

Mrs. Benidict gave a small reception to Miss Bula Bass who is their guest. Miss Bass will be remembered as a former teacher in the Grammar school.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Evans of Chicago, spent Sunday with their father, Mr. R. G. Evans.

Miss Howells, Miss Boyd and daughter, have left for California.

A Word to Highland Park Advertisers.

Just at this time when so many of our merchants are using space in the News-Letter for advertising purposes, I believe the following paragraph taken from Franklin Hobbs Magazine "Himself" and his staff will be helpful.

The mere purchase of a piece of cloth does not necessarily mean a handsome and well fitting suit of clothes. You would laugh at a man who would buy a watch case and put a peanut in it and carry it around in his vest pocket in order to know the time of day whenever he wanted to. Such a man might be mildly insane, but the man who buys space, valuable space, and throws a handful of

without considering who is going to read his "ad," and what effect it will have upon them is more than mildly insane.

An advertiser often prepares copy for an "ad" which sounds all right to him, but he forgets sometimes that he is not one of his own customers, and that he looks at things from an entirely different view point. He knows the nature of his prospective customers, but he does not know "ad" writing well enough as a rule to make the "ad" fit the customer.

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The following debates will be held in April: Waukegan-Deerfield; New Trier-Deerfield. The Deerfield preliminaries will take place a week from Friday. The subject of the debates will be Municipal Ownership. The new entries, Miss Ella Conrad, Mr. Wm. Lowrie, and Mr. R. bert Golberg.

The Junior prom will take place after Lent.

The High School has started rehearsing the cantata "The Wreck of the Hesperus" to be prepared for the graduation exercises.

The faculty gave their first monthly informal dance last Friday afternoon. Music by the school orchestra.

The tract team are doing excellent work. Ray, Gerry and Brehmer starring.

There was no school Wednesday. I wonder why.

The following is the Deerfield High School schedule of games: Saturday, February 9th. D. F. H. S. 52. Kenosha 28. Wednesday, Feb. 7th. D. F. H. S. 2nd teams 35 N. M. A. 2nd teams 17.

FORT SHERIDAN NEWS

Sergeant Grabo has finally spent a few of his hard earned dollars and bought a piano, and he and his friends have had some rousing time during the past few days. Grbao is going to invest in a mouth harp he think it easier to play.

Corporal Murphy says that he will not take his ration in the coral and that they cannot make him and before he does he will resign his commission and return to his beans in Boston.

Now you mark my word, I'll, transfer just as sure as fate.

Sergeant Prier of Troop "A" Cavalry made a trip to Indianapolis last week.

The bachelors of the officers club gave a dance on Wednesday eve.

It has come as quite a suprise to all who know Musican Purvis of the Battery to learn that he is quite an able composor of popular airs, he has turned out two or three catchy little songs and at present is working on a new one entitled "It is not so bad, it might be worse" and there is no doubt but that the title is well chosen. Purvis is quite talented in other directions also being able to quote Mother Goose rhymes at will, and with all this he is an accomplished pianst.

THE SOLDIER IN UNIFORM

TO THE EDITOR:—Some time ago there appeared a paragraph in this column pertaining to the prejudiced feeling of a certain element against the soldier. In another column the matter was taken up by the Editor of this paper, who took the

same basis as only one who wears livery by saying "that coachman and policemen of our great cities were subject to this same feeling."

In the first place a coachman or a policeman wears his uniform from choice and he may give it up and seek more respectable employment at any time, where a soldier cannot, for he enlists for three years and three years he stays whether he likes it or not. Not that I place them all upon the same level, for I most emphatically do not. However, if a coachman or a policeman is subject to this feeling they should make no objection for it is entirely their own fault as they can quit their job and a soldier cannot.

Of course strictly speaking, the term livery can be applied to our uniform, but in the general sense it pertains to menials, coachmen, valets etc., and in my estimation it is a poor way to apply the term. If, on the other hand it is livery, then its the livery of our nation and one which some of our greatest and noblest men have been proud to wear.

I met an acquaintance of mine in Highland Park, who told me that I could not accompany her home, not that she herself had any objections to me or the uniform but that if any of her friends saw her with a soldier they would not have anything further to do with her. There is a young lady who hasn't the courage of her convictions, and I contend that any one who would slight her for that is not worthy of her acquaintance and that she might as well be without their friendship and say "good riddance to bad rubbish."

The uniform of the United States Army is not a badge of dishonor and sometime in the future when the country's safety is in danger and it is up to the men who wear our uniforms to defend it, the people will realize this more fully.

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soldier friend in defence of the men of the army and their uniform. Certainly the United States Army uniform is not a badge of dishonor. The true soldier will feel that is an honor to wear it and that he is proud to wear it over an honest heart and a gentlemanly conduct. We repeat that we have known many of the noblest men in soldier garb.—EDITOR.

DEERFIELD ITEMS.

We have received an item for publication from Deerfield, bearing no signature and which might be easily construed as libellous. We cannot publish anonymous communications. It is necessary that the name of the writer be known, not

necessary for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. The letter containing the item was not sufficiently prepaid, we had postage to pay.

Miss. Ida Knaak and her pupils gave a very interesting recital in the Zion Evangelical Church on Saturday evening.

