemn fact. Jubilee songs photograph the long history of the quaint people who sing them. What better picture of their whole up-coming could an artist's brush have left on the canvas than is contained in the song 'I'm Sometimes Up, an' I'm Sometimes Down'?" It is a sad, quaint epitome of the black man's life.

"The singing of 'The Sun Do Move' by these Jubilee singers, reminds one of the tremendous power of song and iteration. You almost believe the unscientific statement, even though you still know how absurd it is, with the many quaint monotonous repetitions, the rhythmic melody and lines. Perhaps the real mission of music is to enforce the truth, rather than to merely tickle sentiment. 'Certain It is that only the singing that sings something into life can be called song of the highest order.'

Dike's Hall is now being redecorated and new seats have been contracted for, which will make it the best hall in the suburbs of Chicago.

Many people in Downers Grove have never seen the inside of this hall, and those who have visited it lately have been both surprised and delighted that Downers Grove possesses such a large and beautiful hall for lectures, concerts and public meetings.

KILLED A RATTLE.

Mrs. A. J. Cross of Downers Grove, came Saturday morning to visit her brother, Wm. Buffield of South Ottawa. On Monday Mrs. Cross and Mrs. Buffield took a buggy ride and when they arrived at Covel creek they saw a rattlesnake crawl across the road in front of them. Their horse also saw it and stopped, refusing to move forward. Mrs. Cross got out of the buggy and with the whip assailed his snakeship, stunning it and then procuring a club proceeded to kill it. The snake was three feet long and had three rattles upon its tail and the ladies think it also had a button which was lost in the killing. After they were sure his snakeship was dead they placed him in their buggy and took it home where the rattles were removed.

You have to explain a coal oil lamp but no breath need be wasted in telling about the power of the sun. The springtime will do that.

OLD MAN THROWN FROM BUGGY.

Horse Frightened at Auto Causes Accident on Illinois River Bridge.

William Duffield, brother of Mrs. A. J. Cross of this village, 75 years old, was seriously injured last Friday evening as he was returning from Ottawa to his home, three miles south of the city. He was driving in his buggy, and as he arrived at the north approach to the Illinois river bridge he was met by an auto, the driver running the machine at a high rate of speed. Mr. Duffield's horse, becoming frightened, swerved to one side and the old man was thrown to the ground and badly injured. When the driver of the auto saw that the horse was frightened he paid no attention but pushed on and did not even stop to look back, nor did he attempt to check his speed or go to the rescue of the old man after he was thrown out.

The ambulance was called and Mr. Duffield was taken to Lyburn Hospital, where it was discovered that one of his ribs was broken. He was removed to his home Friday night.

A COMING WEDDING.

A wedding will take place at Englewood next Tuesday evening which will be of interest to Downers Grove folks, as the bride will be Miss Carrie Reeves, who was a teacher in our school for several years, and was very much loved by all who became acquainted with her, for her many noble traits of character and loving disposition. The groom, Mr. Harry Ryser, has always lived in Downers Grove and greatly admired by his friends for his unassuming, his courteous gentlemanly ways and many other sterling qualities. Mr. Ryser is a great lover of home life. His mother, a woman of lovely character, who has been laid to rest for several years, taught him the value of its influence, which will be the foundation of the new home in Englewood. All the best of wishes go to this young couple from their Downers Grove friends.

A VISITOR FROM THE FAR EAST.

Mr. W. H. Peet of Constantinople was entertained at the home of W. H. Edwards last Sabbath. Mr. Peet is the son of W. W. Peet who delivered \$50,000 to the brigands for the release of Mrs. Stone, the missionary.

Among the Churches.

—Christian Science church will meet at Modaf's hall Sunday at 10:45 a. m.

—St. Joseph's Parish. Mass at 10:30 a. m. High mass first Sunday of month. Pastor J. A. Hollman.

—German Evangelical services at the Congregational church. Sunday school, 1:30; services, 2:30. Rev. Merbach, pastor.

