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Glencoe.

The various improvements of the school grounds suggest what might be done about the village park. The matter of some improvement in the planking of the electric railway tracks about Park avenue and the Northwestern station exits, is engaging the thoughts of the council committee on streets and alleys. The board of education has by a unanimous vote decided to pay for the putting in a sewer along the Greenwood avenue front of the school lot, and is contemplating putting in a cement walk along the Hazel avenue front. Wedding announcements are in order of late. On June 18th Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Barnett observed their wooden wedding by having a cozy dinner party, while on last Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Calhoun had a few friends in to dinner in honor of their tin wedding. A tin box of shining tin gifts, with accompanying and equally bright verses afforded much amusement. Harding & Nelson, sewer contractors, have made a fair beginning of their work at the foot of Hazel avenue where the cut is 21 feet,—about the depth of a two-storied house. The method is to make alternate cuts 16 foot lengths and then tunnel under the intervening 16 feet. They have found some very difficult Glencoe clay in the lower half of the trench. The stuff is not unlike the "gumbo" of the Dakota "bad lands" but rather worse. It is soft and tough like putty where found and can be cut out with a sharp spade. After exposure to air and sun for a day or it is as hard as an adobe brick. presents a surface fine and smooth as soapstone. In the order of nature nothing having been made in it (except the mosquito) this clay might be good for something. The problem is to find out what. If some Glencoe genius could discover the secret, the everlasting fortune of the town would be made. Inspector Sieber thinks it would make a good portland cement. That it would make tile, paving brick, window door lintels, paving stones, pottery ware, and could be worked and burned into all sorts of ornamental shapes is evident. The contractors have discovered that a small quantity of the stuff can be converted into a pay-roll with great facility. It is one of the interesting problems geology whence came this peculiar streak of gumbo that lies along North Shore, and how brought here. The comminuted limestone termixed indicates that it has been run through some of the mills God—perhaps the glacial—in cycles occupied in the preparation of sites for these suburbs. That explain the pulverization of the stuff but does not sufficiently explain clay. The men who have to dig out are of opinion that the stuff comes from regions not namable to polite, and the contractors wish back there with cordial good will.

The Glencoe hay-crop is being harvested and the merry ring of the mower's whetstone is abroad in the land. Along the principal streets the crop is unusually heavy. A cynical citizen says a mistake was made when Chancellor Jenks, Charles E. Browne, Dr. Nutt and other "fathers" of the town, undertook to convert the Gurnee farm into a city. Nature intended it the place for a cattle range and sticks to the original purpose with great persistency. Red clover and timothy are staple. Horseradish is a foreign innovation. Ragweed, Canada thistles, Russia milkweed and dandelions are interlopers. Dogs are indigenous; mosquitoes "to the manner born."

Our Friend "John."

When we came to our northern suburb, Highwood, in May, 1883, one of the first men whose acquaintance we made was John H. Chapman, a Lake county young man. He began his public career on a tin peddler's cart, and about Waukegan, where his widowed mother and younger brothers lived. The first thing he did was to wash and paint the peddler's cart, wash and oil the harness, and feed the horse more oats. That fact led the late D. M. Erskine, Sr. to remark that "John Chapman would make a successful man." Some way he got a job in Dr. Price's employ and learned all about the manufacture of Dr. Price's baking powder, extracts, etc., and then became possessed of the idea to start out in business "on his own hook," and he and Charles H. Smith formed a partnership and went to making powder, honest German 16 ounces to the pound, and sell to the consumer at 25 cents a pound can. Of course that left them no big margin of profit for their name, and for big expensive advertising.

When we first knew them, 17 years ago, they were just getting started; had a little 16x18 foot office on second floor, and made their goods in a loft reached by a ladder, and we could not see any possibility of success. But "John" was optimistic and worked—work is no name for it—one, four, six, and we know not how many more months without taking out a dollar to live on. How he did it, we never knew. It was a tremendous struggle, in face of the world-wide fame of the Price Royal and other high priced powders, but Chapman & Smith believed the great mass of the average American people would use an honest, pure and reasonable priced article, and they worked, steadily gaining ground, like Grant in Virginia, what they gained they never lost, and in three or four years were on Lake street on the ground floor, with parts of one or two upper floors. In 1886 we induced them to make an exhibit in the Minneapolis exposition, of which we were the general manager, which with its immense attendance and phenomenal success, made their goods known all over the northwest. In a few years more they moved over on the west side for more room.

A few weeks ago we went over there, 187 West Randolph street, just beyond the policemen's monument in Haymarket square, for the season's supply of extracts, spices, baking powders, etc., for the Ravinook summer loaders want the very best, and found "John" still forging ahead. In 1883 one little room for an office, shipping room; no clerks, errand boys, etc. In 1900, two big five-story buildings extending through from street to street, clerks, bookkeepers, typewriters, analytical chemists, twenty or thirty in number, workmen by the score, their own plant of ice, chemical laboratory. Mr. Chapman spent an hour showing us over the establishment. Instead of a few cans of baking powder, they put it up by the ton every day, grind 30 to 40 barrels of icing or powdered sugar every day and can't keep up with their orders. We saw thousands of dollars worth of vanilla beans in fire, frost and damp-proof vaults. One thing interested us; several big tanks, like the box of an express wagon, filled with "pie fillings" of that day's make, so that all the good housewife has to do is to make, roll out and put in the baking plate her pie crusts, then go to the pail of lemon, orange, apple or other filling, put in what she likes, place in the oven and the range does the rest. And their goods sell all the way across this continent and in foreign countries as well. But best of all "John" and Mrs. John are Christians in spirit. We spent an hour last Sunday in their

beautiful and hospitable home on West Monroe street; and he is president of the B. Y. P. U. of America, and their money, talents and influence belong to the Lord and his

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