

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

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Modaff, T. H. Slusser, Irving Heartt and Fred Gerwig.

Mrs. E. Hughes is going to visit friends at Cambria, Wis., next week.

Mrs. Bert C. White and her father spent Sunday with friends in Irving Park, Ill.

The Masonic school of instruction will be held at Aurora next week Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The new officers of the O. E. S. did creditable work in initiating a candidate at their meeting Tuesday evening.

Capt. Frank Slusser, of Huntington, Ind., was a visitor in the village a few days, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Bert C. White.

Geo. A. Fisher left Queen City, Mo., where he has been visiting his mother, Saturday, for Melville, Saskatchewan, to take up his duties on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad.

The tea at the home of Mrs. Plummer last Friday was a pleasant affair and all the ladies who braved the storm were repaid. The hostesses were graciously assisted by Miss Flinnday, Toppe and Brooks and Plummer. The school fund was increased by \$5.25.

Henry F. Sucher and family had a narrow escape from asphyxiation last Sunday night from gas generated in their heating stove. If Mrs. Sucher had not discovered it during the night they would probably all have been overcome; as it was, they were all more or less sick all day Monday.

Mrs. Philip H. Moore, of Geneva Lake, Wis., visited at her mother's, Mrs. L. W. Stanley's, the past week. Her sister, Miss Lou Stanley, gave her a surprise supper Thursday evening. Only relatives being present, Mrs. E. C. Stanley, Mrs. Guy L. Bush, Mrs. Budd Kellon, Mrs. Adah Anderson, Mrs. David McKee, Mrs. Allie Edwards and Mrs. Bertha Willis were the guests.

Take average number of lamps burned during evening, multiply by number of hours, then by 36, divide by 1,000 and multiply by 15 cents gives cost of carbon lamps; then multiply by 25 (instead of 36) and divide by 1,000 and multiply by 15 cents and subtract and see the difference in cost, and four candle power more for each lamp at less cost on meter. Miller & Hauge, Berwyn, Ill.

A reception was given at the Art Institute last Thursday afternoon by the Woman's Club of Hinsdale, West-ern Springs, La Grange, Brookfield and Millard avenue. Mrs. Dickerson gave a most interesting lecture on Chicago artists and their works. Tea was served in the rooms where the pictures of the Chicago artists were on exhibition. Mrs. Bunge, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Lemon and Mrs. Davis were the guests of Mrs. Walker, President of the Hinsdale Woman's Club.

REV. R. L. PRESCOTT'S DESCRIPTIVE LETTER

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permitted to enjoy through this hospitality.

The first of them was a trip to the top of one of the mountains. One of the deacons of the First Baptist church with his horse and buggy gave me this pleasure. In a straight line this elevated position was only one mile from the central part of the city. To get there required three miles of travel. We were continually circling the side of the mountain, rising higher and higher, so gradually we hardly realized we were ascending. When the top was reached what a view was ours. Looking to the west, the city was spreading itself out over dozens of hills and through numerous valleys, church spires, great hotels and beautiful dwellings on the hill tops, with the valleys filled with the humble homes of the thousands of colored people. To the east the view was still more interesting. There stretched out a beautiful valley with many farm houses and other buildings showing themselves. These farms are small. Beyond this valley was another range of mountain peaks. These I am told stretch away beyond range after range, for many miles.

I shall not soon forget the beauty of that afternoon sightseeing. The

next morning a telephone message informed me that if Mrs. Prescott and myself would come to Bloomer on the street car a conveyance would be waiting there to take us over the Vanderbilt estate. The gentleman inviting us was another Baptist deacon. We expected to find him waiting with his horse and buggy, which I knew he had. Instead of this, a fine livery rig; it was a beauty, with a "colored gentleman" as driver, with our friend, was there. We got into the carriage and started on a ten-mile drive. It is absolutely impossible to describe this. It was over a road which cost five thousand dollars to the mile to build. A succession of beautiful and romantic scenes bordered this whole distance. We went through delightful groves of what in the spring and summer is a wilderness of flowers, just artificial lakes, across delightful streams of water as clear as crystal, on astonishing bridges. We were informed by our friend that all of this was the work of the landscape gardener.

Without any warning to prepare us we swept up a little hill and found ourselves in full view of the mansion. Let me at this point give you some figures with reference to this estate. It has been twenty years in making. It consists of one hundred and fifty thousand acres. It has cost ten million dollars to put it in its present condition. The mansion itself cost four million dollars.

