

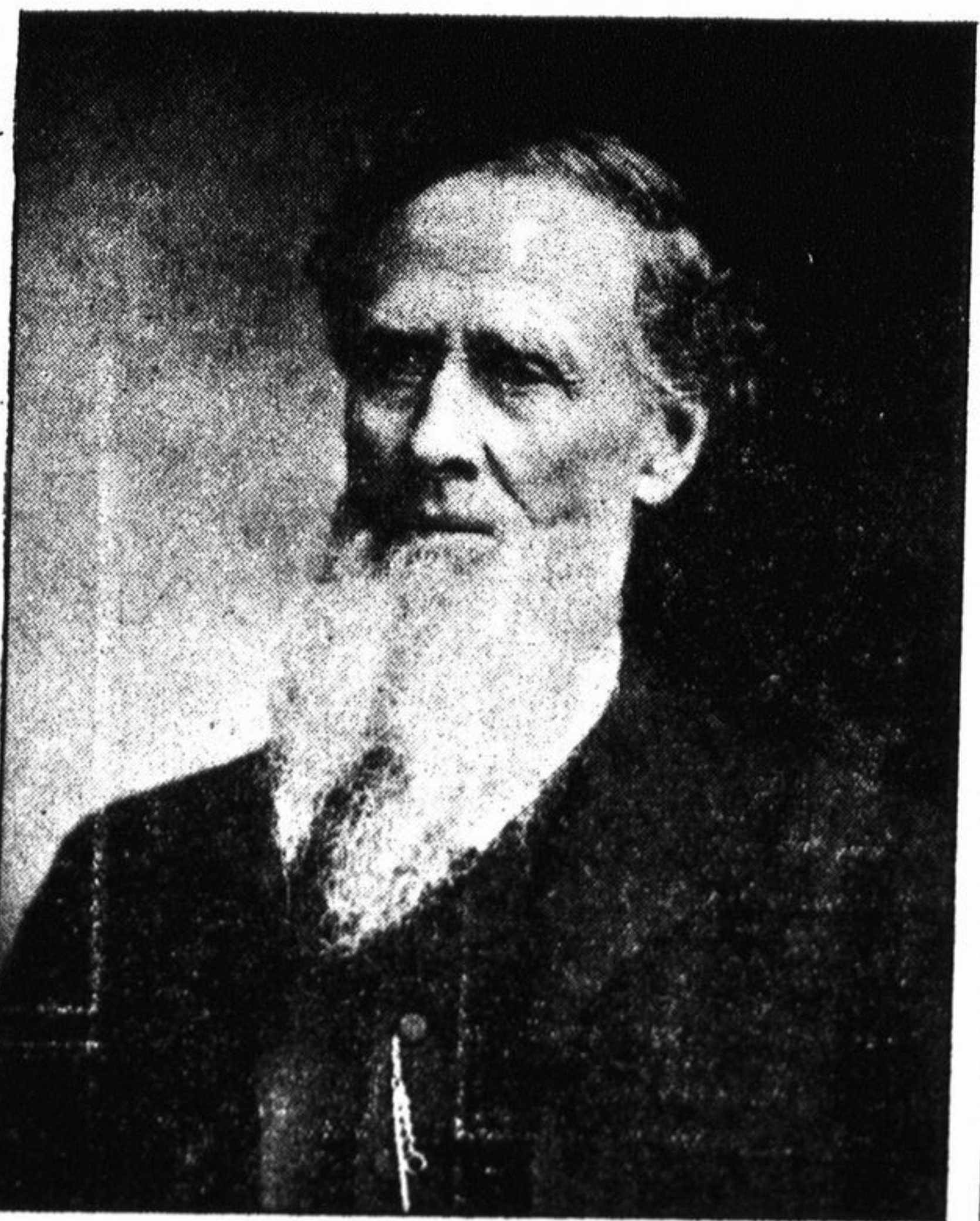
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WHOLE NO. 1512

THE LATE EMERSON OTIS STANLEY.



Last Tuesday afternoon just as the rays of the setting sun fell aslant the hill that crowns the West Side cemetery, there was laid to rest one of Downers Grove's oldest and most respected citizens, Emerson Otis Stanley.

Emerson Otis Stanley was born in New Milford, Susquehanna County, Pa., Aug. 8, 1828. When a lad of nearly seven summers he, with a parents, four sisters and four brothers, came by wagon to Downers Grove, arriving June 23, 1835.

DAMAGE BY LIGHTNING. A week ago Friday lightning struck and set fire to the two-story house owned by R. O. Curtis on Maple avenue, near Main street.

proved a stubborn one, eating its way between uprights of the walls, and was only extinguished after a great amount of water had been poured into the building.