The men of the Presbyterian Church are holding weekly meetings at the home of Rev. Linger for the purpose of studying the Bible.

Carl Rommel has the honor of wearing a "Deerfield Highest Honor" pin bestowed upon him by the High School for his excellent work during the first semester of school.

Mrs. Vant spent the first part of the week in Waukegan.

The dance held in Anderson's hall on Saturday night was fairly well attended.

DRAMATIC NOTES.

The fifth week of the run of "The

is still continuing to crowded houses. On Monday evening of this week the McDonald jury visited the theatre in a body to witness the piece and much speculation is rife as to the effect of the drama upon these jurors. One of the contentions of the play, which contains a murder trial of a curious type, is that a jury may be swayed by force of public opinion merely as thought without collusion otherwise.

"The Witching Hour" by Augustus Thomas! A thrilling drama with striking dramatic settings. It gives great promise of the drama of the future when a good moral drama will succeed the present popular programme of a brilliantly spectacular scene with a group of dancing show girls in the midst, singing the songs of the hour. When the new plan of living so imbues our pleasure going that we demand something tangible for the thinking mind and not merely an hours distraction; then, and then only will the drama reach the high place it deserves. The drama demands good dramatic situations, but above all it must have as its key note some line of thought or some great moral question at issue. The former the "Witching Hour" supplies and, although we may not sympathize with the idea of telepathy, still we must respect it as it is presented in such a forceful way as in this work of Mr. Thomas. The leading role as played by William Morris was well sustained. He wins by his dignity and pleasing presence, and although dignity and reserve usually repel and awe, in the case of Mr. Morris the reverse is the case. The small comedy part as played by Edward Lee is delightful. The other parts are all equally well carried by David Turner, Ann Warrington, Amelia Gardner, Julia Hay, Joseph Graybill, John Sainpolis, Lawrence Grattan, Wm. Humphrey, and Burr Caruth.

BIBLE IN THE SCHOOL AT CHINA.

We have the following from a friend of the NEWS-LETTER:—ED.

A friend handed me recently on the train a printed copy of an article entitled the "Educational Value of the Bible" and delivered by the Rev. Grant Stroh to the Graduating Class of the Warren, Minn., High School, 1907.

On opening the book this passage caught my attention.

What do you think of this, which comes from China? In two of the provinces the Viceroy has issued a decree ordering the New Testament to be introduced into all the schools. What do you think of that for a poor heathen? He believes that the permanence and high quality of China is due to the fact that the Confu-

chians have been taught in China for over 2000 years and is sure that the only superiority of our Western civilization must be done to the Superiority of the Bible. Hence he orders the New Testament to be studied along side of the teachings of Confucians, among the 58,000,000 of people over whom he rules. And I believe is wise. It is the classic of classics, the book of books. A mastery of its contents is in itself a liberal education, and no other book or books can be substituted for it without the most serious loss to our young people, to the well being of society, and may possibly endanger the perpetuity of our glorious republic."

RAGS CAUSED DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

A very disastrous fire took place at Waukegan last week in which the Dodge Building was destroyed and several important business interests sustained great losses.

We call special attention to the matter here as a warning against accumulating soiled rags and especially oiled rags

ioned by spontaneous combustion in a pile of rubbish at the Waukegan Business College. It is only a week or two ago that we reported the combustion of a small pile of oiled rags which had been covered up by some soiled linen in a Highland Park dwelling house, and the smoke was discovered only just in the nick of time to save the entire property from flames. Don't horde oil rags unless you want to be shivering on the streets some of these cold nights while your house burns to the ground.

SLAVES ON AMERICAN SOIL.

Soon after the civil war was finally closed and President Lincoln had proclaimed the Emancipation of the negro slave, William Lloyd Garrison went to England, and, at a great banquet given in his honor, he exclaimed "Slaves cannot breathe in America."

But to those who attended the great meeting held on the morning of Monday Feb. 10, at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, of Chicago, it was made all too painfully clear that there are yet slaves in America. In a local paper such as the NEWS LETTER, it is impossible to give a full account of that meeting, but we feel it a duty we owe the good people of the North Shore, to put the fact on record that fully one thousand persons attended this meeting of protest and purpose.

One could almost imagine the spirit of Garrison and Phillips and Beecher and Channing incarnated the speeches of that day—not so much on account of their eloquence as for the amazing revelations which astounded the audience and awoke them to a prompt call to action.

To hear from Judge Fake, Assistant States Attorney Roe, Ernest Bell and Dr. Janney, the statements of the appalling slavery of human beings in this white land of ours ought to arouse, and did arouse every soul present.

The white slave traffic does exist here in Chicago. Down where the red lights blaze and where the ribald merriment drifts from semi-curtained windows, and where women and young girls are arrayed in the gowns of shame, there is where Christianity is needed the most."

The following resolution was enthusiastically adopted and a large representative meeting was held the same afternoon to carry it into effect:

"WHEREAS, the various forms of what is known as "The Social Evil" are menacing the moral and physical well being of our country,—

"AND WHEREAS:—These evils are perpetuated at the cost and sacrifice of many innocent girls who are entrapped into vice