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THE INFANT WELFARE SOCIETY

The Infant Welfare society meeting on Friday p. m. at Dicke's hall was well attended and proved a very interesting meeting. The ladies who were present were heartily in accord with this work and a generous response was the result of the appeal that was made by the chairman, Mrs. M. H. Prince. Miss Marie Ahrens, the superintendent of the Infant Welfare stations in Chicago, gave a stereopticon lecture and the pictures gave the audience a good idea of the need of this charity in our great city. Mrs. E. P. Welles of Hinsdale was the next speaker. A report was read from the Junior auxiliary of Hinsdale and was a great surprise that young ladies could accomplish so much in such a short time. Mrs. L. H. Freer of Hinsdale gave an interesting talk in regard to the needs of the station that the suburban towns on the Burlington are trying to support. A number of clubs and organizations are planning to help in this work with sewing, and anyone becomes a member of this society by contributing. Mrs. M. H. Prince and Mrs. Oliver will be glad to receive any donations.

Time Saving.

Dorcas—"Won't your meeting be very late if all the members are going to take part in the debate?" Mrs. Dorcas—"Why, no, dear! We'll all speak at once."—Judge.

Help!

"See that bewhiskered man walking with Miss Peach. He's very hirsute, isn't he?" "No, he's her suitor."

FIRE AT SEDGELEY DAIRY.

Loss Estimated, \$15,000.

Friday morning at 6:30 the Hinsdale Fire Department was called to the Sedgeley dairy, where in some mysterious way fire started in the store room of the main dairy building. The fire had gained quite a headway before the fire department arrived, and owing to the fact that one of the main pipes broke the firemen fought under difficulties and the main dairy building, consisting of boiler room, ice house and bottling department was completely destroyed with an estimated loss of about \$15,000. The cattle barn, with their many head of fine cattle and \$50,000 worth of hay and various other outer buildings, caught fire several times, but the firemen fought desperately and saved them.

Owing to the presence of mind of some of the dairy men, greater loss and explosion was avoided by turning the gasoline from their one-thousand-gallon tank into the sewer. After the breaking of the water main the remainder of the fire was fought under difficulties, with but small streams and aid of pails, the firemen worked up until noon before the fire was entirely extinguished.

It is thought the fire must have started from crossing electric wires in the store room of the dairy building.

Arrangements have been made so that the Sedgeley customers will receive their milk and service as usual.—Hinsdale Doings.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. W. S. Wilson wishes to announce to the public that he has taken over the business of the late B. Roth at 22 S. Main street and is prepared to do any kind of ladies' and men's shoe tailoring.

ARTHUR P. HOSMER BURIED WEDNESDAY

Arthur P. Hosmer, formerly well known in the village, died in St. Louis, Mo., last week Friday. Groves Lodge being notified by the St. Louis fraternity, had the body taken care of and shipped here, where Undertaker Davis took charge of the body.

The funeral took place from Masonic Hall Wednesday at 2 o'clock. After services at the hall interment was made in the West Side cemetery.

Mr. Hosmer was born in Lynn, Mass., Jan. 11, 1866. He came to Chicago and went into the insurance business, at which he was very successful. He came to Downers Grove in 1894 and joined the Masonic lodge in 1896.

He was a man who endeared himself to his friends by his spirit of helpfulness, ever ready to lend assistance in time of need.

Two uncles and aunts of Chicago were the only relatives to attend the funeral besides the Masons, of which body about 44 members attended.

WESTERN NEWS.

Friends of Mrs. D. K. Foote will be interested in a brief account of her travels since she was last in their midst. Early this year she went to Yellowstone Park via Minneapolis. Then she spent several months visiting relatives in western Canada. In company with her aunt, Mrs. Newcombe of Calgary, Mrs. Foote recently made the trip down the Pacific coast, stopping at Seattle, Portland and San Francisco. While in the Bay region a call was made at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Carpenter in Oakland; also much sightseeing was enjoyed with Mrs. W. N. Fry of San Francisco. At present Mrs. Foote is in Los Angeles, where she expects to spend the winter and hopes to renew acquaintance with some of the former residents of the Grove now living in southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Marion Stanley and Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Fry were among those who partook of the hospitality of the Carpenter family on Thanksgiving Day.

For a jolly good time
In a jolly good way,
None excels Carpenter's,
That's what we say.

Franklin Huling moved to Redlands, Cal., a few months ago to enter the university there. He plans to pass part of the holidays in Los Angeles, where he has many friends who will be glad to help him enjoy his vacation.

Mrs. Clinton J. Sheldon is now in a sanatorium in Tucson, Ariz. As Miss Julia Barnard she is best known to many in the village, and all will join in wishing for her speedy recovery. Mr. Sheldon is with her, but it is hoped that it will not be long before she can return and be near her family, who live in the vicinity of Lisle.

(COMMUNICATIONS.)

Editor of The Reporter:
Dear Sir—We wish to thank the members of the Downers Grove Fire Department and kind neighbors for their very efficient work at our home last Saturday morning.

The men responded promptly to the call and worked hard and intelligently to save our property. Though the loss is of large importance to us, it could easily have been much greater.

