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THE FIREMEN'S MASQUERADE.

Friday Evening, Feb. 12, at Dicke's Hall.

The firemen's masquerade will be held on Friday evening, February 12, two weeks from tonight; they are working hard to make it a success as they need the money. The department has spent \$500 in the past year in building a meeting room and furnishing the same. The prizes to be given at the dance are the best they have ever given and well worth making an effort to win.

PRIZES.
Best group of six or more, \$10, fire department.
Best dressed lady, silk umbrella, fire department.
Best dressed gent, silk umbrella, fire department.
Flower girl, \$300 cake, Wallberg & Herman.
Topsy, \$1.50, fire department.
Dutchman, 1 set of screw drivers.
Dutch girl, bottle perfume, Modaff's Pharmacy.
Most comical lady, carpet sweeper, Mertz & Mochel.
Tramp, ham, L. Klein.
Best clown, box cigars, J. W. Nash.

TAX COLLECTOR NOTICE.

The undersigned will be at Plevka & McDougall's hardware store on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 26 and 27, and on each Tuesday and Wednesday thereafter until March 2nd and 3rd, for the purpose of collecting and receiving the personal and general taxes for 1908. Early payment is requested. Personal tax cannot be returned delinquent. EDW. F. NEIDIG, Collector.

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. Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago.

CLOSING OUT.

Millinery—Closing out all the best trimmed hats at \$3.50, \$3.00 each. Miss Goodspeed, 21 floor, Bank Building.

A COUPLE OF APPRECIATIVE LETTERS.

429 North 7th St.,
Vandalia, Ill., Jan. 25, 1909.
Mr. C. H. Staats, Downers Grove, Ill.

Dear Sir—Enclosed please find \$10.00 for the Reporter to 1910. I enjoy reading the paper since you have charge of it. Very truly,
MRS. EDYTHE V. EMMEL.

Mr. C. H. Staats:

Dear Sir—At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Congregational Church it was unanimously voted that the secretary write you extending their appreciation of the generous treatment accorded the church through the columns of the "Reporter." We are not forgetful of the fact that you have added us in no small way. And to further show our appreciation of you, we enclose a check. Wishing you every success, yours very sincerely,
SAM'L JOHNSTONE,
Secretary of Board of Trustees First Congregational Church.

BASKET BALL.

Last Saturday night, January 23d, Downers Grove and Naperville fought one of the most thrilling and exciting battles of basket ball ever seen on the home floor. From the start of the game and until the referee's whistle called time at the end of the last half, the game was bitterly fought.

The advantage first was with the home boys, then with Naperville, so often that the home team could hardly tell which side they were cheering for, so they rooted and hooped all the time.

The first half Naperville won by the score of 18 to 15. In the last half the Downers boys showed that fighting spirit that has made them win their last ten games, and the crown of victory almost within the grasp of Naperville was rudely snatched away; the final score being Downers Grove 36, Naperville 29. Carlson and Torrey did the star work for the locals.

The line-up was as follows:
DOWNERS GROVE. NAPERVILLE.
Torrey.....F.....Schommer
Wells.....L.....Yost
Carlson.....C.....Berger
Winter.....E.....Smith
O'Mara.....F.....Keller
Allison.....T.....G.

Baskets—Torrey, 5; Carlson, 6; Wells, 3; Winter, 1; Allison, 1; Schommer, 3; Yost, 4; Smith, 1; Free through—Schommer, 9; Torrey, 4; Wells, 3.

HONOR THE VETERANS.

Capt. Geo. A. Bender, of the 105th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, has offered the Board of Supervisors the statue of a soldier, for a monument to be erected in the court house square at Wheaton. If the supervisors will erect a base for the same.

This is a laudable undertaking and should have the support and approval of all patriotic citizens of Du Page County.

The boys who answered their country's call in the hour of need deserve having a memorial built commemorating their deeds of heroism and sacrifice in answering the call to arms of President Lincoln to make our country in fact as well as in name a free and united nation.

Let us honor them while we may, and urge the board to accept this offer and build a substantial and lasting memorial to the members of the 105th Illinois Volunteers.

Among the Churches

—Christian Science church will meet at Modaff's hall Sunday at 11 a. m.

—St. Joseph's Parish, Mass at 9:30 a. m., High mass first Sunday of month, Pastor J. A. Bollman.

—Swedish E. S. and Bible class at 3 o'clock, preaching at 3:30, 54 Foote St., every Sunday afternoon.

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

—Mr. Phillips, at the Baptist Church, will have as his morning subject, "A Man With a Vision." In the evening he will give his second address on "Living Lessons from Ancient Lives," his subject being "Playing the Fool (Saul)."