—Revival services at the Evangelical Church will continue over Sunday. The Sunday services will be grandiose, both morning and evening. All are cordially invited.

—Methodist Episcopal Church. F. F. Fairlie, pastor. (Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Public worship at 10:30 a. m. Sermon by pastor. Sunday School at 12:30. Junior League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30. At 7:30 Rev. H. V. Holt, district Superintendent, will preach. All are cordially invited.

—Congregational Church. Morning service at 10:30 a. m. Theme, "The Most Selfish Prayer in the Bible." Evening service at 7:30. Theme, "The Kind of an Audience That Makes a Good Sermon." Janice C. E. Wednesday evening at 8:45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Leader, Mrs. M. Stinson.

—The last quarterly conference of the present conference year will be held at the M. E. Church on Saturday evening, Sept. 12th. Rev. Dr. Holt, district superintendent, will preside. A full attendance of the official members is urged, as important matters are to be considered. A written report will be expected of every department of the church work.

—Next Sunday will be Missionary Sunday at Lake Church. At the morning service Mr. J. C. Curry, of Chicago, will sing. At the evening service beginning at 7:30 Mr. A. Keniya, a Japanese student from Moody Institute, will speak. Mr. Curry will also sing again and Mr. Arthur Griffin will play a violin solo. Everyone is cordially invited to attend both these services.

—St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. During the months of August, September and October the services will be as follows: Sunday-school, 10 a. m. Evening Prayer, with sermon by the Rev. G. D. Adams, 7:30 p. m., excepting that on the third Sunday of each month there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 11 a. m., and the evening service will be omitted. A cordial invitation to all.

—Baptist Church. At the morning hour the pastor, B. L. Prescott, will preach from the subject "Needed, An Awakened Christ." Sunday School and R. Y. P. U. at the usual hours. In the evening at 7:30 there will be held an Ira D. Sankey memorial service. The music for the occasion will be from his heart. "The Ninety and Nine" will be sung as a solo. The pastor will give a short address on the life and work of this gifted man of God. A cordial invitation to all.

Faithfulness in the day of small things is what makes the true man.

A LOVED ONE GONE

TO HER LAST REST

In the death of Irene Holland, aged 15 years 2 months and 11 days, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Holland, the village of Downers Grove loses one of its most lovable and promising young ladies.

She was a girl of good Christian character, beloved by all her schoolmates and girl friends.

She passed away peacefully Wednesday, Sept. 2, at 11 o'clock p. m., conscious to the last and calling all her loved ones by name, speaking comforting words to her parents. Thus she closed her eyes in the last long sleep of death.

The funeral was held Saturday at 2 o'clock from her late home, 66 W. Curtis street, to the West Side cemetery. The Rev. R. Allingham preached the following sermon:

The passage of scripture chosen for this occasion is recorded in the Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14th chapter and the 12th verse; "And His disciples came and took up the body and buried it; and they went and told Jesus."

In the main there is no relative likeness between the incident from which the text is taken and the occasion which brought us together this afternoon.

Yet in a peculiar sense I think this is one of the most appropriate passages of scripture in the Bible from which to draw lessons of confidence, consolation and hope in cases of bereavement.

The incident was the laying to rest of the body of a noted young preacher. The story of his life is too long to go into detail but a few facts are worthy of mention. He succeeded against all the opposition of his day in securing the greatest audience ever known under the circumstances.

It was not in the center of Jerusalem's trafficked streets or India's thickly populated villas, but in the desert that John did his preaching, and people flocked from Judea, Jerusalem, Samaria and Galilee to hear him. He was a free bird of the desert and with the enthusiasm and freedom of a man who becomes disgusted with the rites and ceremonies of a stultified religion he denounced form, hierarchy and hypocrisy in the strongest terms. His fame spread until it penetrated the royal court and Herod became one of his admirers.

He is soon a guest of the royal family and at once we ask the question in this young hero, this champion of truth to be silenced by the luxury and bewilderment of a corrupt court? No, John did not surrender his manhood; it was principle or popularity, and principle won. John was imprisoned in Herod's prison, and John's disciples came and took the body and buried it and went and told Jesus.

