

Downers Grove Reporter

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MICKIE SAYS



CHARLES SUGRUE

THE TORNADO SUFFERERS

A call has come to Downers Grove from the tornado victims of last Sunday's storm. They are appealing for financial assistance at Melrose Park where 150 families lost their all.

We, of Downers Grove, must heed this call. It might be us. Think of it, the wind missed us by just a few miles.

We have given thousands of dollars for the relief of the Near East (for Belgium sufferers, for bleeding, suffering France, for Austrian and German war sufferers, for England, for the Turks, for almost every people of the world. Now, right here at home, within a stone's throw of the village, comes a call for money. It comes from Americans, from ordinary working people, who have lost their all, their homes, their personal possessions, by a destructive wind.

People of Downers Grove, if you do not heed this call for money, you will be falling down on an opportunity to help those of your own blood.

Arrangements have been made with both banks to receive contributions to the fund. The Mayor of Melrose Park has asked that we help. Can we deny this request?

Act now, the need is urgent. Send or take your mite to one of the local banks. DO IT NOW!

Valuable Philippine Shells.

Philippine shells comprise six kinds of commercial value; the gold-lip pearl or the mother-of-pearl, the window shell, the trochus, the green snail, the black-lip pearl, and the tortoise shell.

Scrap Leather Used on Roads.

It has been estimated that 55,720 pairs of old shoes are needed for every mile of a road composition made of slag, rock, asphalt and scrap leather that has been patented in Great Britain.

Pessimistic.

"It is all over but the shouting," said the politician to his friend the night before election, "and, between you and me, our side won't have to attend to that."—Boston Transcript.

Aiding Aviators.

Small balloons are sent up twice daily from thirty-one observing stations in the United States to ascertain direction and velocity of air currents for the guidance of aviators.

Tibetan Church Great Power.

In Tibet one son at least of every family must join the church, partly for spiritual motives, partly to gain the temporal protection of the monasteries, the most powerful factor in the country.

Remarkable Sight.

Little Marjorie, aged 4, was looking out of the window on a frosty morning and saw a horse and buggy passing, and called: "Oh, mamma, come quick and see the dust comin' out of the horse's mouth."

ANNUAL EASTER MATINEE WILL BE HELD TOMORROW

The annual Easter matinee, given under the direction of the Civics and Philanthropy department of the Woman's Club, will be held in the M. E. church, Saturday, April 3rd, at 3 p. m.

For several years this department has given an Easter program the Saturday afternoon before Easter and because of its timeliness and quality it has become an annual event and looked forward to by many.

This program has not only afforded a rare treat but has been the means used to procure funds for the work of the Philanthropy committee. All of the talented artists give their services; the Methodist Board kindly allows the use of the church, and you are invited to enjoy the treat and make it a financial success.

School pupils are especially invited. We recommend to parents that they give their children the opportunity to hear this thoroughly delightful, artistic program.

All school pupils are admitted at a special price.

A fine program has been arranged but owing to lack of space The Reporter staff has been unable to find room to publish it this week.

Clothes.

Sir Walter Scott tells us in "Ivanhoe," "men wore one thickness of clothes, whether of wool, leather or velvet. The shirt was invented, but for a long time was worn only by the nobility and gentry. Then followed the waistcoats, breeches, and then the trousers. The overcoat, which succeeded the medieval coatlark, was rare until the seventeenth century. The dates are not known."

Danger in New Coin.

The harpist was heaving and snorting with indignation. "Look at this story!" he cried, handing us a copy of the Fourth Estate. The story concerned the campaign for 2 1/2-cent pieces. "If they get this new coin minted," he moaned, "the concert managers are sure to offer it to harp soloists as a fee."—Mustel America.

Far-Seeing Youth.

Robert had been angry at James for several days and I was surprised to hear him call over to James and invite him to come and ride on his new sled. Later I questioned him as to his far-seeing of James and Robert explained: "Well, Bill told me Jim was going to have a party next week and I didn't want to lose out."—Exchange.

Stenographers Long Employed.

It is not generally known that stenography as a profession was followed as long ago as the days of the Roman empire. Poets, who are sometimes ridiculed nowadays for having private stenographers, had them in the fourth century of our era.

Richest Territory.

The richest 100 square miles of territory in the world, so far as known to mining engineers, is in the Black hills. This district produces working quantities of nearly every mineral product, from gold to cement.

CHICKEN HAWK BROUGHT DOWN BY HAIL STONE

Choked to Death in Order to Release Talons From Val Wander's Hand.

During the height of the hail and wind storm last Sunday noon a large bird was seen fluttering around in Val Wander's yard on Prince ave. Investigation disclosed that it was a chicken hawk which had been hit on the head by a hail stone about as large as a golf ball and brought to earth.

Mr. Wander caught it by the neck and one leg, the bird fastening the claws of the other foot in his coat. After disentangling it the hawk caught his right hand, the talons sinking deep into the flesh. Two men tried in vain to get the hawk to loosen its hold, but it had a grip which could not be pried open and Mr. Wander was forced to choke it to death in order to get relief from the pain. The wings were spread out and a tape measure revealed the fact that the marauder was fifty inches from tip to tip.

About Diamonds.

Only about 50 per cent of rough diamonds are cut into gems and lose about 60 per cent of their weight in being cut and polished. Diamonds are practically indestructible and the first diamond ever mined may possibly still be in existence. But estimate allows for the loss of at least 1,000,000 carats by flood, fire, shipwreck and other disasters. These reductions and losses leave the total of cut and polished diamonds at 46,555,474 carats.