—Methodist Episcopal Church: Class meeting at 9:30 a. m., Sunday school at 10:30 and 7:30. Public school at 12:45 noon. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Junior League meets Wednesday afternoon at 3:30. General prayer meeting in the evening. You are invited. F. F. Farnham, Pastor.

—Services at the Evangelical Church Sunday, Jan. 31, 1909. The pastor will preach in the German language at 11 a. m. In the evening the President, Rev. H. B. Rilling, will preach in the English language, Sunday School at 10 a. m. Junior meeting at 2:30 and Senior Alliance at 6:45 p. m. Every one is welcome.

—Congregational Church: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m., Sunday school at 12:45. The Men's Class meets at the Public Library, Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Evening worship at 7:30. The pastor will preach at all services. A hearty welcome is extended to all who have no particular church preference to worship with us.

—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.

THIMBLE BEE.

The "thimble bee" given by the work committee of the Baptist Ladies' Aid Society, was well attended in spite of the inclement weather, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. A short program was given and luncheon was served during the afternoon. Mrs. Yost read two letters which she had received acknowledging the receipt of three barrels of clothing which the ladies of the Home Missionary Society sent out. One to the colored school in the South and two to the Cook County Hospital. The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held next week, Friday, February 5th, at 2 o'clock, in the church parlors. All the ladies of the church should be present and help plan the work for the coming year.

WANTED.

Those interested to know that this is the most favorable time to have their catch basins looked after. A stitch in time saves nine, so by having yours cleaned and repaired now you may avoid a clogged up sewer, also a heavy bill of expense. Please leave order with Frankenhof, Plumber, South Main street, Phone No. 724. No charge for inspection.

PIANO PLAYING TECHNICAL AND ARTISTIC.

Arthur E. Fisher is in Downers Grove every Friday, and can take two more pupils. Apply at the Downers Grove Reporter office, or address 512 Kimball Hall, Chicago.

POPULAR AFTERNOON TEAS.

The third of the series of afternoon teas, under the auspices of the Woman's Club, for the benefit of our schools, will be given on Friday afternoon, Feb. 5, at the home of Mrs. Robert W. Plummer, corner of Linscott and Prairie avenues. Hostesses to be Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. Knox and Mrs. Dougherty.

FROM THE SOUTHERN SOUTH.

26 Starnes Avenue, Asheville, N. C., Jan. 25, 1909.

Dear Brother Phillips—It is altogether too pleasant to stay in the house this morning, so I am going to write this letter sitting on the front porch of the house where we are stopping. We are having the finest weather I have ever seen this time of the year. I might almost say, "I have never seen this weather before." It has been cold enough twice since we have been here. Freeze the ground. We had a rainy spell of a few days, but now it is so beautiful that it cannot be improved. I don't know what we may get, but I am going to enjoy what we have to the limit. It is a little discouraging for bicycling here; it is so hilly. In spite of this, I do considerable. This afternoon I am planning to ride into the country to see some of Mrs. Ann's friends. Day before yesterday one of the deacons of the First Baptist Church took me to the top of one of the mountains. It is not fifteen miles high, but pretty well up. It is about a mile in a straight line to the top, but it required three miles of driving to get there. From the top there was a magnificent view. Back over the city was fine, but down the valley on the other side entirely captivated me. Away beyond the valley was another range of mountain peaks. The city itself is away up in the air 2,200 feet above sea level. It is surrounded with mountains. One thinks of what the psalmist said: "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem," etc. It was a sight I shall not soon forget.

Yesterday another deacon took Mrs. Prescott in a fine carriage over the Vanderbilt estate. It was a ten-mile drive. My limited vocabulary will not permit me to attempt a description of this. Of course, we did not go over the whole estate. This consists of 150,000 acres. For the improvement of this \$10,000,000 has been expended. The house, if I am not call it such, cost \$4,000,000. Miles of drives, costing \$5,000 to the mile, have been constructed. Numerous lakes, the work of the landscape gardener, with millions of trees planted and various flowering shrubs along the drives is a small part of what has been undertaken and accomplished.

A dairy with hundreds of Jersey cows, a chicken farm consisting of what I should judge a hundred acres of land, and villages of houses for the tenants form a part of the plantation going on at the present time. More than a hundred men are now employed on the estate.

There is no use of my attempting a description of the house. It looks more like our ideas of an old castle than a house. It has a complete water system, getting its supply from mountain springs miles away. It has also large greenhouses for the cultivation of flowers and everything else you can think of necessary or otherwise.

