

# DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER

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## CONCERT BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR.

The following program will be rendered Thursday evening, Nov. 19th, 1908, by the choir of the First Baptist church of this village. After weeks of careful preparation there is no doubt as to the capability of the choir to make each number absorbingly interesting, and a most cordial invitation is extended to the music loving public to be present at this concert:

- PART I.
1. Piano duet (a) Polonaise.....
  1. Chorus—The Miller's Wooding.....
  2. Chorus—The Miller's Wooding.....
  2. Chorus—The Miller's Wooding.....
  3. Solo—Barque of Dreams.....
  3. Solo—Barque of Dreams.....
  4. Reading—The Old Man and Jim.....
  4. Reading—The Old Man and Jim.....
  5. Quartet—Jack and Jill.....
  5. Quartet—Jack and Jill.....
  6. Violin solo—Fifth Air Variations.....
  6. Violin solo—Fifth Air Variations.....
  7. Chorus—Little Jack Horner.....
  7. Chorus—Little Jack Horner.....
- PART II.
8. Quartet—Mighty Lak' a Rose.....
  8. Quartet—Mighty Lak' a Rose.....
  9. Solo—Heart's Delight.....
  9. Solo—Heart's Delight.....
  10. Reading—Lord Dundreary's Letter.....
  10. Reading—Lord Dundreary's Letter.....
  11. Corset solo—(a) The Bosomy.....
  11. Corset solo—(a) The Bosomy.....
  12. Chorus—Gloria from the Twelfth Mass.....
  12. Chorus—Gloria from the Twelfth Mass.....

## YOU REMEMBER!

**43 Years Ago This Month.**  
The directors of this school district met according to previous appointment at the store of John Stanley in said district. The president, Charles Curtis, in the chair. It was unanimously resolved, that Capt. Theodore S. Rogers be employed as a teacher of the school in this district for the term of three months, commencing November 27, 1865, at a salary of forty dollars per month. (See contract.)

Resolved, That a tax of two per cent be levied on all the taxable property of this district for building school house and other school purposes during the year ending October 1, 1865.

On motion this meeting adjourned, at the call of the president. District No. 2, Township 28, Du Page County, November 8, 1865.

**JOHN A. THATCHER.**  
Clerk.

## REV. E. L. PRESCOTT RESIGNS.

The members of the First Baptist Church were greatly surprised at the close of last Sunday morning's service, when the pastor's letter of resignation was tendered, such resignation to take effect the last Sunday in December, 1908. Their surprise, however, was not greater than their grief at even a contemplation of the loss of so beloved a pastor, so kind a friend and so noble a citizen.

At the following Wednesday evening prayer service a more complete statement concerning this resignation was made, and as the step was taken only to continue the work for a time, as his health has been failing since January last. It was by unanimous vote declared that the church could not accept of this resignation, but a leave of absence was granted for three months during which time Mr. Prescott will join in the sunny South among the pine trees of North Carolina.

M. E. Puffer, M. D., physician and surgeon, 78 East Curtis street. Hours: daily after 4:30 p. m., except Saturday 2:30 to 4:30 p. m., and Sundays 9:30 to 11:30 a. m. Other hours by appointment, phone 1132. Chicago, five southwest corner Madison street and Western avenue. Hours: 12:30 to 2:30 p. m. daily except Saturday. Phone West 1517.

The Russians invented wood paving for streets.

## DOWNERS GROVE ATHLETIC CLUB.

The new athletic club organized by Walter Baker has leased the building on North Main street formerly occupied by Edgeworth the photographer. The building will be thoroughly outfitted and equipped with a full line of athletic apparatus, such as dumb bells, Indian clubs, horizontal and parallel bars, and other paraphernalia. Membership fees are \$1.00 for men, and monthly dues of 50 cents, and 50 cents for boys under 16, with monthly dues of 25 cents.

The club at present has eighteen members enrolled. The club will be open to members every evening. Tuesdays and Fridays will be reserved for boys under 16.

Any surplus money will be used for the purpose of buying new apparatus. Business meetings on the first Monday of each month.

