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THAT COLLEGE AGAIN.

We have made some little investigation of this United Evangelical college matter, of which we spoke a week or two since. We find that Dixon has offered the board of managers a campus and building all equipped and in running order free, with perhaps some money bonus in addition. Freeport is considering the plan of providing a campus of ten acres, and a money gift or bonus of \$30,000 to erect and equip a suitable building. Whether they would insist on an equal amount of money and land here, or not, we cannot say, but they would of necessity need a campus and about that sum of money to put the school in running order, and we cannot expect them to come here on a much smaller financial basis than they will get elsewhere, for while the Park is an ideal place, a college cannot exist wholly on ideals.

Hence the question for the people of this city is this: Do we want that college enough to raise \$25,000 to \$30,000 in cash for it? The denomination won't come here or go anywhere else empty-handed, of course. They will raise and invest \$100,000 as a permanent endowment fund, the income of which, in addition to tuition fees, shall be used to pay professors' salaries, and other current expenses. As to the number of students, we can only say that before the split in the denomination a few years ago, Naperville gave \$25,000 to secure their old college there, and there were from 300 to 400 students at the time of the split, as students went there from all over the Illinois conference. We think it could safely rely on from 150 to 200 students from abroad in a year or two from the opening, with a slow and steady increase. This would mean, of course a large increase in population to our city of educated men and women and those seeking an education, also very many families who would come here for the sake of educating their children, and for the sake also of living in a college town. These are the plain unvarnished facts as to the school and its natural results on the town, as anyone knows who is familiar with such things.

The one problem for us then is this, Do we want it enough to put up the requisite sum of money? Of course a committee of citizens would be associated with the board of managers in spending this money, to see that it was used for exactly the purpose for which it was raised. Dixon and Freeport will decide about Feb. 1, 1898, as to what they will do, and we may add they are both very anxious for the school.

A SKATING RINK.

The rink is in full blast. It is on Mrs. Van Schaick's vacant lot, opposite N. Corwith's on Vine avenue, a plate 200x300 feet in size, lighted with some 25 incandescent lamps, has a neat and comfortable house for putting on and off skates, and getting warm or resting—all in charge of a permanent attendant, always on hand to see that everything is in first class order. The terms, we understand are, for a bachelor \$2.00, for a family of two it is \$3.00, and for a larger family \$5.00 for the season—may it be long and cold. Thus far it has proved a grand success. The officers are Kenneth Boulton,

president; Herbert Hipwell, secretary, and Russell D. Hill, treasurer. The tickets are selling well.

THE CLUB.

THE SHIELDS-HALL RECEPTION.

Mrs. James H. Shields, gave a reception Wednesday afternoon, from four until six, to Mrs. Robert H. Hall, of Fort Sheridan. Of the 250 invitations issued, by far the larger portion were accepted. It was in the best sense a "home gathering," all the guests being from the Park and Fort Sheridan, which is really a social annex to the Park. Nearly all the society people of this city were there, and many from the Fort, among whom we noticed: Captains Price, Grimes, Webster, Wainwright, Brown, with their ladies, Lieut. Wolf, and some others whose names we did not learn. Indeed, the attendance from the Fort was large, embracing all the prominent people there, including Rev. Father Vatman, the post chaplain, and his associate, Father Fitzgerald, recently appointed to service in the army. The rooms were beautifully decorated with holly and palms. Mrs. Shields was gowned in grey cloth, trimmed with white satin front and fur. Mrs. Hall was in white brocade satin and dutchess lace. Miss Eva Wycoff, with Mrs. Benj. Jones as accompanist, sang four solos in her usually artistic manner, to the great satisfaction of the guests. The dining room was very beautiful, and elicited a great deal of praise. It is so neat and cozy in itself, that when decorated with such skill and taste in the colors of the occasion—red and green—as it was Wednesday, it is very striking. The ladies who poured were, Mrs. Tillman, Mrs. Francis Jones, Mrs. Viele, and Mrs. Dr. Newman. The Misses Boulton, Van Schaick, Towner, Bubb and Minor assisted. Allowing us to be judge, it was the social function of the season; everything passed off so smoothly and satisfactorily, that the memory of the afternoon can afford only pleasure.

NOTES.

The "Bachelors" gave a dance at the club house, last week Thursday evening.

Miss Turnley and Mr. Milton Lightner gave a dance at the club house, Wednesday evening, to the young people.

This Friday evening, the club give their usual New Year's eve reception at the club house. They will see the old year out and welcome the new one in a manner befitting the dignity of the club and the importance of the "coming guest." T. Barbour Brown is chairman of the committee in charge, is ably assisted, and that means a success.

