

**OSSOLI EVENTS.**

The Ossoli club held its eighth regular meeting Thursday afternoon, February second, at half after three o'clock in the Highland Park club house.

The Rev. P. C. Wolcott was the essayist of the afternoon, and he delighted his hearers with a most finished paper on "William Dean Howells." He showed that fiction had always been a means of expression by all peoples, but that the novel in its present form did not appear until the last century, Jane Austen being the mother of English prose fiction and the realistic novel and that William Dean Howells is the logical evolution of the realism of Miss Austen, with a nineteenth century environment. The music of the afternoon was given by Miss Priscella Carver, who played the first movement of Mendelssohn's concerto. Tea was served by Mrs. Wilcox and Miss Everett.

**THAT TESTIMONIAL.**

The NEWS-LETTER is gratified to learn that the suggestion made in these columns last week, that Messrs Van Riper, Baker and Perryman be tended a testimonial in recognition of their heroism has met with decided approval and a goodly sum has already been subscribed. The movement has not yet, however, become sufficiently general.

Subscriptions so far are for liberal amounts, but those who have been foremost in the matter would like to see a number of smaller amounts subscribed, so that the testimonial should be more generally representative of the feelings of all classes in the community who alike admire personal courage and have a pride in its recognition. The amount you may subscribe does not matter, but the fact of your having done so is all important. Put your name on the list

Mr. W. Secor Cunningham visited the Park on Thursday.

A special "Ossoli" number of this paper in the near future is under consideration.

Mr. Chas. Palmer is building several fast yachts at his headquarters here in the Park.

**Ravinia.**

Mr. Heathcote talks of returning

Miss Marian Kellogg is kept home from the high school with a threatening of mumps.

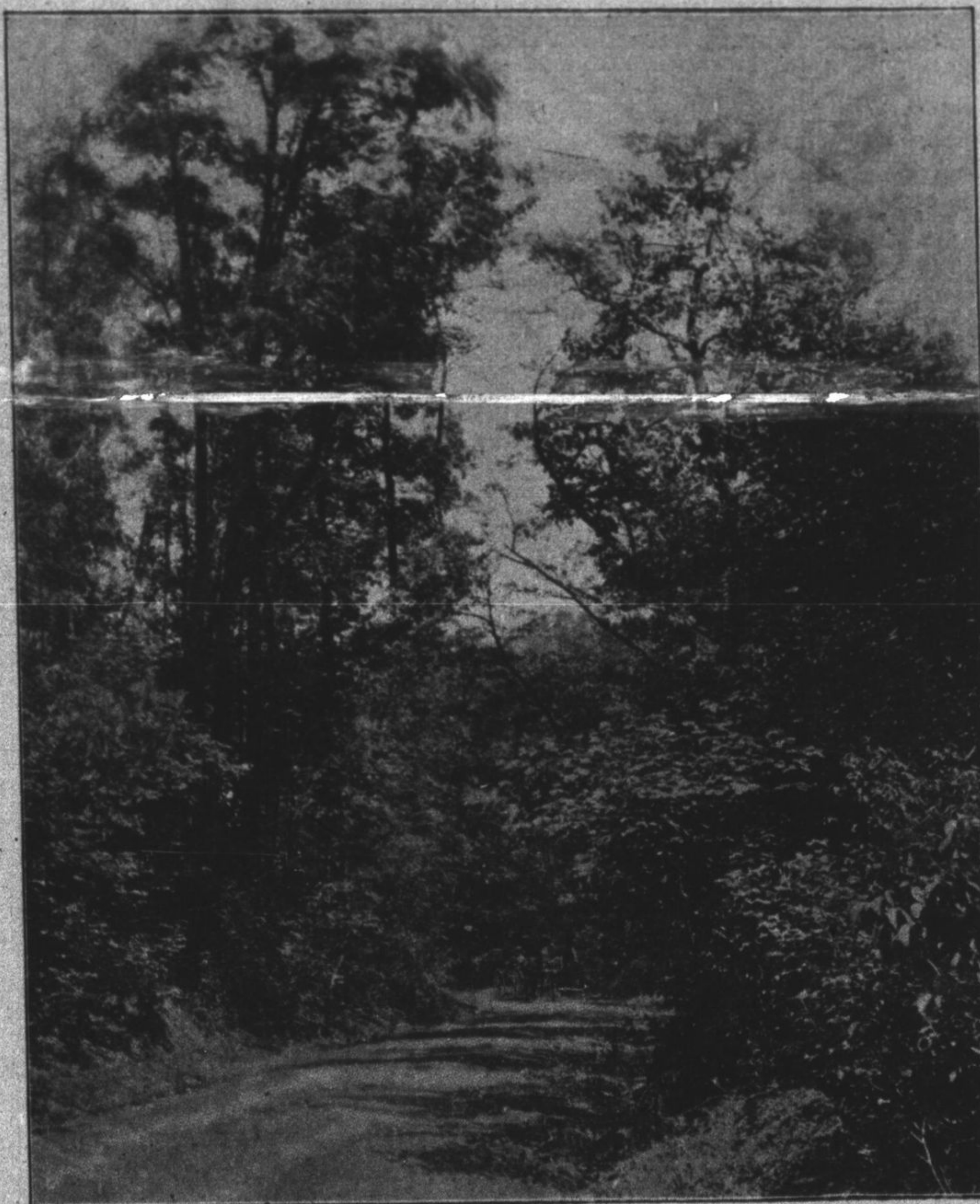
Mrs. and Mrs. Leslie are among the new settlers in Ravinia, also Mr. and Mrs. Denmark.

**Lakeside**

Burglars entered the summer night.

Miss Lovejoy of Winnetka is staying with Mrs. J. Cunningham.

Mr. V. Welhoffen's baby is very sick with the croup.



A VIEW OF THE RAVINE DRIVE, FORT SHERIDAN.

Many inmates of the Railroad Mens' Home speak with enthusiasm of the new management.

An Epworth League social was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Gross Friday evening.

Mr. J. C. Coe celebrated his 73rd birthday last Wednesday in conjunction with that of the father of his country.

**WINNETKA WHIST CLUB.**

The Whist club numbers over forty members, among whom are several of the most skilled players on the North Shore. The Cinch club organization is already very strong and has a tendency to prevent the Whist club membership from becoming too large for convenient entertainment at the members' homes.