Two facts are prominent here, and I shall endeavor to present them as clearly as I can and in the briefest manner: First, the execution of John was beyond the control of his disciples, no matter how they might have tried to avert it. John came to his death unconditionally, of course, but his disciples were not aware of the fact until news came that he was dead. This is also true where death comes in its most natural form. All that loving hands can do may be done, and yet the onward march of the enemy is not impeded. Second, the action of his disciples demonstrates the highest standard of Christian confidence. "They took the body and buried it, and went and told Jesus."

This is grand, noble, majestic. Who will say that this is not the spirit and confidence with which we shall do the same to-day. To my mind the incident that brought us together is not unlike that from which the text is taken in that we had no control over the death of our beloved sister and daughter, but let us also say that no higher act of confidence and hope can be performed than our bringing this matter stumpy and implicitly to Jesus. Let us go and tell Jesus.

I have known the deceased since my coming to the pastorate. She has been a modest and consistent member of our Sunday school. A Christian girl. The token of affection and respect scattered so profusely around the casket and the presence of her day school and Sunday school mates is sufficient to prove that she did not live in vain, but had wrought herself into the affections of others. Let me repeat the text again and close. "And his disciples came and took up the body and buried it, and went and told Jesus."

The pall-bearers were Bryan Carpenter, Geo. Narnegy, Garth Farrar, Roy Burt, Mel. Binder and Walter Staats.

The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful, the piece sent by the C. R. & O. people being a particularly handsome piece of the florist's art.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Holland desire to express their sincere thanks to all their friends and neighbors for the kind sympathy extended to them in the hour of their bereavement.

Last year Colorado produced nearly \$27,000,000 worth of gold and a little more than \$8,000,000 in silver, while the value of her agricultural output was estimated at over \$107,000,000. In addition, the value of beet sugar, made from Colorado-grown beets, was estimated at \$25,000,000 and the value of the fruit crop at \$7,000,000.

A LETTER FROM THE SIGHT-SEERS.

Yellowstone Park, Wyo. Sept. 7, 1908.

Downers Grove Reporter: Friend Chris—As you requested, I will write you a few lines to assure you we have not got lost in the shuffle, but are still on earth. We arrived on our way out at this hotel on Saturday, Aug. 20, at 5 p. m., and rested until 8 o'clock Monday morning, Aug. 31. We took a survey, with three seats, with tallyho springs, and a man for driver who had been on the route for twelve years and was posted as to all places of interest.

The scenery from the start was very beautiful, commencing with the Mammoth Hot Spring confining an area of about ten acres, with hot water oozing from every opening, flowing down the side of terraces and hardening as it cooled, leaving a formation colored same as the mineral substance contained in terraces. The different colors glistening in the bright sun was a beautiful sight. On Sunday, Aug. 30, it rained and snowed all day, and when we started Monday morning the snow was about two inches deep, but soon disappeared under the rays of the hot sun.

Our first day's drive was forty miles. Something interesting at every turn. The transportation and hotel accommodations were first-class over the whole route. The bathing springs and geysers were something wonderful and hard to describe, particularly Old Faithful geyser, which spouts once each sixty or seventy minutes every day in the year, throwing out water from 100 to 150 feet high and a large body of steam much higher.

We saw a large number of deer and bear every day; did not seem at all scared by the approach of tourist or any other person. The carneys were the most wonderful I ever saw. I will not attempt to describe. Our whole trip so far has been one of interest and pleasure. I have managed thus far to keep Comrade Herbt between the traces. We expect to take train this afternoon for Portland, back to Seattle, to Victoria, Vancouver, and return home by the Canadian Pacific route via Winnipeg.

We looked all around the park for a man crying, "Hand up!" but nothing of the kind appeared.

All join with regards, Yours,

T. R. H.

LABOR DAY AT YE EDITOR'S.