Now when you have this digested you have something concerning this wonderful property. It is beautiful, beautiful beyond description. The industries are not neglected here. A dairy of some hundreds of Jersey cows helps to supply the city with milk, butter and ice cream. Hundreds of acres are devoted to raising chickens, and they and their eggs find a place in the markets. Many men are constantly employed in cutting out the dead timber from the hillsides and preparing it for fuel. Several teams are kept busy drawing this to market. Some fine and extensive hog houses are shown the visitors with a very choice breed of swine. They swilled just like their plebeian brothers. Great tracts of ground along the French Broad River, which runs through the estate, are used for raising corn, wheat and hay, while along the Swannanoa River are extensive fields of vegetables.

At the dairies our friend treated us to some of the most delicious ice cream we ever ate.

The readers of this may put their imaginations to work, for the rest of the description of this ride. Do not be afraid of overdoing it, for that will be impossible.

We reached home late in the afternoon feeling that we had been through a fairy land.

We are enjoying life here. The weather is ideal. But twice since we came here has the ground been frozen and then so little as to be almost unnoticeable. The air is invigorating and the "chilling" fall of blowing. If we could have our Downers Grove friends with us we should be satisfied.

Yours in friendship, R. L. PRESCOTT.

CLOSING OUT.

Millinery—Closing out all the best trimmed hats at \$3.50, \$3.00 each. Miss Goodspeed, 24 floor, Bank Building.

The Unprejudiced Observer.

A young woman who spends much of her time cogging in the Metropolitan Museum of Art recently said in the New York Sun that a criticism that has helped her a great deal in her work came from a man to whom she took a picture to be framed.

As the picture progressed, my friends told me it was fine, she said. Some of the other copyists said it had "value," "character," "good coloring," and all those things, and even one of the guards in the gallery got real friendly one day, and remarked that it was the best copy of that picture he had seen.

I began to think that maybe, after all, my several years of study were beginning to bear fruit.

When the picture was finished, I took it to the framer, where I picked out a good frame. The man began to figure on the cost.

"I'll tell you, miss," he said, after a while, "that frame will come to three dollars and ninety-eight cents. If I were you I'd get something cheaper for that picture."

PROSPEROUS CONCERN.

Something About One of the Largest Industries in This Vicinity.

At Hillgrove and Watola avenues stands a two-story brick building that from outside appearance seems to be a well-kept warehouse, pure and simple. It houses one of the liveliest and most interesting industries in this section. The building in question is the planing mill belonging to the P. A. Lord Lumber Company.

Within its walls between forty and fifty expert workmen are employed the whole year at good wages.

On Monday a News reporter asked permission of Mr. Luce to go through the plant, and the activity within its walls and the size and equipment of the plant were a revelation to the visitor.

The plant, in addition to the immense yards and sheds, contains a dry kiln, 50x80 feet, in which all the material is dried. Next the visitor is led into the planing department, which is equipped with over twenty-five of the latest labor saving machines. Here anything in the interior finishing line is turned out, the department being enabled to turn any column up to twenty inches. From here one is taken into a large gluing room, where four employes are busily at work constantly. Next you step into the sash and door frame department and cabinet department. In this latter department handsome sideboards are turned out costing hundreds of dollars.

But probably the most interesting department is the stairway section. In this interesting work the true artist is to be found, the specimens of hand-carving done here being beautiful beyond description. There is nothing too difficult for the workmen in this department.

The main floor of this workshop is 60x240 feet, two stories high. The glazing room occupies 20x40 feet, and the stock of window glass and frames carried supplies every call made on this department.

H. C. Vale, the superintendent of the mill, informs us that the firm manufactures store fixtures and store fronts of every description and design. Interior cabinets, interior finishings, sash and door frames of all sizes and shapes, railroad cars. Last year a contract was concluded with the J. W. Butler Paper Company of Chicago whereby the firm is to supply thousands upon thousands of the cases used by the big paper company in the shipment of their paper goods.

Of course, La Grange is growing rapidly, as is seen by the fact that over a half hundred houses are now in course of erection here at the present time, and while the P. A. Lord Lumber Company supplies practically all the interior finishings, frames and sash, hand-carved stairways, etc., besides a big share of the lumber, locally, so famed has the product of this company become that car after car of log output of the mill is shipped to points like Aurora, Geneva, Naperville and even points further distant.

In addition to carrying everything in the business, the firm also does an extensive retail business in coal.

