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# OWNERS GROVE REPORTE

The relay race has been consecutively. A silver cup is given

as a trophy for this race. Wheaton won the meet with 46%

somts, while Hinsdale took second h 421/2 points. Downers Grove. Elmhurst and Naperville took third. fourth and fifth respectively, with 18, 5 and 3 points. Davidson of Hinsdale proved himself high individual Downers point winner with a total of 19 points to his credit. Meyers of Wheaton, Coach Haw was second with 17, and Diener of made the best Downers Grove, third with 15. The Downers Downers Grove team took the relay in break with a big lead and thus secured possession of the loving cup, Diener prov. ceeding years when he will be scarcewere the individing himself a star performer in this event as well as in the pole vault and rived for Du Page county and for discus throw. Davidson of Hinsdale, broke the shot put record with 42 feet | the right to vote. The occasion is the 11 inches. Merrill of Wheaton, broke forest preserve act. The time is June the mile run record, covering the dis- 7. The duty and the privilege is to tance in 4:50. Naperville secured only vote for the forest preserve and se record for the pole three points, they being won by O. perpetuate the beauty spots, our nat-Both Diener Stenger, who took second in the 440 ural woodlands, for our own pleasure broke the former yard run.

The Oratorical and Musical con- come. Inches; Carties 19 tests held in the evening proved close he discus was thrown and interesting. Mr. Chandler of should appeal with great force to all Hinsdale and Miss Felicite Ricksher residents of Downers Grove. For proved the most ex- of Naperville, tied for first honors in years we have gloried in the posses as the most coveted rank, but Hinsdale proved the winner sion of beautiful woodlands surpasserapon. Three schools on percentages. The musical contest was won by the Wheaton chorus.

> SACRED CONCERT AT THE METH- to the woods and have seldom stopped ODIST CHURCH SUNDAY EVENING.

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the face was practically and of the first quarter. been arranged for next Sunday evening by the choir of the Methodist Jenness. A cordial invitation to broken three records, tend this service is extended to he tape before his opponent especially to those who are lovers of red more than half the last music as an aid to worship.

won by Downers Grove three years SAVE THE COUNTY WOODLANDS

> This Slogan Is Being Echoed Throughout the County -Vote June 7.

About once in a generation an occasion arises in which the average every day citizen can do something which will materially help the community in which he resides, not only in his life time but through the sucly a memory. Such a time has ar every man and woman who possesses and for the delight of generations to

The proposition to save the forests ing in natural attractions all the glories of the artificial parks of great cities. We have become accustomed to think that our admission to those inatural temples was on sufferance A program of sacred music has along, and not by right. At any moment our freedom to wander through the sylvan shades, to pluck the fragrant flowers and to delight in the wonders of nature could and can taken from us. Not that we anticipate such a loss but should the owners decide to raze the forest no protest of ours would have to be heeded

Through the medium of the forest reserve act the people of Du Page ounty on June 7 are to determine whether any effort shall be made to Meep at least some of the present forests intact as pleasure grounds for Du Page county folks. If the proposition carries the county supervisors will automatically become the commissioners of the Du Page county forest preserve and as such will have the right to designate what tracts shall be bought and held in perpetuity for the benefit of Du Page county has woods near it, Downers Grove is particularly fortunate in having on the immediate west a stretch of woodlaud which in the abundance and varlety of its flora can scarcely be equalled in Illinois.

This tract, through the kindness of the estate of Marshall Field and of the late General A. C. Ducat, has for years been a source of constant joy to the residents of the village and one of the great attractions of the town. The future of the village without the woods is not a nice thing to contem

How much will it cost the taxpayer if the proposition carries? The tax CANNOT EXCEED ONE MILL ON THE DOLLAR OF ASSESSED VAL not the ACTUAL VALUE BUT THE ASSESSED VALUE.