This club will fill a long-felt want in the village, and should be liberally patronized.

## THANKSGIVING DAY ROAD RACE.

A short Marathon foot race is being arranged by the Young Men's Club of Hinsdale, the Downers Grove A. C. and the La Grange A. C.

The start will be at 11 o'clock a. m. from the Downers Grove depot, through Hinsdale, and the finish will be at Fifth avenue, La Grange. La Grange and Hinsdale will be well represented. Up to date Downers has three entries. Any one wishing to take part can apply to Walter Baker for particulars.

He would be pleased to hear from owners of automobiles who would accompany the contestants to cheer them on their way and render any assistance necessary. The finish will likely be about 12:30. The names and number of the contestants will appear in next week's issue.

The Mohawk basketball team connected with the Congregational Sunday School of Downers Grove have entered the North Shore division of Bible Class League of Chicago. Their season's schedule of fifteen weeks will begin Saturday evening, Nov. 21. This is a new team locally, but was very favorably commented upon by their opponents.

The first United Presbyterian team of Chicago, which they won by a score of 22 to 6, and we believe that the boys will be begripped before the season is over in a very satisfactory fashion. The boys will no doubt uphold the reputation of Downers Grove for producing first-class athletes. On next Saturday evening the Mohawks will play the Christian Temple team from Chicago at the Auditorium. Let everyone turn out and give our boys a good sendoff in their last game here before their season opens in the city.

## PRIZES FOR BOWLING.

The Athletic Association have now on exhibition in the Curtis street show window of Bush & Simons's drug store two beautiful silver trophies, which they will present to the lady and gentleman making the best record for bowling on the alleys of the association during the season of 1908-9.

These prizes are open to residents of Downers Grove only, and the lady will be required to bowl 100 games, and the gentleman 150 games, during the season, to be eligible for the prizes, which, before presentation, will be engraved with the name of the winner and particulars of the contest.

The average for the bowlers for the week ending Wednesday evening, Nov. 11, is as follows:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| L. Gerwig.....     | 181 |
| L. B. Binning..... | 177 |
| James Burns.....   | 169 |
| A. A. Topp.....    | 164 |
| Dr. Corey.....     | 162 |
| H. Pletcher.....   | 162 |
| C. A. Walter.....  | 161 |
| C. H. Dicke.....   | 158 |
| A. Smith.....      | 158 |
| G. Reuss.....      | 142 |
| E. Bronson.....    | 126 |

The above averages are arrived at by dividing the total number of pins made by the total number of games played. Hereafter we will publish the total number of games bowled by each of the bowlers.

The records of the ladies will be given in the next issue, and we will publish the averages every week until the close of the contest.

In addition to the above, first and second prizes are offered every week for the bowler making the largest score of games over 200 pins only.

## MINSTREL SHOW.

The directors of the Athletic Association have made arrangements to hold a minstrel show in the near future, and Mr. Edwin J. W. Deitz will manage the entertainment, which will be given on two evenings.

Local talent, composed of ladies and gentlemen, will be used exclusively, and it is anticipated that this will be the greatest show ever given in Downers Grove.

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## LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Contributions are being received for the Library Association. A check for five dollars accompanied the following letter, was received last week from Mr. T. S. Baldwin. The check was for \$5.00, and was accompanied by a letter of appreciation and a check for \$5.00. The check was for \$5.00, and was accompanied by a letter of appreciation and a check for \$5.00.

Mrs. J. C. White, Downers Grove, Ill., has sent the following check for \$5.00, made payable to the Library Association, for her subscription for that amount.

It gives me great pleasure to be of this small assistance to the association, the ladies of which are doing a noble work for which the village should render them sincere thanks and every possible assistance.

I know of no small library in the United States wherein the books have been better selected, or the views of the viewpoints of literary excellence, interest, variety and value.

Yours truly,  
T. S. BALDWIN.

The ladies of the Congregational Aid Society will hold their regular meeting Thursday afternoon, Nov. 19th, at 1:30 in the parlors of the church. Mrs. Samuel Johnston and Mrs. A. Weiss will be hostesses and they will be pleased to see every member of the society in attendance. This is the first meeting in these rooms and they have been so nicely redecorated and made comfortable.

