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## A CALIFORNIA PARADOX

James Gumbrell and Franklin and John Huling spent Nov. 20 (Thanksgiving Day) with Fred Alford and his folks, at their home in Ontario, Cal. This is one of the prettiest little towns in southern California, and is located about thirty-five miles from Los Angeles. It seems that almost every available foot of space in Ontario is planted with orange trees. John Huling and Fred Alford have closely allied interests here. En route the boys passed through mile after mile of groves of ripening oranges—many of them growing very close to the track.

Frequently postal cards are sent back East showing orange groves with beautiful snow-capped mountains lying just beyond. But one has to see such a scene in order to appreciate its grandeur. This view appears more extraordinary when it is remembered that oranges cannot grow where there is the slightest frost. However, as strange as it may seem, such is often the case. An instance of this kind is known as "A California Paradox." Of course, the snow is a great distance up from where the oranges are growing.

Upon arrival at the Alford home-keepers were given for Downers Grove. A sumptuous dinner was served by Mrs. Alford and daughter Etta, and then the boys went up on a single track trolley to the foot of the mountains, seven miles distant. When train time came the day was declared to have been a memorable one.

### THE BABY.

- Who makes a stairway of your toes? The baby.
- Who musses all your Sunday clothes? The baby.
- Who pulls your hair and twists your nose? The baby.
- Who while he jumps and laughs and crows? The baby.
- Who thinks of funny things galore? The baby.
- Yet never, never is a bore? The baby.
- Who, toddling there upon the floor, Just makes you love him more and more? The baby.
- Whose every absence makes you start? The baby.
- Who, of your heart is very part? The baby.
- Who rules you with despotic art, The while he steals away your heart? The baby.



Walter Jasper Hanson, in his race for Coroner of Du Page County, didn't create much of a stir, but Walter Jasper was not born to grace the noble office of Coroner—not he. Watch him on the end at the Minstrel Show—that's the place for Walter Jasper.

Tickets for the Minstrel Show Jan. 14 and 16 will be on sale at the drug stores on Saturday, Dec. 5. All seats reserved, and the prices are 75 cents and 50 cents. If you desire seats and have not time to go for them, telephone Mr. McKeever, manager of the Association rooms, telephone No. 902, and he will send the tickets to you by messenger, who will also collect. No standing room tickets will be sold under any conditions, and those who desire to attend the show should secure seats early.

In selecting talent for the Minstrel Show, Mr. Daniels informs us that he has made several distinct "finds," and that he will surprise the audiences with some of the acts he is now arranging.

The stage of Dirke's Hall will be enlarged to accommodate the Minstrel Show, which will require seating capacity for thirty-five people.

Messrs. James Burns and Alonzo P. Daniels will be interlocutors for the Minstrel Show. That's certainly a good pair to draw to.

The man who suggested that Walter Jasper Hanson run for Coroner of Du Page County had no conception of the eternal fitness of things. There is nothing gloomy about Walter Jasper. Wait till you see him "on the end" at the Minstrel Show.

Master Robert Mounteer won't tell what he is going to do, but he is making numerous visits to the Daniels residence, and when we asked Mr. Daniels what he was going to do with the boy he smiled and said, "You just wait and see."

## SUDDEN DEATH OF L. M. HICKOX.

The family and friends of Mr. Marshall Hickox and, in fact, the entire community, were greatly shocked early Saturday morning, Nov. 28, by the intelligence that he had died suddenly in the union depot at Chicago. Conjecturing rumors as to what had occurred were in circulation and for some hours there was much uncertainty. A phone message from his wife to Mrs. Parker, their nearest neighbor, announcing his death, summoned his son Charlie to the city.

Mr. Hickox with his wife and youngest child had spent Thanksgiving visiting with friends in Michigan. They left Downers Grove the previous Wednesday evening, returning on the following Saturday. They reached Chicago over the Walshaw railroad at 7:30 a. m., took the car at 12th street to State and Adams and walked from that point to the union depot and took the 8:30 train for home. He seemed in his usual health, but had complained of a slight indigestion. They boarded the cars a few minutes before time of leaving and he complained of the great heat in the car as he entered, which, perhaps, was more noticeable to him after the brisk walk to the depot. He had been in the car but a few minutes when he suddenly threw up his hands and gasped for breath. His wife was immediately at his side and instantly called for help. The momentary thought was that he had simply fainted. An officer of the company had him removed quickly into the open air and medical aid was summoned, but he never came to. It is believed that he had died while on the car. How true it is that in the midst of life we are in death. An inquest was held under the direction of the railway authorities. An undertaker was summoned and the body well cared for. The remains arrived at Downers Grove on the 4:07 p. m. train and were taken at once to the home.

Libeus Marshall Hickox was born on March 7, 1850, in Sharon, O. He was the youngest of a family of five children and lived with his parents in Glendale, O., until he became of age. Soon after he came to Chicago and was employed by the Marshall Field Co. Later he worked for the Rock Island railroad as a billing clerk, but for the last few years had been in the service of the Burlington Railroad Company. He was married to Miss Nellie H. Carby in Chicago on Feb. 11, 1891, who now with her three children, Charles, Lottie and little John are greatly bereaved and deeply mourn the loss of husband and father.