Let us see just what this one mill ax actually means to the owner. Take for example a property which about \$3,000, but which under our sys tem the assessor places say at \$1,350. By the law of one-third that would mean an assessed value of \$450 upon which the amount our tax levy made. A one mill tax on this propetty would be exactly 45 cents per annum. All other properties would be proportionate to this, according to their respective valuations, viz:

A property of fair cash value of \$6,000 would pay 90 cents per annum. A property of fair cash value of 2 cans for 85c | \$1,500 would pay 221/2 cents per an-

in other words, one mill on the dollar means a ten cent actual tax on each \$100, not of the actual but of the assessed valuation. Remember: First, this would be the limit posafble to levy and the forest preserve portion must come within that

Second, this can only be spent in acquiring land which immediately becomes the property of our county and an asset of ever increasing value.

Third, after reserve land has been acquired this forest preserve tax automatically stops.

Fourth, railroads and large outside corporations pay one-third of all. Li erally of all the land bought for for est preserves, and which becomes the property of our county, our railroad and foreign corporations actually pay for one-third. They receive their re ward through the development of this

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**BUSINESS MEN INDORSE** FOREST RESERVE PLAN

DOWNERS GROVE, DU PAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, MAY 28, 1915.

Adopt Resolution at Special Meeting Indorsing Preserve for DuPage County.

At a special meeting of the Downers Grove Business Men's Association, held last Thursday evening in the Village Hall, the business men unanimously adopted a resolution indorsing the Forest Preserve Move ment for DuPage County.

Mr. F. O. Butler of Hinsdale, was present and explained the salient features of the proposition, its advantages and the short space of time it took with a one-mill tax, to raise enough money so every town in the county could have a natural park in which to picnic, study nature, etc. His talk was very good and was well received by the business men who promised to do all in their power to have this plan adopted by the county.

#### LIBRARY BENEFIT ENTER-TAINMENT.

personally conducted through The Holy Land, glimpaes of the radiant beauty of that land of promise, its rugged fastnesses, its verdant meadows, its peaceful valleys and above all the scenes so dear to our faith through their close association with the life and work of The Master, will be given Friday evening, June 11th, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, through the medium of "Travel Talk," by A. E. Hemphill, illustrated with stereopticon views.

For a number of years Mr. Hemphill, whose home is in Holyoke, Mass., journeyed through Palestine studying the country with special attention to its Biblical history and since then his Travel Talk has been given in many cities and in a number of eastern colleges. In addition to the views of Judea, Mr. Hemphill will present pictures and a description of the Panama Canal through which he recently passed.

The entertainment is being given for the benefit of the new public library now in course of erection through the gift of Mr. Carnegie and the proceeds will be devoted to aiding residents. Each village in the county in furnishing the library rooms. Musical numbers will be given by M. Kelpsch, a violinist of note who will everything be accompanied by his daughter. male quartette is also to sing. The affair is under the auspices of the Downers Grove Woman's Club members of the Library Committee, of which Mrs. Nelson J. Perron is chair man. Both by reason of the excel lence of the program and the cause which it aims to help the affair should

#### NAPER POST G. A. R.

Decoration Day will be observed by Naper Post No. 468, G. A. R., on Monday, May 31st, 1915. The Post will meet at the Post Hall at 8:30 a. m UE OF THE TAXABLE PROPERTY, Will go to Hinsdale on the 9:07 train and hold their services at the Ful tersburg Cemetery, returning to Downers Grove on the 12 m. train Will meet at the Post Hall at 2:15 p m. and form and march to the Ceme owner thinks has a full cash value of tery, where the usual services will be held; going from there to the Methodist Church, where the oration of the day will be delivered by Rev Brown of Hinsdale. The Post extends a cordial invitation to the and all citizens of Downers Grove to take part in the services of the day. T. S. ROGERS, Commander. R. W. BOND, Adjutant.

