

A Card.

The members of the Highland Park fire department hereby wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Edward Laing for their kind hospitality and thoughtfulness in throwing open their home and serving hot coffee and lunch to the fire laddies during the fire at the Holmes cottage. Mrs. Laing may rest assured that her act of kindness will not soon be forgotten by the thoroughly wet and nearly frozen firemen.

HIGHLAND PARK FIRE DEP.
per Joseph Fromm.

Highwood.

Mrs. Davis, on Bloom street, is very ill.

Little Ester Hicks has been ill with pneumonia.

Miss Mabel Gray was a visitor in Highwood last Wednesday.

With the spring comes politics, and the two parties now being formed will be watched with great interest.

Miss Margaret Laudt is visiting with Miss Bell. Miss Laudt will go to Europe in April to be gone for a year or more.

On Friday evening, March 2, Mrs. Nelson Mowers, assisted by Mrs. B. O. Fritsch, will entertain the Sewing Circle and their friends.

The interior of the M. E. Church has all been cleaned, and the marks made by the eggs thrown at the temperance lecturer by some of the saloon friends have been obliterated.

On Sunday evening Mr. James Sheridan was gathered to "his fathers" after a severe illness of two weeks. Mr. Sheridan was one of Highwood's early settlers, and leaves three sons and two daughters.

The reaper death has been busy in Highwood this last week. He first claimed Mrs. H. S. Gail's mother, familiarly known as "grandma," who died Wednesday evening. Grandma was 86 years old and had been ailing for a long time. The burial was Saturday at Milburn.

Mrs. B. O. Fritsch entertained the the Sewing Circle last

Thursday afternoon. After the business was disposed of a program was rendered. One of the features was the singing of "Old John Brown" by the Sewing Circle. Miss Adams sang. Several of the ladies read selections, and with a little music the afternoon passed very pleasantly. After coffee and cake the meeting adjourned.

The Sheldon family were given quite a scare on finding one of their rooms up stairs on fire. The Highwood fire department responded very quickly, but Mr. Sheldon had quenched the fire before the department could be of any assistance.

Valentine's Day was celebrated by the Misses Bell in the form of a large party, in which some 40 young people participated. A valentine box, games and dancing were indulged in. A dainty supper to complete the program, and the "wee small hours" had come before any one thought seriously of going home. The Misses Bell are charming hostesses, as we all know.

Mrs. Frank Fritsch entertained the Sewing Circle on Washington's birthday. After the business meeting Mrs. Holabird read a story of a Southern darky, and it was very much enjoyed. The usual lunch followed and was as usual done justice to. There will be no afternoon meeting next week.

Leander McCormick, one of the brothers of the late Cyrus H. McCormick, died Tuesday in Chicago of pneumonia. He was 81 years old. The McCormicks put the grain and hay growers of America, and the world indeed, under everlasting obligations by their invention of the reaper and mower. They were the pioneers, and though others followed they blazed the way. He was a Virginian by birth and came to Chicago in 1848.

President Hogan of Highwood has sent us some copies of far-off Manila papers of the holiday time. One, the "Freedom," is a 12 page affair about the size of the "Evening Journal," printed on light-weight paper in pica type. It is full of news about the war. Among its editorial nuggets of

wisdom is the following: "There is no question that a girl never has too many dolls, and that a woman never has too many dollars. The latter fact may also apply to man." Then follow ads of steamships, drug stores, but biggest and most numerous of all are American whiskey and beer ads. Probably Manila has more saloons to the square mile than any town under the old flag.

Lake Forest.

Joseph Sheppers has rented Frank Parcell's green house and is getting ready to open business in the spring.

The Oriental Club will give a literary and musical entertainment at Forester's Hall on the evening of Feb. 28.

The White Ribbon Club, an organization of young girls, will give a fancy dress party at Blackler's Hall on the evening of February 27th.

The Bradleys moved to town this week. It is not likely that they will return to Forest until the new home now in contemplation is completed.

Old friends and neighbors of Mrs. Joseph O'Neil are glad to learn that she intends returning to her old home in Lake Forest, after several years absence.

James Gannon, Sr., accompanied his son, M. E. H. Gannon, who has been his guest for the past two weeks, to his home at Philipsburg, Montana. They left Thursday. Mr. Gannon will remain west until spring.

The younger members of the Catholic Women Foresters entertained their friends at a Martha Washington tea party on Thursday evening. The young ladies were all in colonial costumes, and the whole scene was most quaint and picturesque.

It was with the most profound regret that the news of the death of Mr. Leander McCormick was received in Lake Forest on Tuesday morning. For many years past Mr. McCormick has been closely identified with Lake Forest life and interests, and he will be generally missed when spring brings the city people back to their summer homes.