Nearly two years ago he suffered from a cold which formed in the ankle that seriously crippled him and eventually necessitated the amputation of his left foot. This undoubtedly weakened the action of his heart and so lessened his power of resistance to what was probably an acute attack of indigestion. Mr. Hickox united with the South Park Methodist Episcopal church in Chicago and transferred his membership to Downers Grove church with his change of residence. He was an active member of the Men's Bible Class.

Funeral services were conducted in the home by Pastor Farinole, assisted by Rev. Allingham on Monday afternoon, Nov. 30. The services were largely attended and floral tributes from the employees in the Burlington office and other friends testified to their kindly regard and respect for the deceased. The pallbearers were selected three from the church and three from the office. The remains were interred in the Oakwood cemetery.

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## DEATH OF MRS. LOUISE BUNGE.

Mrs. Christine Louise Bunge, wife of Carl Bunge, passed away at 7 a. m. Thursday, Dec. 1st, after a brief illness of only two days. She died after a short service at the home of the Rev. Merbach the body was taken to Ke-wanaw, Ill., for interment.

Mrs. Bunge was born in Wittenburg, Province of Brandenburg, Germany, on the 9th day of October, 1832, and came to this country with her husband and family in 1872, settling near Ke-wanaw in Henry County, Illinois. During the past six years she and her husband have made their home in Downers Grove. She was the mother of ten children, three of whom preceded her in death and seven surviving her. At her bedside when the sad summons came were her daughter, Marie, Marie Quart and Mrs. Louise Witt of Ke-wanaw, Mrs. Hattie Bunge and her sons, G. H. Bunge and Carl Bunge of Downers Grove. Charles and Fred Bunge of Neligh, Neb., also arrived about an hour after she had peacefully passed away.

### Among the Churches

—Christian Science church will meet at Mochel'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. Bollman.

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

—Swedish 8. 8. and Bible class at 3 o'clock, preaching at 3:30, Foot St., every Sunday afternoon.

Services at the Evangelical Church Sunday, Dec. 6. German preaching at 11 a. m. English preaching at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Junior Alliance meeting at 2:30 p. m. Y. P. U. meeting at 6:45. Every one is invited. J. B. TAMM, Pastor.

—Congregational church. Morning service at 10:30 a. m. The importance of Recreation in "Long Life." 8. 8. at 12. Men's and Women's Bible classes, C. E. W. Evening service at 7:30; theme, "The Justice of God." Junior G. B. Sunday at 3:45. Prayer meeting every evening at 8:00.

—Methodist Episcopal church. F. F. Farinole, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Public worship at 10:30 and 7:30. Pastor will preach both morning and evening. Sunday school at noon. Epworth League at 6:30. Evangelistic service in the evening. All are cordially invited. Junior League at 3:30 on Wednesday. Special services every evening next week.

—St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.—During the months of November, December and January, the services will be as follows: Sunday school, 10 a. m.; morning prayer, with sermon by the Rev. G. D. Adams, 11 a. m., excepting that on the first Sunday of each month there will be evening prayer at 7:30 p. m., and the morning service will be omitted. A cordial invitation to all. Strangers especially welcome.

—Baptist church. The pastor, R. L. Prescott, will preach morning and evening. At the morning hour a short sermon, subject, "What Constitutes a Christian?" This will be followed by the Lord's supper. Sunday school at 12 m. Come and join the ranks of this rapidly growing school. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. This will be a helpful meeting. Subject of evening sermon, "Caught by the Tentacles of the Octopus of Intemperance." You are invited to these services.

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## Local Happenings

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the writer, not necessarily his publication, 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.

—Sweet cider at F. Gerwig's.

—Skating is fine at the lake.

—For bowling news see page 5.

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

—See Fred Baker the jeweler for Christmas gifts.

—Look for coupon ticket of Fred Gerwig on second page.

—Swift's premium hams and bacon at Mochel & McCabe's.

—Swift's fancy creamery butter at Mochel & McCabe's.

—J. M. Clark visited his daughter, Mrs. F. I. Mason, Tuesday.

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

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hughes entertained at cards on Saturday eve.

—East Grove Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. H. C. Dexter last Wednesday.

—Inquire for lost and found articles at the Reporter office.

—Best of all flour IS THE Best of all flour. Nash sells it.

—Did you try the Oriole Prunes? Nash has them in five-pound tins.

—Pure Vermont Maple Sugar, five-pound pails, \$1.00. J. W. Nash.

—Read the new story, "A Race for a Wife," beginning this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Avery entertained friends from Chicago Monday eve.

—B. C. White's mother is slowly improving from her recent spell of sickness.

—Miss Clara Parker of Chicago was the guest of Mrs. Bauer on Saturday of last week.

—Contractor Reutledge has finished the contract for paving the south side system. "Next."

—Mrs. John Stanley and Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Graham spent Thanksgiving in Plank, Ill.