You may be interested in knowing that I am getting stronger. I can see quite a difference since coming here. I hope and expect to be quite well by the time we get ready to go home. Yours in Christian Love,
B. L. PRESBYOTT.

With the Fraternities

Mrs. J. C. White has been appointed as grand lecturer in the ritualistic work of the O. E. S. of Illinois. Vesta Chapter may well feel proud of their sister member, who has been honored in several instances by the Grand Chapter.

The annual installation of the officers of the Ladies of the Macabees was held in Modaff's hall Friday evening, with visiting members from Chicago and Hinsdale. The exercises were conducted by State Deputy Mrs. Mary Manning, according to the new ritualistic work. The young ladies acting as guards did their work in a most suitable manner, and were certainly accorded praise for their efficient services. The Lady Commander, Miss Cora C. Blodgett, whose faithful services have been most heartily appreciated by her co-laborers, was presented with a beautiful emblematic gold locket and chain, and for the faithful attendance to duty and services rendered Mrs. George Heintz was given a cut glass dish. Two years without missing one meeting is the record of Mrs. Heintz. Much praise is due the committee in whose hands the delicate repast was prepared and served. The organization is in a thorough, wide-awake condition, adding members and strength to the order each month of the year and extending material aid and sympathy to its members whenever duty demands. This is a fraternal organization of ladies, carrying insurance in one of the noblest organizations in the United States.

BAPTIST CHOIR ENTERTAINED.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood recently entertained the Baptist choir and a few friends at their home on East Maple avenue.

After a short rehearsal several solos were rendered by Miss Edna Smith and Mr. Duthie. They were then invited to the dining room, where a dainty lunch was served.

The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games, and the party departed feeling they had enjoyed a pleasant and profitable evening with their esteemed leader and his wife.

THE DEATH OF MRS. MARY A. BENTLEY

Mrs. Mary A. Bentley, affectionately known among her friends and neighbors as Grandma Bentley, died Tuesday morning, January 26th, at 10:30 o'clock. She has been gradually failing since Christmas, and died of a general breaking down of her system and weakness incidental to old age, tenderly cared for and watched over by her son and other relatives and friends. Funeral services will be held at the home, 56 Saratoga avenue, Friday morning at 9:30, and will be conducted by the Rev. Farmloe. The funeral party will leave on the 11:17 train for the city. Interment will be at Oakwood cemetery, where she will be laid to rest beside the body of her husband, who died in 1890.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mary A. Bentley (ne Smock) was born near Indianapolis, Ind., the 15th of May, 1828, and married Geo. B. Bentley. In 1886 they came to Chicago, where they resided until after the death of Mr. Bentley in 1890, when Mrs. Bentley and her family moved to Downers Grove. She leaves to mourn her loss two sons, W. C. Bentley and Ed Bentley, and one daughter, Mrs. W. H. Lewis, of New Orleans, and three grandchildren, besides numerous friends and acquaintances.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The Woman's Club met at the Masonic room, January 26th, on Friday. Mrs. Minnie Prince read a paper, "Jean Francois Millet," which was most instructive and entertaining.

The second paper, by Mrs. J. H. Lipsey, was a sketch of peasant life in France, and was very interesting.

The third and last paper, by Mrs. C. F. Davis, upon "French Landscape and Marine Painters," told in a splendid manner of the origin, customs and characteristics of these great artists.

Miss Blumson accompanied Mr. L. Sacksteder, the popular violinist, who was heartily applauded for his excellent playing.

Local Happenings

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be sent to the editor, not necessarily in 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.

—For bowling news see page 5.
BEST of all FLOUR is BEST
New York Sweet Cider at Stanger's.

—Mrs. D. K. Foote is spending some time in the village.
—Mrs. Rex Hawkins entertained at cards last Thursday.

—The Illustrated lecture on Japan netted the school \$20.00.
—Mrs. A. Atwood spent several weeks at Remington, Ind.

—Miss Ella Riel entertained company from Evanston on Sunday.
—Connecticut oysters at Mochel & McTab's, 40 cents a quart.

—Mrs. Graves entertained the thimble club Wednesday afternoon.
—Miss T. D. Aldrich was a visitor at her brother's home last Sunday.

—Magie City Picnic, put up in Mason jars, 15 cents a quart, at Gerwig's.
—Mr. and Mrs. John Pratt of Chicago spent Sunday in Downers Grove.

—Mrs. Grace Dewey of Chicago visited friends in the village on Tuesday last.

—Do not fail to hear Dr. Monroe Markley at the auditorium, Saturday night.