The Ossoli club will hold its next regular meeting Thursday afternoon, Jan. 6. The chief paper, "Music," will be by Mrs. Charles Everett, one most certainly competent to treat that broad and comprehensive subject. By the way, why is not music made more prominent in our public schools? Perhaps it is more so than we think.

The many friends of Mrs. Wycoff will be glad to know that she has so improved under her treatment at a private hospital in Chicago, that she came home yesterday, greatly to her own satisfaction, as well as the delight of her family.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. H. Greenslade is on the sick list.

Mrs. Ed. Ingalls is visiting her mother in Joliet.

Rev. George W. Colman of Lake Forest, was a visitor Sunday.

Miss Helen Morgan is home with her parents, spending the holidays.

Ex-mayor and Mrs. Roche of Chicago were in the Park over Sunday.

Miss Emily Erskine spent Christmas with her mother in Waukegan.

Mrs. A. G. Pherson is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Walker from New York.

James M. Bilharz spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents in Waukegan.

Mrs. H. R. Green entertained her son Fred and family of Chicago, Christmas.

Rev. A. A. Pfanstiehl is on the sick list and was unable to preach last Sunday.

Miss Alice Whitson, who attends school in Ogontz, Pa., is home for the holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stubbs are spending the holidays at Mr. Stubbs' old home in Ohio.

Dr. and Mr. H. D. Hull are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Baker.

Dr. Fernald is at his home in Joliet, where he is spending the holidays with his mother.

Paul and Harvey, Mrs. Quiston of Chicago, formerly of this city, are the guests of F. B. Green.

Miss Bertha Heindrichs was a visitor here Saturday and Sunday, the guest of Miss May Rudolph.

This evening Mrs. Clara Smith will give a dancing party in honor of her daughter, Miss Laura.

Mrs. Dr. Morrison of Winnetka spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. M. H. Baker, in this city.

Mrs. Bingham spent Christmas with her children in Chicago, and had a delightful family reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warren entertained their Sunday School classes at their home, Tuesday night.

A few of the young people of the German Evangelical church enjoyed a bus ride to Northfield, Christmas eve.

Captain Jamieson, of the arsenal, Watertown, Mass., spent the holidays with his wife, at her mother's, Mrs. Floyd.

Miss Eva Egan, who has been away at school, is spending the holiday vacation with her parents at Egandale.

Miss Easter Holmes represents Highland Park at the state teachers' convention being held this week in Springfield.

Miss Jennie Finney of Waukegan is spending the holidays with her cousins, the Misses Finney on the Sheridan road.

Mrs. John Grant, who has been seriously ill for some little time, is rapidly recovering and will soon be able to be about again.

James Everett, who attends the Chester, Pa., Military College, is spending the holiday season with his father, Francis D. Everett.

The many friends of Mrs. Allen, who has been sick for many months, were pleased to see her our Tuesday, the first time since she was taken ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warren spent Christmas with relatives in Evanston.

Miss May Palmeter of Winthrop, Iowa, is visiting with her sister, Miss Nellie.

J. B. Runey and wife spent Christmas and Sunday with Mrs. Runey's brother in Chicago.

Miss Cora Maxwell of Lake Forest visited with Miss Nellie Rudolph Thursday afternoon.

Woodruff Ball, formerly a resident of the Park, visited here with his many friends this week.

The editor of the News was a welcome visitor at the German service of the First United Evangelical church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Gill of Hyde Park, Chicago, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenslade Saturday and Sunday, returning to their home Monday.

Miss Eva Wycoff, who formerly sang so acceptably for our Presbyterian friends, is now leading singer in the Cathedral of the Holy Name, on the North side, Chicago.

Miss Helen Boulton gave a beautiful home party at her father's spacious home on Prospect avenue, Tuesday evening, the 28th inst. Those present report a happy time. There were a few from out of town.

John Peschman of St. Louis, a traveling man, and Joseph Peschman a theological student of the Northwestern University of Evanston, cousins of Fred W. Schumacher, called on the genial druggist Tuesday.

Acting Pastor A. A. Pfanstiehl will not be well enough to fill his pulpit Sunday next. While he is doing reasonably well, his physician, Dr. Bergen, wisely refuses to allow any chance of a relapse and a long period of convalescence.

FIRST UNITED EVAN. CHURCH.

Last week Thursday evening the church was well filled with men, women and children to enjoy the Christmas exercises. Twenty five children spoke, the choir rendered special songs led by Pastor Thoren. Irvin Evans gave a lively violin solo.

