

E. H. PURDY,

DEALER IN BICYCLES AND WHEEL SUPPLIES.

The bicycle trade has reached large and attractive proportions in Highland Park and no local concern is so well prepared to meet all demands than E. H. Purdy, whose wheel house is headquarters for all the cyclists of the North Shore. Mr. Purdy handles several of the best known and most satisfactory makes of wheels and carries an unusually full and complete line of sundries, supplies and repairs. His shop is fitted for the prompt execution of all classes of repair work, and his handy assistants display an unusual degree of skill. For the past four years Mr. Purdy has been the acknowledged leader of the wheel trade in this vicinity and is a bright, active and successful young business man who enjoys the respect and confidence of both old and young in this city. It should be remembered that Mr. Purdy makes a specialty of vulcanizing tires and he has the only facilities for this class of work between Evanston and Waukegan.

W. J. OBEЕ.

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR.

Few public works contractors along the North Shore enjoy a more extended acquaintance or substantial business reputation than Mr. W. J. Obee of Highland Park. For several years Mr. Obee has done a large portion of the public work in this vicinity. This fact is due to his unusual facilities, ample resources and thorough understanding of all details of his intricate business, which in the hands of a less capable man would have materially suffered during the long continued depression. Mr. Obee devotes a large share of his attention to private contracts in mason work of all kinds and he has been instrumental in the construction of all buildings of note erected in this vicinity during recent years. In local affairs Mr. Obee has taken an active and important part. He is now serving acceptably as alderman from the 4th ward and his practical advice and suggestions are of material assistance to his associates in the

council, and through them to our tax payers. Alderman Obee is a large employer of labor, a first-class citizen and a public officer whose highest aim seems to be the substantial advancement of his home town.

JOHN MIDDLETON,

COAL, LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL.

For the past ten years the name of John Middleton has been a prominent one in the commercial circles of the North Shore, and so firmly has his trade become established that his present illness and consequent inability to give his personal attention to the wants of his customers appear to make little difference with the volume of business transacted. The fuel department of Mr. Middleton's concern is under the capable and efficient direction of Mr. T. M. Clark, who is one of our best known citizens and is city collector, which important office he fills with entire satisfaction to the public. The office of the lumber and building material department is under the energetic oversight of Miss Mary Middleton, whose services in the care of her father's large interests are performed in a satisfactory and intelligent manner. Mr. Middleton deals in all the best grades of coal, wood and coke, and handles every variety of rough and dressed lumber, building material and builders supplies.

ROBERT WOODS,

Mr. Woods is one of our oldest citizens and business men. He came to Highland Park twenty five years ago, when this was a small and almost unknown village. In the growth and progress of our beautiful town he has taken an active part and interest. Mr. Woods is a skilled and thorough mechanic. He is a reliable and satisfactory carpenter and upholsterer. He has faculties for all kinds of repair work and will promptly cut, sew and lay carpets. His shop is at 315 Central ave., where you are invited to call.

MRS. A. BOCK,

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES.

It was once popularly believed that no woman could successfully conduct a mercantile business of any magnitude, but the people of Highland Park do not entertain any such idea after visiting and patronizing the extensive dry goods and grocery emporium owned and directed by Mrs. A. Bock. This estimable lady is a trained and thorough business woman and she has for the past seven years successfully met all forms of competition and today enjoys one of the largest business followings on the North Shore. Her splendid double stores are filled to their utmost capacity with staple and fancy merchandise shrewdly bought and profitably sold. On the right is a store devoted to dry goods, notions and ladies' wear, of which she has a splendid and up-to-date stock. The left hand store is devoted to the grocery department, and its shelves and counters are filled to their utmost capacity with the best grades and brands of groceries and provisions. The entire establishment is under the watchful eye and capable direction of Mrs. Bock, whose remarkable success it is a pleasure for the NEWS to chronicle.

GIESER BROS.

MEAT MARKET.

The butchers are the missionaries of home-comfort and the apostles of good cheer, for upon them depends the health and happiness of all mankind. The widely known and prosperous market business conducted by Gieser Bros. has been established here for seven years, and during that time our people have learned where to go for the tenderest cuts, and the most up-to-date article of merit and delicacy ensconced in tin. In the carrying on of this flourishing business five employes are required. As might be expected this splendid market is also headquarters for poultry, fish, eggs and butter of the freshest kinds. The market is handsomely furnished and is kept scrupulously clean and inviting. The proprietors are capable and clever business men of high standing in our commercial circles. They fully deserve the fine trade they enjoy after these years of hard work.