Last Monday being Labor Day, the humble editor of the Downers Grove Reporter planned to labor for a few hours in his garden, harvesting an accumulation of tomatoes and weeds which threatened to overrun his place. But before he could begin his self-appointed task, a car load of his Chicago relatives arrived at the house and informed him they were going to spend the day with him. After looking at the house they decided that there was not room enough for them to spend the night as well.

"Glad to see all of you," said the editor as he greeted Brothers Henry, Julius, Frank, Harry, William and Friend Louis and Sisters Annie, Dora, Emma, Louise, Mary and Ella, and Plymouth Minnie, and niece and nephews galore. Here, son, run down to Louis and tell him I need a ham and about fifty slices of steak before he closes his shop.

"What's that," chimed in Sister Mary, who weighs something less than 30 pounds. No, you don't get any grub. We brought cords of cutting along. You shut right up, or I'll sit on you."

It took some time to get the United States sorted out, as there were forty-eight of them, including the editor and his family. After that came dinner served on the lawn. The afternoon was spent in visiting a thing which the States clan had not done in years. At supper the vaunted cords of eatables were used up to the last crumb (and we had to get up before breakfast in order to get something for breakfast). A late train took the guests back to Chicago, promising to repeat the surprise in the near future.

EVENING SERVICE.

Since changing to the evening hour on Sunday the services at the Congregational church have increased in interest and attendance. It is the purpose of the church and pastor to make this service helpful to all. The service is short and bright, and a cordial welcome awaits all strangers.

The service begins at 7:30 and closes close to the hour 8:30. The Sunday evening themes will be interesting. Watch the announcements.

MILLINERY.

Will open my store September 7, 1908, with a full line of advanced styles in fall and winter millinery.

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His Victory. A physical culture tutor said at the end of a recent women's boxing and fencing exhibition: "Physical culture among women, women's growing strength and pluck, lend interest to marriage, change marriage's complexion. "How is poor Smothers gettin' on?" said one man to another. "Well," said the other, "Smothers is now almost recovered from the beatin' he gave his wife last Saturday night."

—Los Angeles Times.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OPENING

On Friday of last week the Board of Directors of the Athletic Association held a reception for the stockholders and their guests, which was attended by a large number of ladies and gentlemen who enjoyed themselves at bowling, pool and billiard playing and with the shuffle board.

The rooms of the Association presented a very pleasing appearance, and the work of the directors in displaying such good taste and judgment in the matter of decoration was highly commended by the visitors. The walls and ceilings of the entire place are painted in two harmonious colors, with a line of moulding separating them, above which are pictures framed in weathered oak. The principal ones are of Joe Cannon, in a characteristic pose; General Grant, outside of his military tent; Abe Lincoln, swapping yarns with a neighbor; Paul Revere, General Sherman, Mark Twain, Buffalo Bill on horseback, Grover Cleveland, in his study, and a number of others.

An improvement which will be appreciated by those who patronize the bowling alleys is the removal of the large shades, containing gas lamps, and the installation of a row of six electric lights over each alley, which gives a more pleasing effect and much better light.

The entire street front and doors of the billiard and pool rooms are equipped with frames stained in mahogany, containing Florentine glass, presenting a neat appearance both from the outside and inside.

Mr. McKeever, the new manager, gave indications of being the right man for the place and Downers Grove has now in operation a place of recreation which is a credit to the village in every respect and worthy of the patronage of all our residents.

Local Happenings.

10 CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the author; not necessarily his publication, but an address of good faith on the part of the writer. Write only on one side of the paper. Be particularly careful of dates and seasons, to have the Editors and Correspondents and the Editor.

—J. M. Cook spent Sunday in Bond-wick.

—Look for additional local news on page 5.

—Mr. Frankfeld has started to build a cottage on Lane Place.

—Mrs. John Riel and Miss Rita spent Sunday with friends in Evanston.

—Mr. Alfred Beckman and family returned to Rogers Park on Monday.

—Mrs. Jos. Koehl, of Hinsdale, visited in Downers Grove last week.