MOTIOPHOTO NEWS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24th

"THE BACK WINDOW"—An unexcelled Lubin's love story illustrating how Harry and Mac patch up their quarrel by what they see out of the back window.

"AFTER MANY YEARS"—A Western photoplay that is out of the ordinary.

THE MOTIOPHOTO FAMILY THEATRE
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THE FUNCTION OF THE NEWSPAPER.

A solicitor for newspaper subscriptions made this remark out of his personal experience the other day:

"Some of the keenest critics the newspapers have to meet are people who rarely buy a home newspaper, at least never patronize it regularly. They borrow it of friends, or steal glances at it in barber shops, or reading rooms. If there were no newspapers here, they would be the very first to deplore the lack of public spirit."

The newspaper makes possible all kinds of private and public enterprise. If you want to get anything done, whether it be your children educated, your products sold, or your gospel preached you have got to tell people about it in some public way. No kind of organization is possible without public discussion.

You can sell goods for more and buy them for less through the exchange of information which the newspaper makes possible. A newspaper can perform these great services efficiently only when it is loyally supported by the public. The man who refuses to contribute his small share through a newspaper subscription is like one who has enjoyed a feast, but who dodges the contribution box.

THE MAIL ORDER CATALOGS.

In millions of homes the fall mail order catalogs from distant metropolitan establishments will shortly be received. They have smart little cuts by clever draftsmen, concise descriptions by trained advertising writers. They are a model of good form in publicity, which every home merchant might well emulate.

Patronizing a house hundreds or thousands of miles away, however, in preference to the tried and trusted home merchant, is a dubious proposition.

Nothing is more deceptive than a catalog cut. If the object is represented by a drawing, the picture has little value to the discriminating buyer. Even a photograph gives little idea of textures and qualities.

Buying from a picture in a catalog cut is essentially the same as when the boys used to swap jack knives "unsight and unseen," without any chance to learn what kind of a knife the other fellow held in his closed hand. It seems about as hopeful to the wise buyer as patronizing the grab bag at a public fair.

The only way to tell whether you are getting good worth for your money is to see the goods, handle them, and put the salesman or proprietor through a searching questioning to see if the value is really there. A purchase from a catalog cut of a house at a distance gives opportunity to do neither of these things.

In buying from a distant mail order house, you have express or freight charges to pay from the establishment to your home, you take chances on long delays that may rob your purchase of part of its value. If the goods are not what you expected, it may cost you more than the article is worth to get satisfaction, if, indeed, you ever get it.

Ask your home merchant for the article you saw in the catalog cut. If it's any good, he will get it for you for the same money, minus any express bill. And if it is no good, he will tell you so and save you a disappointment.

WAS GENEROUS RESPONSE

People of Downers Grove and Vicinity Attended Evening Party En Masse.

Last Saturday evening houses were kept busy carrying merrymakers from the station to Timke's farm, where the second party of the season was given for the benefit of St. Joseph's church. Socially it was unsurpassed; financially it beat all records. One of the interesting features was a guessing contest. A number was placed in an envelope representing the weight of a pony. Five dollars was the reward for the one who guessed the figures, while the second prize, one dollar, went to the next nearest guesser. Jake Klein, well known stockman, took first. Those who came nearest to the number in the envelope were our popular and genial village clerk, Bert C. White; Geo. Ayres and Earl Klein. The proceeds of the party will be used in improving and beautifying the property, corner Highland and Franklin, recently acquired by the parish, and which is to be used for school purposes.

NOTICE.

Citizens interested in establishing a new cemetery for Downers Grove are requested to meet at the Congregational Church parlors Monday evening, Aug. 26, for the purpose of discussing the proposition.

Where There is Rest.

She—"Do you get a rest every summer, Mr. Jones?" He—"Oh, yes. You see, I'm only in business; I'm not in society."

THE FOLLOWING IS TAKEN FROM THE MILWAUKEE SENTINEL.

"The town of Spring Valley, Wis., has shown its enterprise by erecting a municipal building that is an improvement on the old style of Town Hall. It contains quarters for the public library and for a town and country club, an engine-house, and an opera hall, which is also used for public meetings of all kinds. A large dining-room and kitchen are also included. The building is of concrete, and presents a substantial and handsome appearance." Spring Valley has 972 inhabitants and if a little town of this size can have a building of this character, why cannot Downers Grove get busy and build that Library and Village Hall and auditorium that has been talked about so much.

LOCAL NEWS

Prohibitionists of DuPage county are planning for their presidential, legislative and local candidates a more aggressive campaign than has been conducted in this district in many years. At a meeting held last Friday night at the home of County Chairman Alonzo E. Wilson, preliminary arrangements were made for a strenuous series of automobile tours to cover every town and village in the county and organize a large number of election district Chaffin-Watkins Clubs. One feature of the campaign will be the distribution of some unique party literature which will be placed in the hands of every voter in the county, and followed up with personal effort so far as possible.