There is urgent need of a good attendance, because of the work that must be finished. Also the final arrangements made for the sale Dec. 3rd.

Remember the sale which will be held in the church parlors. There will be a great variety of dry goods and aprons suitable for Christmas presents; also bakery Dec. 3d. Doors open at 10:30 a. m.

## Among the Churches

—Christian Science. Service will meet at Modaf's hall Sunday, Nov. 15, at 11 a. m. High mass Sunday, Nov. 15, at 10:30 a. m. Pastor J. A. Bollinger.

—German Lutheran Congregational Church. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at the church, 34 West Lake street.

—Sweethill B. R. and Bible class at 8 o'clock; preaching at 9:30, 54 Foote St., every Sunday afternoon.

—Congregational Church—Morning service at 10:30 a. m., theme, "Contempt of Goodness." Sunday school at 12:30 m. Men's and Women's Bible Classes, C. E. at 6:30. Evening service at 7:30, theme, "The Graciousness of God." This is the first of a series of these sermons on "God." Good music at all the services. You are welcome.

—Baptist Church—At the morning service at 10:45 the pastor, B. L. Prescott, will preach, subject of sermon, "The Parting of the Ways." Sunday school at 12:30 m. R. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. At 7:30 the evening service. Mr. O. S. Edwards, of Chicago, will tell the audience about the "New Men's Movement." Everybody invited to these services.

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## DISCOURSE ON LAW.

Judge Newcomer, of the Municipal Court of Chicago, will deliver an address on the enforcement of the law at the M. E. church Tuesday, November 17th, at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the Men's Bible Class of the Sunday school.

Dr. F. J. Corey has taken my office and will practice medicine in Downers Grove during my absence. I hope my patrons and friends of the past twenty years may see fit to extend to him their patronage. W. A. TOPE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

## BETTER SERVICE AT LAUNDRY.

The I. X. L. Laundry is fitting up some new machinery. In a few days will be in better shape to handle rough dry washings. Respectfully yours, J. J. SULLIVAN, 114 So. Main. Phone 603.

## SPECIAL RATES FOR CORN SHOW.

Reads Prepare to Handle Thousands of Visitors.

Interurban Sets Pace With Rate of One and One-Quarter Per Cent and the Steam Roads Follow With a Proper Reduction.

Following the initiative set them by the Illinois Traction System in announcing a fare of one and one-quarter cents a mile from all points of their system to persons desiring to attend the state corn exposition, to be held in Springfield Nov. 23-28, inclusive, the steam lines have gotten busy and have announced that they will give a fare of one and one-half cents for territory in their lines within a radius of 100 miles of Springfield.

The rate on the steam lines goes into effect on Monday, Nov. 23, and will continue in force up to and including Monday, Nov. 30.

## RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Whereas, by order of our Divine Commander, our comrade, George E. Downer, has crossed the river to join the grand encampment on that farther shore, and whereas, we as his comrades miss him from our ranks and realize and mourn his absence, yet we know that "He doeth all things well," and that in that better land we shall some time stand with ranks unbroken; therefore be it

Resolved, That we as comrades of Naper Post, do hereby tender to his widow and fatherless children our deepest sympathy for them in their loneliness and sorrow.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Post and a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

Good night, old friend, but not to thee. Beyond the azure dome, Thy kindly soul in glorification, Hath found its everlasting home. There at the banquet table, They greet thee in the light of heaven.

NAPER POST, G. E. R. Downers Grove, Ill.

## Local Happenings

—Sweet cider at F. Gerwig's.

—Do not miss the local news on pages 2 and 5.

—Celebrated New York beer for sale by M. E. Stanger.

—Mrs. N. E. Pierce is visiting in her old home in Ohio.

—Mrs. Alfred Straube was a visitor in the village last week.

—Go to J. Klein for Alford's butterine, best on the market.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ely, of La Grange, spent Tuesday in our village.

—Mrs. A. E. Olson is entertaining Mrs. Johnson, of Geneseo, Ill.

