Mr. Gerald Van Schaiek spent Sunday last in the Park.

Miss Kate Floyd has been quite ill this week with la grippe.

Mr. Ralph Thorn left on Thursday for Racine, where he is attending school.

Miss Munson, whose father used to be stationed at Fort Sheridan, visited Miss Prall last week.

If these first two weeks in Jaunary, 1900, don't suit you, enlist for the Philippine war and take your chances.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merry veather of Chicago spent Saturday last with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Merryweather in the Park.

Miss Chandler gave a luncheon on Friday last to Chicago friends. Miss Chandler left the Park on Monday for a visit with friends in Michigan.

At their annual meeting the forlowing officers were elected of the Ebenezer Sunday school: Superintendent, O. B. Brand; Vice-superintendent, J. J. Brand; Secretary, G. L. Vetter; Treasurer, J. Vetter; Librarian, Robert Bock; assistant, F. Sack.

The American Express Co, are thinking of putting a wagon in the Park to deliver express parcels from the depot to Park people free of charge. This move looks like an intention to injure Mr. James Duffy's trade. As Mr. Duffy is pretty popular here it will be hard to seriously cripple his business in any way like this move on the part of the American Express people.

The North Shore Chapter, D. A. R., held the January meeting at Mrs. Francis Thorn's on last Monday. A goodly number was present and the afternoon was both pleasant and profitable. Brief papers were read by Mrs. Lasher, Mrs. Schumacher, Miss Barlow and Mrs. Green, on patriotic songs and their writers. Mrs. Bubb of Fort Sheridan was elected a delegate to the continental congress.

In the account of the Episcopal church fire last week the introductory sentences may have have given the idea to some that the sorrow felt by the church members over the loss of the old house of worship in which

for so many years families have found much of that happiness that comes to those who meet in divine worship, was not appreciated by the writer of the NEWS-LETTER article. The sentiment attaching to memories of those who have in years past been with us in our church life, many of whom are now perhaps on that other shore, and memories of others who as leaders in the church life have strengthened us, all these memories must have come to all Episcopalians when two weeks ago their old church was destroyed. In as much as there will be a new and modern church edifice to replace the old the fire will prove a blessing to the church. But in all that pertains to sentiment arising from old associations the burning of the Trinity Episcopal church cannot but mean a personal loss to each church member, and the NEWS-LETTER hopes no one will misconstrue last weeks article.

ORDINANCE.

GRANTING RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES TO DAVID S. McMULLEN AND W. IRVING OSBORNE.

Be it ordained by he City Council of the City of Highland Park, Illinois:

SECTION 1 That permission and authority be, and the same hereby are, granted to David S. McMullen and W. Irving Osborne of the city of Evanston, Cook county, Illinois, and to such other person or persons as may now or hereafter become associated with them, and to their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns (hereinafter called the grantee) the right to construct, maintain and operate works for the production, and distribution of gas for heating, lighting, power and such other purposes as such gas may how or hereafter be applicable to and for: also the use and right of way are hereby granted said grantee along, upon and under all the streets, avenues, alleys and public grounds and public places now in said city or which may hereafter become a part of said city for the purpose of placing, maintaining, operating and repairing a line or lines of gas mains and branches therefor, and for all necessary connections, services, and return pipes and other apparatus, in connection therewith necessary or desirable for the practicable, commercial and effective distribution and utilization of gas for the purposes stated, and other purposes.

SEC. 2. That said grantee shall do no permanent injury to any street, sidewalk, alley, avenue, shade tree, public grounds or public places, or in any manner unnecessarily disturb or interfere with any water pipe, sewer, gas pipe, conduit or other under ground work now or hereafter laid by said City, or by any authorized company or corporation, and when said grantee shall open ground in any street, avenue or public place of said City, the grantee shall forthwith restore the said street, pavement, sidewalk, ground water pipes, conduit or other underground work to a condition equally as good as the same were immediately prior to the opening of said ground by said grantee; water to be furnished by the City ander the supervision of superintendent of water works of said City at the rate of ten (10) cents per thousand (1000) gallons, shall be used in filling and settling trenches, and if grantee fail or refuse to properly fill all trenches opened by them, the same may be filled by said City, and said grantee shall be liable for and pay the costs thereof.