Mr. W. R. Turnbull entertained a sister, Mrs. J. C. Moyle of West Superior, Wis., last week.

Miss Jennie Lott writes from Pueblo, Colo., that her sister who is very ill is more comfortable.

Mrs. J. S. Hamilton and two little daughters from Oak Park spent ten days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Turnbull and sister, Mrs. G. C. Maereker.

The Downers Grove Domestic Science Club closed their year of study by giving a party to a few of their friends at the beautiful home of Mrs. Prince. Much credit is due Mrs. Howe, Mrs. Gustus and Mrs. Prince for the afternoon's pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hearty attended a wedding in Naperville Saturday afternoon.

Merville Ira Morton of Berwyn is visiting at his Grandpa Turnbull's.

Miss Lewis, who has been visiting her brother and family on Maple avenue, returned to her home in Nebraska last Thursday.

Mr. Frankenfeld is rejoicing over the arrival of a little son.

Monday Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Hearst, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rassweiler and Catherine returned from an automobile trip to Madison, Wis.

Mr. M. L. Hindman, Harold, Hattie and Mrs. McFarland left Wednesday for a trip to Ockmulgee, Okla., where Mr. Hindman's sister, Mrs. Embree, lives.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held their annual election of officers at Mrs. W. J. Herring's the 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Collins and daughter Margaret from Chicago spent Saturday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. De Groot.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harthorn are entertaining their niece, Miss Francis Kolzon, from Hinsdale for a couple of weeks.

Horace, Walter and Benton De Groot from St. Louis are spending a few weeks at the home of their grand parents on Highland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harthorn spent Monday with relatives at Hinsdale.

Only \$3,000,000 for Astor baby? District nurse should see if the family needs help.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bond entertained a number of their friends at "500" on Friday evening. All were in fine spirits and a jolly evening was spent. The rooms were decorated with pink roses, white asters and dahlias. Mrs. Rosson and E. Dunnagan carried off the prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bachus are entertaining friends from Indiana.

Mrs. John Gillespie has had company from Indiana during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillett and daughter, who have been spending some time with their mother and sister on Fairmont avenue, left for their western home on Tuesday p. m.

Miss Ella Riel had a delightful trip at Muskegon, Mich.

Mrs. Edmund Poetter of La-Grange entertained friends at a luncheon on Thursday last.

Mrs. Alfred Steckman gave a luncheon on Wednesday last at her home on Fairmont avenue.

Mrs. L. A. Webster of Hinsdale spent Tuesday with Mrs. Bond.

Mrs. Ford Davis left for Nebraska Tuesday to visit her sister.

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Home Savings Bank

Our savings depositors find it a great aid to saving to have at home one of our Home Savings Banks to receive odd coins which might otherwise be spent thoughtlessly.

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Downers Grove, Illinois

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Saturday evenings from 6 P. M. to 8 P. M.

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Recent Deaths

Mary Conley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Conley, died at the home of her parents, 173 Lincoln avenue, Wednesday, Aug. 21. Funeral will be held Friday, Aug. 23. Services will be at St. Joseph's church, where solemn high mass will be celebrated. Interment will be made at Mt. Carmel.

Miss Conley would have been 14 years old in December.

MISS VIRGIE M. M'GINNIS.

Miss Virgie M. McGinnis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McGinnis, died at the home of her parents on Grove street, Tuesday, Aug. 6, of tuberculosis of the stomach. Funeral services were held at the Baptist church, the Rev. R. W. Babeock officiating, and interment was made in the West Side Cemetery. The Misses Bessie Wampler, Emma Wampler, Rose Wolfe, Alice McGinnis, Mary Meyer and Beatrice Maddock acted as pallbearers. Miss McGinnis was born Nov. 7, 1889, in Waukegan, Ohio, coming to Downers Grove with her parents when quite young, and had a large number of friends in the village who mourn her loss and sympathize with her family.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McGinnis and family wish to extend to all their neighbors and friends their heartfelt thanks for the many kindnesses shown them during the illness of their daughter Virgie and the sympathy extended to them in their recent bereavement.

BOLT STRIKES COURT HOUSE.

In a severe electrical storm Saturday afternoon, lightning struck the flag staff on the court house, ran into the guttering and tore a score of slate shingles from the roof. It also frightened the several people who had remained in the building to finish up the work of the week.

The damage is estimated at about \$200. It is said that this amount will more than cover the material destroyed, but as the insurance company is to replace the building in the same shape it was before the building was struck, labor, and the cost of getting expert tile roofers from Chicago, will run up the amount until it reaches the \$200 mark.

The Line.

A girl makes this distinction between white lies and fibs: She tells fibs to her chum and white lies to her beau.



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