Machinery of Census Bureau.

The ingenious machines used by the census bureau to count, sort and tabulate the information gathered by the census enumerators are the product of the bureau's own laboratory. The sorting machines take care of 300 cards per minute, the counting machine 500 cards a minute and the tabulating machine handles 400 cards each minute.

First American Grammarian.

The first American grammarian to attain distinction, Lindley Murray, died nearly a century ago. He was a native of Pennsylvania and a Quaker, and his famous "Grammar of the English Language" was the first textbook of its kind written by an American to be used in the schools on this side of the Atlantic. It first appeared in 1795.

Gondola Exclusively Venetian.

It was not until the end of the seventeenth century that the Venetian gondola assumed its present simplicity and soberness of color. A vain attempt has been made to introduce it in other countries, but it has apparently resisted all efforts at acclimatization.

Title of Duke.

The title of duke, the highest order of the British peerage, was first introduced in 1337, and the Black Prince, the son of Edward III of England, was the first duke, under the title of the duke of Cornwall.

LOCAL STORES ANNOUNCE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLOSING

We, the undersigned business houses of Downers Grove hereby agree to close our various places of business on Wednesday afternoons, commencing Wednesday, April the 7th and continuing thru the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, October, at 12 noon each Wednesday.

- Lehmann & Michel
- Morris Shoe Store
- Farmers & Merchants Bank
- F. Mochel
- V. Tholin
- Emrich Bros.
- Anna Meyers
- Western United Gas & Electric Co.
- Chas. M. Hitch, Village Office.
- J. D. Gillespie & Co.
- Harold H. Clarke
- H. J. Hawkins
- H. E. McAllister & Co.
- Joseph Mazza
- Selig Sisters
- Louis Klein
- W. H. Blodgett
- Fred Baker
- J. M. Zindt
- Adolph Ross
- L. F. Coleman
- Mrs. Emma Forstner
- H. C. Pitcher
- Jos. Mrkwicka
- J. W. Nash

Advertisement

Great Value of Redwood.

Redwood lumber is largely used on the Pacific coast, as it has great natural resistance to rot and fire. Heart redwood when placed in contact with the ground will remain in good condition for 25 years or more, whereas a great many other species rot out in a few years. The redwood heartwood is also able to repel the attacks of decay-producing fungi, because of the presence of tannin, oils and resins obnoxious to fungi.

A Thought.

It's not easy to be famous or skillful or pre-eminent in one's chosen profession, but it is easy for every man to be a kind father, a good neighbor, a true friend and a loyal citizen. If he is these he is all that men of renown can be. The great man who has won his greatness at the expense of his children or his neighbors or his friends has traded lasting memories for temporary fame.

READ ALL THE ADS. IT PAYS TO READ THEM. DO IT ALWAYS.

Lord Lumber Company

Phone Day 20

Phone after 6 P. M. 142 J

Here in Good Assortments are all the Accessories You Need to Complete Your EASTER Costume---



The woman who is just as careful about the lesser items of dress as she is about her frock or other apparel will welcome these displays. Here in gratifying variety are blouses, beautiful neckwear, handkerchiefs, gloves, and hosiery for both women and children. Everything is in perfect readiness for Easter selection and awaiting your inspection.

Easter Handbags

If you prefer the Handbag made of leather you will like the interesting styles we are featuring in our Easter Showing. Some are Hand Tooled; others are of plain leather Kodak style \$1.50 to \$5.95. There is no denying the smartness a Handbag of silk will add to your Easter Costume. We have them in silk Moire and silk Poplin, in black, brown, navy and taupe, priced from \$3.50 to \$7.50.

Veils for Easter

Veils improve most hats, and most women would not mind to wear a veil perpetually, as the Turkish do, if they found veils to suit their taste. We have for Easter some very new ideas and a most choice assortment, 50c to \$2.50. Also veiling by the yard.

Easter Handkerchiefs

Certainly at no time can anyone have too many Handkerchiefs. Especially at Easter time will you want a plain white linen or one attractively embroidered in color to tuck in the pocket of your suit. Just now we have a very fine variety from which we are sure you will find it a real pleasure to choose.

Easter Jewelry

and about the smartest things in this line are jade Medallions or strands of bright colored beads. We have both types and many others that you should see before deciding that your wants are complete.

Umbrellas are like books--people very seldom return them.

Maybe you have had the sorry experience of loaning out the last available umbrella and then found out that you had none for yourself when you wanted to venture out. At any rate an extra one is always desirable and this is an excellent time to buy. In addition to the regular black, we have them in Navy, Green and Silk Plaid. \$3.00 to \$8.95.

BEGINNING APRIL 7th THIS STORE WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

H. E. McAllister & Co.

33 S. Main Street Downers Grove, Ill. Telephone 190

S. Andrew's Church

EASTER DAY

7:30 A. M. HOLY COMMUNION.
11:00 A. M. CHORAL EUCHARIST AND SERMON.
5:00 P. M. CHURCH SCHOOL EASTER FESTIVAL.

"The Lord Is Risen Indeed"

Jesus Christ has brought to us this day life and immortality. There is power in this central fact of Christianity. There is inspiration in this keystone in the arch of Christian truth.

Garden and Field Seeds

GARDEN TOOLS
SPADES, SPADING FORKS
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FINEST MIXTURE OF LAWN SEED
POULTRY WIRE AND POULTRY FEED

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