When the program proper ended, Mr. C. A. Kuist, the sup't, assisted by other officers of the school, distributed the presents and everybody received apples and candy. Pastor Thoren was remembered with a purse of \$15.25, and organists, Misses Mabel Brand and Minnie Streiber, each received a new \$5.00 bill. Everybody seemed happy. The special offering for missions amounted to \$7.75.

The tree was beautifully decorated, and two stars in the upper corners of the pulpit recess threw their colored light upon the many presents below. A large chimney reminded all of old Santa's habit, and the Christmas, festively closed with blessed impressions, leaving a memory of an evening well spent and enjoyed.

It looks as though the Loyering affair up at the Fort had not spent its force. Corp. John T. Ward is put on trial for some offense, and it is the common talk that the real offense was his testimony against Capt. Loyering, at the time of his trial. It may become the duty of the war department to have matters up there all overhauled before a civil court, where military favoritism is unknown.

THE ELECTRIC ROAD.

"All aboard for Highwood and Fort Sheridan," will be the sonorous and welcome cry that will salute the public Tuesday or Wednesday, as the first trip on the new Bluff City railroad is made. About a year has elapsed since the matter began in earnest by the present efficient manager, President C. E. Loss, and his associates, and New Years day, 1898, sees the road completed. This is an achievement over which the company may feel proud, and one over which the citizens of the Park, Highwood and Fort Sheridan may well congratulate themselves. The News extends its congratulations on the proud success of the enterprise and bespeaks for it an equally, if not more flattering success in the long years of the future.

The new passenger car came Wednesday. It is from the well known car works of the J. G. Brill Car company of Philadelphia, about 25 feet long, vestibuled, electric lighted, finely upholstered, all in the most thorough manner—a good-sized coal heater, cash boxes, brakes, sand boxes and everything belonging to an up-to-date car. Passengers can ride in it just as comfortably as in the best railway coaches of the land. It is equipped with two of the best electric motors.

Thus a trip on it will open up to our people the beautiful scenery between the Park and the stations north. Some of them will see for the first time the marvelous growth of Highwood since the days when all north of the Breakwell store was a howling wilderness, save President Hogan's residence and some vacant houses. There are large substantial stores and ware houses on that street now, besides new residences and the finest city hall in the county, one that would ornament any city in northern Illinois. People along the route can take the cars at their own doors, come down here for an hour or two and go back with no long wearying walk from the train to their homes. Rab for the electric road. Fare only five cents anywhere on the line now built.

SWEDISH M. E. SOCIETY.

A hall beautifully decorated with evergreens of various kinds, and two trees groaning beneath their burden of good things for the little ones, greeted those who attended the Christmas exercises of the Swedish M. E. society at their quarters on Central avenue, Monday evening; and a numerous crowd it was, many not being able to gain admittance. The program, one of good length, consisted of speaking by the youngsters, dialogues, etc., in both English and Swedish, and several selections by the choir of the Evanston Swedish M. E. church, which delighted all lovers of music and was most liberally applauded. The affair was notable for many reasons, among them the smoothness with which everything passed off, the familiarity of those taking part with their lines, and the general good nature which prevailed—a "peace on earth, good will to men" sort of a feeling, which reminded one of the cause of the celebration without referring to the trees. At the close of the exercises a collection for the benefit of the school was taken which netted nearly \$9.00. All in all, it was one of the most enjoyable affairs of the kind ever held in the Park and one which it is hoped that wide awake society will repeat.

Following are a few of our customers who are using Sunshine stoves:

James Larkin
Dr. T. D. Conger
T. F. Clayton
H. L. Bowen
H. Duck
W. E. Egan
Fred Greenslade
J. Hessler
Miss LaBar
B. F. Schumacher
Charles H. Baker
W. W. Boyington
Dr. Ingalls
G. D. Boulton
Charles Larson
J. Blackler
G. L. Sites
M. Dugan
A. S. Campbell
J. C. Coe
Mrs. Duffy
William Smith
City Hall
M. Mott
James McNeill
J. S. Trill
J. F. Rice
M. Rogan
E. Thoren
John Rudolph
Colonel Davidson
A. J. St. Peter
Mrs. A. Bock
Mrs. J. Grant
Miss Erskine
B. F. Gump
L. H. Yoe
H. Hartouff
M. Corwith
M. Gibbs
R. J. Street
R. G. Chandler
Mrs. D. C. Purdy
Mrs. P. Dooley
O. B. Brand
M. Cassch
J. Burk
George Smith, Sr.

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