The firm has a habit of furnishing each of its employes with a Christmas turkey, and on last Christmas it required just fifty-three fat turkeys to go around in Lord's official family circle.

In addition to the local establishment the P. A. Lord Lumber Company have a lumber and coal business of Hinsdale and Downers Grove, maintaining large yards in each village.—La Grange News.

A Curious Vane.

One of the most curious vanes to be seen on any church in Great Britain is at Great Gonerby, a parish adjoining Grantham.

It is in the form of a fiddle and a bow and is unusually large. Its history is curious. Many years ago a peasant resided in Great Gonerby who eked out a modest livelihood by performing on an old violin which was almost a part of his life. At last he decided to emigrate, and out in the far west prospered and became a rich man.

One day he sent to the clergyman at Great Gonerby a sum sufficient to build a church, and attached to the gift the curious condition that a metal replica of his old fiddle and bow should be on the summit of the edifice. The gift was accepted and the vane may be seen on the church.

SPORTING NEWS.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Table with 4 columns: Club Name, Won, Lost, Pct. Checkers 10 3 750, Cubs 4 5 444, All Stars 5 7 417, Dominos 3 6 333

LADIES.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Score. Miss B. Mochel 102, Mrs. S. J. Perkins 100, Miss Stewart 91, Mrs. Hugh White 88, Mrs. W. V. Deveraux 84, Mrs. Matthewson 81, Mrs. Chas. Mochel 79, Mrs. Bert White 78, Mrs. Wm. La Charty 78, Mrs. C. H. Sharts 75, Miss Lena Schuetz 72, Miss Anna Parker 69, Mrs. J. A. Westblade 69, Mrs. Howard Jones 68, Mrs. J. W. Hughes 66, Mrs. R. J. Darney 66, Mrs. Rex Hawkins 62, Mrs. King Bush 61, Mrs. Ida Shumbrook 60, Miss Lily Iredale 60, Mrs. E. H. Huntington 55, Miss Grace Iredale 52

GENTLEMEN.

Table with 2 columns: Name, Score. J. B. Bunning 180, Bert White 162, P. Vix 160, Albert Smith 157, Geo. Reuss 157, H. Pitcher 156, W. R. Wells 156, Lee Heldman 156, Raymond Winnier 154, E. Smith 153, C. A. Walter 152, C. H. Stands 151, J. W. Matthewson 151, L. Gerwig 151, J. Waffersheim, Jr. 151, Emory M. Brunson 150, W. V. Deveraux 150, Lee Singletary 148, C. H. Dicke 148, James Burns 144, H. Parker 144, L. Kline 140, James Raby 140, Arthur W. Toppe 140, Harry Rainer 140, Chas. Mochel 140, Wm. LaCharty 140

The Downers Grove bowling team went to Naperville Wednesday evening for the return match with their crack team. Downers Grove won the first game by 54 pins, Naperville won the second by 45 and the third by 34, winning the series by a margin of 25 pins.

Hugh Pitcher was the star for Downers, having high average and high game, making 283 in the last game. The handicap of a short runway and lack of space was too much for the local five to overcome.

Next Monday night Naperville plays Downers on the local alleys and we won't do good things to them. Just wait and see.

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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance to the statute in such cases made and provided the award of contract will be made to Logan & Gertz, of Klein, Ill., not less than ten days from the 12th day of February, A. D. 1909, for the construction of a brick pavement, adjusting storm water inlets, manholes, street grading, constructing concrete combined curb and gutter, and grading of roadways and parkways, on Oakwood avenue, Midland avenue, Saratoga avenue, Sagamore street, Lincoln avenue, Prince avenue, Prairie avenue, North Main street, Franklin street, etc., as provided for by ordinance, unless the owners of a majority of the frontage of the lot and lands abutting upon said proposed improvement, or their agents, shall enter into written contract within ten days of the first publication hereof, to do said work and make said improvement at 10 per cent less than the price at which the same has been awarded, which is as follows, to-wit:

Table with 2 columns: Description, Price. 27,011 cubic yards excavation in streets at 20c per cubic yard \$ 5,402.20, 2,552 cubic yards excavation in parkways at 20c per cubic yard 510.40, 12,505 square yards brick pavement at \$1.31 per square yard 16,381.55, 60 manholes adjusted at \$2 each 120.00, Total \$11,414.55

Dated at Downers Grove, Illinois, this 9th day of February, A. D. 1909. J. W. HUGHES, J. W. HANBY, E. J. MATSEY, C. R. HEARTT, Board of Local Improvements.

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