

Winnetka's Early Problems Told

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school of high grade open to both sexes and of a non-sectarian character for moderate tuition.

"It is not to be denied that the school established and maintained by the University has, thus far, disappointed us. Nor can we, on the other hand, conceal the fact that the village disappointed the University first by an entire years' delay in giving them the lease, and secondly in being nearly half a year behindhand in getting ready the dormitory. The delay in completing the dormitory arose partly from the unfaithfulness of some sub-contractors, but more from large losses by the contractor himself by the Chicago fire.

"I was myself on the building committee for the dormitory, and associated with me were Messrs. Atwood and Dale, and I am happy to accord each of those gentlemen the highest praise for faithfulness and strict regard to economy all the way on in the work of construction.

Delay in Building

"But, in spite of faithfulness and care, the job dragged—the building was not seasonably ready, and, naturally enough, the institution it was to subserve has been unfavorably affected by the delay. But now the construction is complete, and we are ready to require from the University its faithful performance of its part of the lease. This is the last term of the collegiate year and probably no change can be effected during this term. But when the long summer vacation comes—the season for making new plans, programmes and prospectuses—then we must seasonably see that all proper steps be taken to secure to us, to our children, to the community, an altogether more widely equipped academy than we have yet had.

"I have dwelt at length upon this topic because it is of leading importance to the interests and the best success of our corporation. Institutions of learning of the higher grades are of slow growth, and are brought into being and carried on to their higher usefulness by great sacrifices of money and often requiring long

reaches of time. I am not discouraged with this enterprise. I am quite sure, if we are faithful to our duties towards it, that even the oldest of us will yet have opportunity to be proud of our own local collect.

Urges Graded Schools

"Our district school, during a portion of the last year, has been somewhat crowded. It would have been a relief to the teacher, and of material advantage to the younger scholars, if a few of the older pupils had withdrawn from it and gone to the academy. But the teacher has not complained, and at the present term the numbers are not so large, and the school is likely to be satisfactory. But our common school interests can not be wholly satisfactory till we can grade the schools, and this we cannot do until the numbers are such as to require two teachers; then the oldest pupils may compose one school and the younger ones another. The result of this, as experience everywhere has shown, is greater thoroughness in the teaching of all the grades, for the simple reason that each teacher is not obliged to teach all grades, and to divide up her time between so many classes and recitations as to force her to spoil most of them by hurrying through.

"I shall say but a word of our streets, although the care of them forms an important part of our responsibilities. The opening of some streets will probably be effected this year. I shall be glad to find you interested in this means of promoting the prosperity of the village.

"The new act lately approved by the governor authorizing our village officers to make new assessment rolls in place of those destroyed by the fire, and to proceed and collect the taxes of 1871, will claim early attention.

"The loss of our ordinances by the depot fire will make it necessary to have several new ones prepared. Not more than three, or, at most, four will be immediately wanted. Those few, however, especially those on revenue, on roads, and on the pound, should be prepared at an early day."

ARTEMUS CARTER

President of the Village of Winnetka.

Brings Message on Mission Work of The Reynolds

Dr. Percy T. Watson, who is at Fenchow, Shansi, China, where the Rev. and Mrs. Paul R. Reynolds, missionaries from the Winnetka Congregational church, are stationed, will speak at that church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the usual sermon hour of the Rev. James Austin Richards, pastor. Dr. Watson, it is said, will talk very informally on the life the missionary lives, and his visit is being anticipated with much interest by the members of the congregation as an opportunity to hear this direct message of the work of their own mission representative.

After fifteen years Dr. and Mrs. Watson have just returned for their furlough, after dedicating a splendid hospital of seventy beds, thoroughly equipped with every modern medical invention. Because of Dr. Watson's work in stamping out plagues, he has been honored with special decorations by the provincial government and the Imperial government at Peking.

At present, he is taking strenuous medical work at Harvard.

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