—Dressmaking, plain and fancy sewing. Mrs. H. F. Ware, 163 North Main street.

Plenty of time to attend the lecture of the entertainment course after the supper.

—Mr. and Mrs. Norton entertained Mr. Phillips of the Baptist church on Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. P. Johnson's daughter Edna is suffering from a bad sore throat.

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

—Use Rexall Cherry Juice to cure that cold, 45c a bottle, at Modaff's Pharmacy.

—Mrs. J. H. Griffiths and Mrs. Statton visited the electrical show in the Coliseum.
—Mrs. and Miss Huntington of Ravenswood were guests of Mrs. Berner last week.
—Mrs. M. D. Hopt of Hammond, Ind., visited at the home of Mrs. Tyler on Oakwood.

team. If they have a good, first-class team there, we would like to see them in action, and will have no excuses to offer if we are beaten.

—Mr. John Harthon, of Douglas Park, has rented the Fisher property and moved into the house Tuesday.

—Ask your neighbor what she thinks of Marvello Water Softener. Ten cents a package at your grocer's.

—Call at the studio of Miss Drought in Modaff's Hall any Tuesday afternoon and have your voice tried free of charge.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Straube, who expected to be home about Feb. 1st, will be delayed about a month to Mexico.

—Sound oak wood delivered at six dollars a cord; sawed in stove lengths, \$7.00. A. B. Austin Nursery Co. Phone 254.

—Mrs. Martin White, who has undergone a severe operation at the Post graduate Hospital in Chicago, is doing nicely.

—Pump frankfurters, piping hot, at the "Deutsch" supper, in the basement of the Episcopal church, Saturday evening, January 30th.

—Mr. Harthon and family are occupying the home of G. A. Fisher, on Oakwood avenue. Mr. Harthon is a conductor on the C. & G.

—Mrs. G. H. Bunge was the guest of Mrs. Thorpe of Congress Park Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Thorpe entertained twenty ladies at cards.

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

—The ladies of the Episcopal church will serve a "Deutsch" supper in the church parlors Saturday evening, January 30th, from 5:30 till 8 o'clock.

—The fourth annual meeting of the Illinois Farmers' Institute and Department of Household Science will be held at Rockford, Feb. 24 and 25th.

—Mrs. Nellie Moor entertained the Philathea social committee at her home last Tuesday evening. A pleasant evening was spent by all present.

—"In what sense are all Christians on trial always?" will be the discussion in the Philathea class room next Sunday at 12 o'clock. Be sure and come.

—The membership committee of the Philathea Bible class was entertained by Miss Anna Meyers at her home last Thursday evening. All report a good time.

Grove about thirty-five years ago, and

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD.

Downers Grove, Ill., Nov. 12, 1908.

The adjourned meeting from Nov. 8th was called to order by President Hughes.

Roll call noted present Trustees Dicke, Handy, Heatt, Gallup, Mabson and Severus.

Report of Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company on condition of machinery at water and light plant was read and referred to the water and light committee.

An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the Furnishing, Constructing and Laying of 'Cast Iron' Water Mains, with Hydrants and Valves and Necessary Specials in Benton Avenue, in the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois," was read. It was moved by Trustees Heatt and Mabson that ordinance be put upon its passage. Motion carried.

Said ordinance was then passed. Those voting aye were Trustees Handy, Heatt, Dicke, Gallup, Mabson and Severus. Nays none.

The matter of investigating charges against Officer Banker was then brought up, there being several witnesses present. President Hughes directed Village Attorney Bunge to conduct examination of the various witnesses. The following persons were examined by Attorney Bunge as to the charges against Officer Banker: John Leibanguth, John Leibanguth, A. C. Drew, Joseph Drew, Martha White, George Cooky, Frank Anderson, Harry Wolfersheim and Win. Deveraux.

Nearly all witnesses testified as having seen Banker drink whiskey on various occasions, and of having used harsh language numbers of times. It was moved by Trustees Handy and Severus that the matter be referred to special committee of three, to be appointed by the president to investigate charges further and make report of finding at next regular meeting. Motion carried.

President Hughes appointed Trustees Gallup, Severus and Dicke as committee. Upon proper motion board adjourned.

W. H. C. WHITE.

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Angora Spinach, per can.....	10c
Toasted Rice Biscuits, per pkg.....	10c
Walnut Meats, by the lb.....	35c
Fancy Apricots, per can.....	10c
Badger Sweet Corn, per can.....	5c
Toasted Rice Flakes, pkg.....	10c
Two Packages Seedless Raisins.....	15c
Two pounds of Fancy Peaches.....	25c
35c jar of Apple Butter.....	20c

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