We do not know the names of all the generous and alert company, but we feel that Marshal Staats and Messrs. L. Klein and Mart White could not have done better if they had been trained in the Chicago service.

We hope to have an opportunity to personally thank them all at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bruza.

A LIBRARY QUESTION.

Mr. Editor: Not being a regular reader of your paper, the article in your issue of Oct. 7 concerning the general wind-up of the library question and purchase of a site did not come to my notice until a few days since.

Permit me to ask a question. Was it just right or generous to completely ignore the association that for over twenty years of continuous labor made the "whole thing possible"?

As I understand the situation, neither library nor legacy would be in existence today had not the "Ladies' Library Association" founded and promoted the movement.

Justice.

Permanent Polish for Shaves.
Instead of soiling the hands with ordinary blacking there are several kinds of improved polishes on the market which are to be applied with a paint brush and which keep attractive for a couple of weeks. This polish also comes for the nicks part of the shave.

SUMMONED TO HOLIDAY FEAST AT DAUGHTER'S HOME, SUDDENLY DIES.

Just about the time dinner was to be served at the home of Mrs. Kate Glenn, 126 Second East, Thanksgiving afternoon, her mother, Mrs. Ellen S. Smethurst was seized with an attack of gastritis and died shortly afterwards. Dr. H. B. Sprague was called when Mrs. Smethurst was taken sick, but was unable to render aid.

Mrs. Smethurst was a native of Philadelphia. She has been a resident of Salt Lake about twelve years.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, Dec. 1, at the Eber W. Hall funeral chapel, 164 South West Temple street. The services were under the auspices of Hermione Temple No. 8, Pythian Sisters. Mrs. Smethurst was 75 years of age and was the mother of Mrs. Kate Glenn, 125 South Second East street. She was a member of the Pythian Sisters and also of Rice Circle No. 1, G. A. R. Burial was in Mount Olivet cemetery. All members of these lodges were invited to attend the services.

SCHOOL NOTES

The schools will close for the Christmas vacation Friday, Dec. 19, and open for work Monday, Jan. 5, 1919.

Robert M. King, representing D. Appleton Co., publishers, was a caller at the superintendent's office Wednesday.

G. C. Butler will go to Springfield the 29th of this month to be present at the sixteenth annual state teachers' meeting. A fine program has been prepared.

A banquet will be served to the football boys Friday evening at the Congregational church. An elaborate program has been prepared and a good time is expected by all who attend.

Perhaps there is nothing that the schools can instill into the minds of boys and girls for real worth as service, the most blessed of human endeavors, the service that educates and builds and makes this world a better and happier place in which to live and work. Service is the spirit of the hour. It blesses him that gives and him that receives; it is a helping hand extended unselfishly. The best that can be said of any person is this: He served others that they might better serve themselves.

The Teacher.

A new race arises,
Hearty, filled with sweeter mirth;
The teachers mold its beauty,
'They're the ones that rule the earth!

We've grown deaf to smooth-tongued statesmen,
We've lost faith in sword and gun;
There's a teacher in the White House,
A new era has begun!

The preacher ruled at Plymouth,
When he groaned of "Adam's Fall;"
In the days of old Abe Lincoln
'Twas the lawyer knew it all;
Then the people grew luxurious,
And the doctor came to call;
Now we know the teacher saves us
By beginning when we're small.

When creeds no longer bound us,
We forget them with a smile;
When the law courts lost their glamor,
We studied germs awhile;
Now sickness seems old fashioned,
But the teacher stays in style.

And there's room for newer teachers,
Fine courage make them great!
Columbia, the Mother of Heroes,
Is calling them now—shall we wait?
H. E. RHOADS.

Mrs. J. M. Burns spent Wednesday morning visiting the different departments of the school.

SPENCER MURDER PICTURES PROHIBITED.

Motion pictures depicting the Henry Spencer murder trial will not be exhibited in Elgin.

This was the announcement made by Chief of Police Gahan when asked if he would permit the Spencer pictures to be exhibited in Elgin theaters.

Chicago authorities have forbidden exhibition of the pictures in that city and owners of the films are endeavoring to show them in nearby cities.

Didn't Want Wash.

Lily, a cook of color, had broken off her engagement, and was confiding her troubles and her shortcomings to her sympathetic mistress: "And what you reckon dat nigger up 'n' say to me when he was gwine outen we-all's de't says he, 'I know one thing, nigger, you is just got to gimme back all er dem engagement presents what I gived you!'"

GIVE YOUR WIFE A BANK BOOK



Do not stingily pinch out money to your good wife. She has more sense of economy than you have anyhow. Give her a bank account—so much each month. This will save you lots of trouble and give her the independence she DESERVES and will enjoy. This will save you money, because if your wife feels that she is your PARTNER she will help you save. Do this and some day when YOU NEED money SHE will have it for you.

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Downers Grove, Illinois

MOTIOGRAPH NEWS!
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"Too Many Tenants" Pathe Comedy
"Daughter of the Underworld"—Part I and II Kalem Drama
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Fancy Damask and Huck Towels.
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Gloves and Mittens, boxed.
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