—Mrs. M. E. Collier of Maple avenue, East Grove, who has been making an extended visit with relatives in New York City, is expected home this week.

—New York Buckwheat Flour, guaranteed absolutely pure. New crop. J. W. Nash.

—Jimmy Penhony is in the hospital at Albuquerque, N. M. Reports from there say he is in bad shape.

—O. H. Granner of Cornell College is spending a few days with friends in the village. Charley is a whole-souled fellow, who makes a host of friends wherever he goes.

—Mrs. David Grant of Oak Park visited Mr. and Mrs. Sacksteder last Saturday. They also entertained the Man-

neys of La Grange and Mrs. Sacksteder's brother and family from Chicago on Thanksgiving.

—Mrs. Wilson and family will occupy the Walter Farrar home on Oakwood avenue during their absence in Grand Rapids.

—Picnic hams 10 cents per pound. Regular hams 14 and 15 cents a pound. I. Klein.

—Swift's and Armour's butterline at Mochel & McCabe's.

—Dressmaking done; good work, and satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. Clark, 135 North Foote street.

—Canned goods, Richelieu brand, corn, peas, salmon, spinach, beets, lima beans and succotash by the can or case. I. Klein.

—Anyone wishing to buy large, full blooded Brown Leghorn roosters send an order to Harry E. Andrews, R. F. D. No. 3, Lemont, Ill.

—Oscar S. Howland died at Western Springs Tuesday, Dec. 1. Mr. Howland was a resident of the village some ten years ago. Burial will be at Danville, Ill.

—Go to I. Klein for Armour's but-terine, best on the market.

—In buying your Christmas presents look up our advertisers and patronize home trade, you can do just as well, and also avoid the crowded conditions of the Chicago stores.

—Do you want your water softened. No your hands won't chafe and scar, No your dishes all will shine, No your floors no shoes will mar; And your clothes, however fine, Will glisten like the snow? Then hasten to your grocer And buy some Marvello.

SALESMEN WANTED.

To introduce our New Commercial and Statistical State Chart for office and general use. The work is congenial and profitable, the earnings being according to your ability. A thorough training is given before the work is started. Hand, McNally & Co., Chicago.

Mr. J. Sullivan of the I. X. L. Laundry wishes to remind the business people that the work sent out of their weekly would give work to support three families. Does this mean more interest? It's up to the people. Yours respectfully.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Advanced styles in millinery. Miss Goodspeed, second floor Bank Building.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICES

Services by Rev. R. Allingham.

The Thanksgiving services were held this year at the Methodist Episcopal church. The children of the village were gathered from the various Sunday schools and rendered the hymns and song. The preacher was the Rev. R. Allingham, pastor of the Congregational church. The preacher in the course of his address said: "In compliance with the proclamation issued by our beloved prophet president, and in response to the deepest and noblest aspirations of our souls, we are gathered here today to review the manifold blessings of the past year and to thank our Great Heavenly Father for His presence and leading. Many of us have been called to travel over a pathway shaded with a variety of experiences, the pleasant things have brought us to the end of joy and comfort; and even the adversities which at the time seemed to overwhelm us and anger us and suffering and pain have since disclosed their secret and we would not for anything that they should not have come, feeling that they did their share to help in the perfecting of our character."

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### HOME DEPARTMENT.

The Home Department of the Congregational Church will hold its Christmas Social Assembly at the home of Mrs. F. H. Prince on Saturday, Dec. 12, at 2:30 p. m.

This will be the last gathering this year of the department and it is hoped that there will be a full attendance of the members. There will be a splendid musical program rendered, after which the usual social time will be spent together. Every one of the social gatherings up to this has been commending in value and helpfulness, and the superintendent will be delighted to welcome everyone to this the closing event of the first year of the department's history. Mothers with little children need not stay away as arrangements are made for careful supervision of the children during the afternoon.

### MARRIAGE OF A FORMER RESIDENT.

Miss Martha Belle Schellenberger of Rome, Ga., and Mr. Geo. Hillard, formerly of this village, were married at Rome, Ga., at the home of the bride, Tuesday, Nov. 24. The home was attractively decorated with Southern smilax, bamboo and ferns. The bride wore a bridal gown of white crepe de chine trimmed in lace and carried a large bouquet of brides' roses, with a shower of lilies of the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hillard left soon after the ceremony for Florida. After touring the South for a month they will be at home in Chicago.

How It Happened.

Jack—How did Spylow get the bum eye—football?  
Jake—No, sir. Sprained it last summer at der bathing peach.—Wisconsin Sphinx.

### CARD OF THANKS.

We herewith extend our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for their many kindnesses shown us during our late bereavement.

CARL BUNGE,  
G. H. BUNGE,  
E. E. BUNGE,  
MRS. HATTIE BITNEY.

### TIMBER SALE.

John Klinger, three and a half miles south of Lisle, one mile north of Barber's Corner, one-half mile south of Adam Kohley's farm, will sell at public auction on Thursday, Dec. 10th, commencing at 1 o'clock, ten acres of wood on the stump, subdivided into one-quarter of an acre lots.

### THE WOMAN BEAUTIFUL.

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