#### MR. JAMES DREW

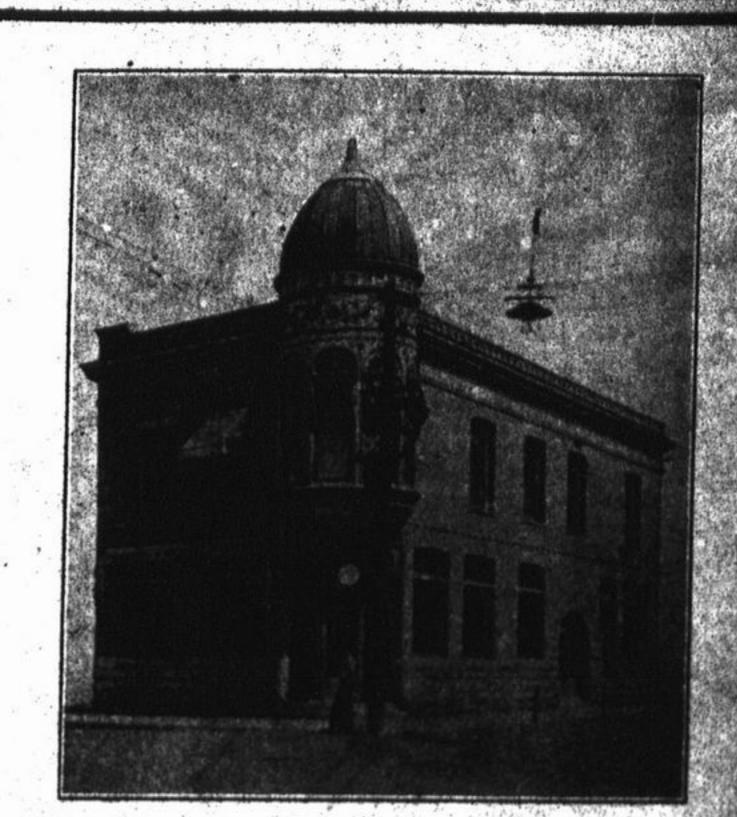
wego, Thursday, May 20, and was buried at Cass Sunday, was well known in this vicinity. He was born in England in 1827, coming to this country in 1848 and apont his life farming at Cass until about fifteen years ago, when he went to Oswego. The funeral services were held at the home of his son Afthur on Forest avenue, the Rev. Jenness of the M. E. church officiating.

#### AS DOWNERS GROVE COULD WRITE IT.

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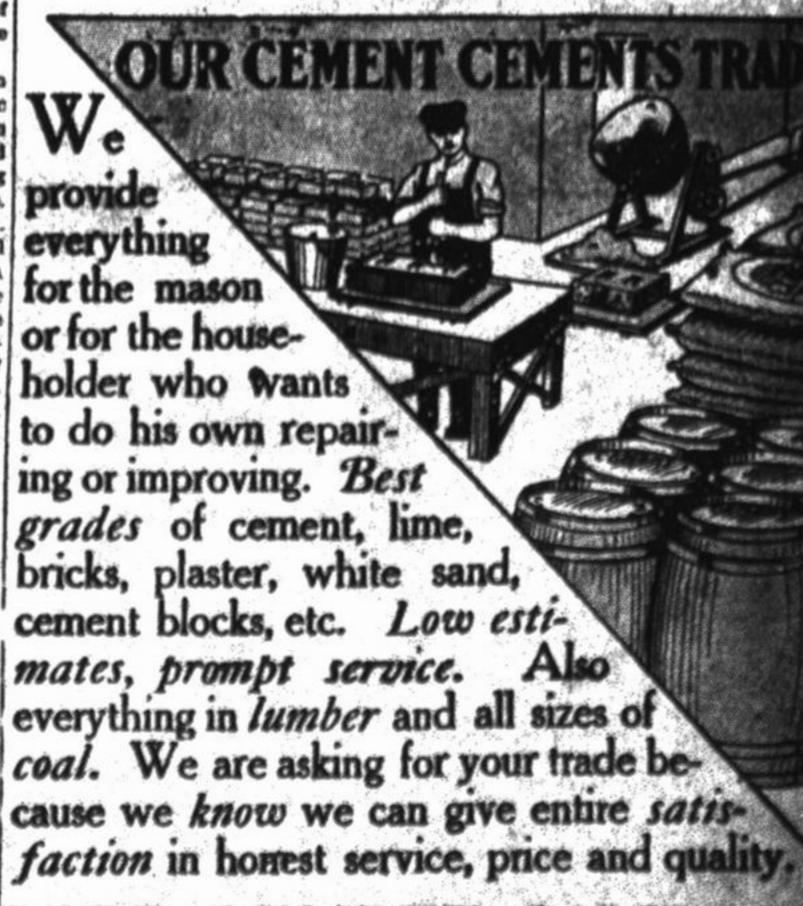
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