SEC. 3. Said grantee shall not open or encumber more of any streets, avenue, alley or

public place at any one time than may be necessary to enable said grantee to proceed with advantage in the laying of such mains. pipes, tubing, feeding or service pipes, nor shall said grantee permit any such streets, avenues, alleys or public places to remain open or encumbered for a longer period than shall be necessary to complete the work for which the same shall have been opened, or without putting up the necessary barriers, or lights, to effectually prevent the happening of any accident in consequence of such opening or encumbering of such streets, avenues, alleys or public grounds.

SEC. 4. Said grantee shall lay their mains on such part or parts of the streets as the common council of such city shall designate, and shall furnish to said common council a chart showing the location of the entire system of mains, pipes and appurtenances at the time of the be-ginning of the manufacture or supply of gas, and when additions or extensions are made to said system, the grantee shall furnish said city council with charts of said extensions or additions as soon as said extension or additions are completed, or at such time as said city council shall designate.

SEC. 5. This ordinance is granted upon the express condition that said grantee shall, prior to December 1st, 1900 have laid in said city at least one (1) mile of gas mains, and prior to December 1st, 1901, shall have laid in said city three (3) miles of gas mains, and prior to said December 1st, 1901, shall also furnish gas to the inhabitants of said city.

SEC. 6 Said grantee shall hold and keep the city harmless from any and all damages which may result from carelessness, neglect or misconduct of any officer, agent, servant or employe of said grantee in the construction and operation of said work.

SEC. 7. Said grantee shall from time to time enlarge and extend its mains in said city, so that the grantee shall be able to supply all gas that may be required in said city by the inhabitants thereof for illuminating, heating and power, wherever there is a consumer for every one hundred and twenty-five [125] feet of main, and shall furnish the same at prices not to exceed that hereinafter provided; the gas to be furnished by said grantee under and in pur-suance of this ordinance shall be an illuminating gas of standard purity and quality, which shall have an illuminating power of not less than twenty [20] sperm candles. burning one hundred and twenty [120] grains per hour, and tested within the limits of said city by a standard flat flame burner, to consume for the purpose of this test five [5] cubic feet of gas per hour, which said gas shall have a distinctive odor, and shall be furnished to the citizens of Highland Park, at a price not to exceed one dollar and twenty-five cents [\$1.25] per one thousand [1000] cubic feet; should the city of Highland Park desire at any time during the life of this ordinance to purchase gas of said grantee for street lighting and municipal purposes, then said grantee shall furnish said gas for said street lighting and municipal at a price, terms and conditions not to exceed that charged by said grantee or their assigns for like service in the city of Wankegan, or any other city or village within a distance of twenty-five [25] miles of said Highland Park.

SEC. 8. This ordinance is granted upon the express condition that no works for the manufacture of gas shall be constructed or located by said grantee in said city, within the limits bounded on the north by Vine avenue and on the south by Lincoln avenue

SEC. 9. Within sixty, (60) days after the approval of this ordinance, said grantee shall file with the city clerk of said city, an acceptance in writing of all the terms and provisions herein, with a bond acceptable to the Mayor of said city, in the penal sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000,00) conditioned for the faithful performance of the terms and provisions of this ordinance; and a bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), acceptable to and approved by the mayor of said city, conditioned for the faithful performance by said grantee of the terms and provisions of this ordinance, shall be kept on file with the city clerk of said city, by the grantee, or their assigns, continuously during the life of this ordinance.

SEC. 10. Wherever the term grantee is used in this ordinance, the same shall include and apply to all their heirs, executors, administra tors, representatives and assigns, and to their associates, successors and assigns

SEC. 11. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and the acceptance thereof by said grantee, and the filing of the bond as provided in Sec. 9 above, and the rights and privileges herein contained are hereby granted for a period of forty-five (45) years from the passage of this ordinance; provided, however, that if the bond provided for by Sec. 9 above, shall not be filed by said grantee with the city clerk within sixty (60). days after the passage hereof, then this ordinance shall be of no force and effect, and all rights herein granted shall absolutely cease and determine. Passed January 2, 1900. Approved January, 9, 1900.

Attest, JOHN FINNEY, DANIEL COBB. City Clerk. Mayor