—Louie Jones and wife have been spending their vacation on a lake trip.

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

—Mrs. J. H. Griffiths entertained her sister-in-law, from Wisconsin, last week.

—Ernest, Grace and Marjory Morris were Sunday visitors at the Cook home.

—Mrs. David Grant of Oak Park spent Wednesday with Mrs. Park-stead.

—Mrs. Howard and McEroy spent Friday with Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Anderson.

—Mr. Fred Duthie and family have moved to the Speers home on Maple avenue.

—M. E. Stanger has just received a shipment of Gunther's celebrated candles.

—The pretty girls whose faces are their fortunes soon go into the hands of receivers.

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

—Mrs. J. W. Jewett and son have returned from Boston, where they have been spending the summer.

—Mr and Mrs. Frank Kellersman are spending a few days in Peru, Ill. Mrs. Kellersman's old home.

—Mrs. Lathrop and daughter of Ravenswood were guests of Mrs. Berner one night last week.

—GRAPES, TOMATOES, SWEET PEPPERS. Orders taken now. Phone 807. E. E. Easton.

—Mrs. H. M. Allen returned home from Hinsdale Sanitarium Sunday greatly improved in health.

—The reason why people succeed who mind their own business is because there is so little competition.

—Mrs. E. W. Lewis opened her kindergarten with a full number of pupils last Tuesday morning.

—Peaches, grapes, pears and plums by the dozen or basket. Fancy fruit at reasonable prices. F. Gerwig.

—Invitations are out for a large card party at Mrs. Anderson's home on Maple avenue next Saturday evening.

—Mrs. Bertha Willis, Miss Elizabeth and Francis returned to the village after a delightful trip in Michigan and Ohio.

—Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush have moved into the home formerly occupied by Mr. Hugh M. White, 102 Gill-best avenue.

CHURCH PICNICS ON LABOR DAY

The annual picnic of the Evangelical Sunday school on Maple avenue was held at the Lake picnic grounds on Labor Day. It was ideal picnic weather, rather warm in the sun, but the shade was invitingly cool. The usual games were run, even the ladies taking part in the egg race and ball driving contest. While the boys enjoyed a cloudy contest ball game the girls entertained themselves at croquet and lawn tennis. As usual those at the stand were busy serving ice cream and lemonade.

The day passed all too quickly, and when evening came all were sorry that it was not a few hours longer.

The picnic of the German Evangelical St. Paul's Church in Evanston, woods on Labor Day was a decided success. From noon until evening the grove was crowded with good-natured men, women and children out for a day's recreation and pleasure.

The ice cream and refreshment stand was presided over by Paul Beck and Louie Klein and was well-gated. The grab bag held by Mrs. Kirchbaum and Miss Belg were soon emptied of their contents. The doll baby cart attracted the attention of the ladies who tried their skill in throwing, leaving the small boy busy keeping track of the well meant but wild throws. There were quite a number of visitors from Hinsdale, Naperville and La Grange, which was appreciated by the society. Mr. Beck made a neat little speech, blessing the work of the Sunday school.

Class Race No. 1—First prize, burnt wood box, donated by Miss Clara Belg; won by Lydia Trumble; second prize, box of writing paper, donated by Clara Belg, won by Ora Buchman.

Class Race No. 2—First prize, bottle-handled knife, donated by Paul Belg, won by Emory Klein; second prize, compass, donated by Mr. Paul Belg, won by Robert Schultz.

Class Race No. 3—First prize, bottle perfume, donated by Laura Belg, won by Lydia Belg; second prize, necktie, donated by Laura Belg, won by Elizabeth Klein.

Class Race No. 4—First prize, White Sox necktie, donated by Mrs. A. Belg, won by Henry Buchman; second prize, knife, donated by Mrs. A. Belg, won by Harry Herman.

No. 7, girls 7 years and under—Doll, donated by Mrs. A. Belg.

No. 8, boys 7 years and under—Knife, donated by Mrs. A. Belg.

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