

1896.

The local events of the year just passed, were not very numerous or startling to the outside world.

January 7th the council passed the \$4.00 per annum water meter ordinance; the 14th Mrs. Gen. Flint and family left for Florida; the 16th "Amber", so well and widely known as a graceful and brilliant writer, died in St. Luke's Hospital; the 18th Henry B. Chandler, brother of H. H. Chandler and father of Mrs. W. C. Egan, died in Yonkers, N. Y. The fire in C. W. Aldridge's store came the 31st.

Feb. 1st S. R. Binham died, giving the people of this city such a surprise and shock as they had seldom known; the 9th Jonas Steers died after a long illness. He was one of the founders of the town and the Baptist church. Wm. M. Dooley was confirmed as postmaster by the Senate, and Rev. John J. Elmendorf formerly acting rector of Trinity church, died in Chicago, Feb. 16th; on the 18th there was a blizzard; Cornelius R. Field celebrated his birthday the 29th, an opportunity he gets only once in four years.

St. Patrick's day came on the 17th of March, and on the 18th occurred the death of C. Granville Hammond, suddenly, in the depot in Chicago, one of the Park's very best men. Heavy thunderstorms on the 28th; Charles Henry Warren and Anna Rhees Hammond were married the 31st by R. v. H. W. Reid, of Waukegan, as were also James B. Woodworth and Miss Lulu Carmen of Benton.

April 11th came the township High School election, when the alert citizens of West Deerfield "cleaned out" the astute political managers in this vicinity, by electing C. B. Easton and C. W. Pettis as trustees; the 12th was "Father Bingham's" birthday, 89 years old, born in 1807 about two years older than Gladstone; city election came the 21st, Aldermen Fritsch, Phillips, Cushman and Obee were elected.

On the 15th of May began the Quarter-Centennial celebration of the Baptist Church.

June 9th Military Academy Com-

mencement; Lake Forest college commencement came the 10th; Will P. Morgan, oldest son of Capt. O. H. Morgan, died in Asheville, N. C., the 14th of June; Mrs. Cortlandt Babcock, July 15th.

August 26th "Gus," M. Moses and Son's clerk, disappeared: Sept. 26th Isabel R. Cray and Charles Horot of Chicago, were married; October 12th Rozill Cunningham and W. D. Alford were married, and O. A. Alford, one of the oldest and best known citizens, died; the 17th came the first snow and that night the first killing frost; Mrs. F. D. Everett and Mrs. James Warren both died Oct. 22nd, and that whole week, St. Mary's church held a \$500. fair.

Nov. 3rd McKinley carried the Park and the country; the 9th a cablegram was received, announcing Mrs. Humble's death at sea; the 31st Lyman Wilmot died, aged 90 years; the 26th was Thanksgiving, and pastor Thoren preached to 73 persons out of a population of 2500; Dec. 4th the first issue of the News appeared, hailed with delight; the Baptist ladies held a Dutch Market and cleared over \$100; the 8th John Skidmore died at Ravenswood, aged 66 years; the 10th the Presbyterian ladies cleared \$92 at a bazaar at Mrs. Dr. Bergen's; the 15th, Dr. Thomas Hall lectured on "Some Problems of the Reformation", very fine; the 13th William Booth died, 83 years old; George Kenman lectured the 19th; the 22nd Arthur S. DuBois was married at Ypsilanti, Mich., to Miss Amanda M. Robbins; the 31st the Club gave a grand Reception to the officers and ladies of Fort Sheridan.

Au Revoir, 1896; welcome 1897.

The fame of the Highland Park News spreads far and near, with great rapidity and effectiveness. We have just received a very fine counting-room calendar from Henry Stowell & Son, printers of Troy, N. Y. Somewhere they saw a copy of the News and liked it so well, they sent on this elegant, embossed specimen of their work. We never saw or heard of them, but they have heard of us. Truly said the old Latin poet, "Terrible est fama!"

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