—Mrs. Alice from the city spent a few days with Mrs. Ballard Waples.

—Stated communication of Grove Lodge No. 824, A. F. & A. M. to-night.

—Miss Alice Moran of Chicago visited with Mrs. B. C. White over Sunday.

—Mrs. Fannie Jones, of Sandwich, is visiting with Mrs. Waples at her home on Prince avenue.

—Mr. G. P. Greenwood is in Nebraska attending the funeral of his mother, who died in Omaha.

—Logan Stanley, Alice Bateman and Hope Norton have all been nursing severe colds.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gools of Downers Grove attended a meeting in the city last Wednesday.

—Miss Ella Wolf and Mrs. Elna Ebert of La Grange spent Sunday at St. Paul with Miss Marie Young.

—Beef at reduced price in quantity of by the quarter. I. Klein.

—Mrs. S. E. Irwin and Mrs. Edwin Wilbard were visitors at Mrs. C. B. Blodgett's last week.

—Mrs. Elbert Stanley entertained Dr. Harriet Mitchell and Dr. McCloud, both of South Chicago, on Sunday last.

—Donald and Dorothy Towseley have been ill with gripe, but both are recovering.

—Mrs. Curtis and her sister who is visiting her from Lincoln, entertained company from Hinsdale on Tuesday.

—Phone 564, Reporter office. All news items must be in this office Wednesday evening at the latest.

—Go to Mochel & McCabe for Beech Nut goods, jams, jellies, ketchups, beans, bacon and peanut butter.

—D. H. Uphorn and his two boys left for Kettle Falls and other Washington points last week. They expect to be gone three or four weeks.

—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Keist of Hyde

## IMPRESSIONS OF LOS ANGELES AND VICINITY

Having been a resident of "Sunny Southern California" for the past six months, I venture to note briefly a few impressions that have been gathered. Possibly they will be of interest to Reporter readers, many of whom have never had the opportunity to visit this veritable "land of promise."

At first it was feared that the heat during the the summer months would be so great as to make work inside an office unbearable. However, the contrary has been found true, for while it is often very warm at noon, there is generally a breeze blowing from the ocean, and really the heat is not noticed here as much as it is in Chicago.

The nights are always delightfully cool and a blanket is not uncomfortable at any time of the year. Owing to the cool nights, the absence of the mosquito is much enjoyed. Screened porches are therefore not a necessity.

It is seldom anyone is heard to remark, "Isn't this a beautiful day?" for the days are so constantly beautiful it would be necessary to make this statement almost every day. In 1907 the records show that the sun shows here 83 per cent of the time possible for it to shine. The average temperature for the different seasons is, winter 55, spring 60, summer 70, and autumn 65—making the yearly average 62. It is generally known how profusely the flowers grow here. Geraniums grow as high as six or eight feet, whereas in the East we care for them in little pots. Flowers are blooming practically all the time. Strawberries can be procured almost any time of year for about five cents a box, and there is always some new variety of fruit just coming on the market.

To sum up, this climate seems to be about as near ideal as mortal man can ask for. In view of this fact many people come here to enjoy the benefits of the climate and are therefore willing to work for "starvation wages" in order to stay. Consequently good positions are a scarce article, and positions of any kind are few and far between. Mechanics and other skilled tradesmen are in great demand and are well paid for their services.

Visitors are always impressed with the fine car service which this city has, and especially the interurban trolley system. It is truly par-excellent. The city cars are up-to-date, clean and run often and fast. Of the interurban lines, the cars frequently go at the rate of sixty miles per hour. There are many beautiful places to go on these lines that are not more than an hour's ride from the city. There are at least a dozen different beaches and in addition to them, there are several inland trips toward the mountains and some to the mountains. The writer has been all over the city with James Gumbrell, the veteran traveler, and has also taken a great many little trips outside the city. I doubt if there is another city in the country where people ride for the sake of riding, more than they do in Los Angeles.

It is no wonder that people who have lived here for any length of time swear by Los Angeles, and want to remain here.

FRANKLIN G. HULING.


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