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SCHOOL GROUND ENLARGEMENT.

The Question to be Decided at a Special Meeting Next Monday Evening.

Next Monday evening is the time appointed for taking the vote upon the question of purchasing the Davis property as an addition to the school grounds. The question has been quite freely discussed, and opinions differ as to the advisability of making the purchase.

We believe it is generally understood that this property is for sale, and that the Board of Education has secured an option on the same, pending the decision of the voters as to whether the purchase shall be made. The price asked (from the school district) is \$1,200.

It is, of course, a conceded fact that it will not be good business policy to buy this property unless the needs of the school, present or prospective, demand it. There is no object in buying property because it is cheap, unless the additional land could be used to advantage. In this connection it may be said that there are many citizens who believe that the present school site is large enough, and that it will still be large enough when, in after years, perchance, a new and larger building shall be erected on the same. This belief is backed up by the statement that in many towns where the number of students is larger than in this place the grounds are smaller even than ours. This is undoubtedly true, and it is also a fact that smaller schools than ours have much larger grounds. It may be the case with the larger towns referred to—and is, with some of them at least—that the reason why the school grounds are not larger is because more land cannot be secured, and not because there is not a need for it. We have in mind a few places where the school grounds are much larger than in Andover, and yet no effort has ever been made to reduce the size—in fact, the large area of land is a matter of village pride, and we believe justly so. Children must have a place in which to play; it should be ample for all purposes, base ball, foot ball, and all of the usual games. In the absence of any other place the streets will be used, or some person's private premises will be trespassed upon.

In many towns there are village parks. In Andover, unfortunately, there is none. There should be in this village, as in all others, a place where the young people could amuse themselves as indicated above, and where, also, public gatherings, speeches, etc., could be held. It should not be owned by a private individual, but by the village or school district, and should be open for various uses free of charge.

Respecting the statement made by the supporters of this project, that now or never is the time to purchase this property, and that if the opportunity now presented is passed by, the property will doubtless fall into other hands, and will not afterward be available, it is claimed that when the time shall come that the addition of this property is an imperative necessity, it can be taken by due process of law, and that when that time shall arrive it will be time enough to seriously consider the matter of purchase. Additional land for school purposes can doubtless be secured by process of law, but the process is expensive, more or less complicated, and the acquirement of land by condemnation is altogether the most unsatisfactory way in which a title can be secured. If this property shall pass into other hands, and two or three dwellings be erected upon the same, the value of the premises will be doubled or tripled, and appraisers are likely to grant not only the actual damage sustained, but to assess those damages at the greatest possible sum. Clearly, it seems to us, "now or never" is the sentiment that fits this case. If there is more land in these premises than is needed for school purposes, a portion could be sold, and we believe the Board of Education does not contemplate that the whole place shall now be made a portion of the school grounds, but rather its members take the view that this is a matter for future determination. A portion of the premises can not now be purchased. All or none must be taken. Mr. Davis, we believe, has had several opportunities to sell a portion of the place, and doubtless the School District could dispose of one-half, more or less, to good advantage, should it be decided to do so. If it were not deemed advisable to sell

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Thanking you for past favors,
Yours most respectfully,

J. L. LIBERMAN.

NEW FIRE AND BURGLAR PROOF SAFE.

In placing their new safe on the floor on the 23rd inst., the Board of Directors feel that the equipment of the Andover State Bank is now complete in every particular, and second to none in Western New York.

The safe was built to order by the Herring Hall-Marvin Co., of New York, according to plans and specifications especially prepared and under the personal supervision of J. M. Mossman, the safe expert of New York City, of large and varied experience in safe construction, especially in burglar work. He having been called in by the Government, first in the Sub-Treasury in New York City, and again in Washington, to make a thorough examination of the vaults in use by the Government, and later called in by the New York Clearing House Association in the construction of their vaults having a storage capacity of one hundred and five million dollars in gold, which work is now going on under his direction.

The safe for the Andover State Bank has been constantly inspected as the work progressed in its different stages of construction. The general impression has been that it was more secure to have a fire proof vault with a banker's safe placed inside of same; after thoroughly investigating the matter the Bank felt that they would get more security by having a fire proof vault for the use of their books, records, etc., and a safe for their money and securities separate and apart from their book vault, so that at the close of the business of the day the safe with the securities could be locked up and the book vault could be kept open for access even during the evening or night should occasion require; by having the safe placed close to the front of the building any one operating against the same could be seen and if explosion were attempted, it would be more readily heard than if the safe was in a vault.

The safe is made with an outer casing containing fire proof filling, made additionally strong, and rests upon a solid pier of masonry built from the cellar up for the safe to rest upon, so if the building should be destroyed by fire the safe would remain on the foundation. The safe is located in the front of the building with the large plate glass window in front of same, and with a gas light burning over it all night, can be plainly seen from the street at any and all times, giving it a thorough exposure; a large dial clock is hanging on the wall immediately over the safe, the theory being that any one passing at any hour during the night would instinctively glance at the clock, and know at once that something was wrong if the light was not burning, in which case a suitable reward would be given the party making the discovery and warning the officers of the bank; thus it will be seen that by reason of its EXPOSED position the safe is made doubly secure.

The outer, or fire proof doors, are secured by a combination lock; inside of the fire proof jacket is a large steel lined banker's chest made of welded Chrome steel and iron, which is manufactured by the Chrome Steel Works of Brooklyn, N. Y., who have made a reputation for the furnishing of the best material for burglar proof construction; the door of this compartment is secured with two combination locks so arranged that in the case of the failure of either, the other will operate, and the door is held on all sides by bolts which shoot front, back, up and down; the door is forced into place with a pressure bar handle crowding it tight into the packing.

Within the outer chest is another and still heavier banker's chest, made separate and independent of the outer chest, made without any lock or dial showing on the outside, the bolts being operated by an Actuating Device, which on being set allows for the closing of the door and the proper seating of the same, when at a fixed time the bolts are thrown, locking the door, by a motor taking about one minute to uncheck the bolts and cast them forward; in connection with the Actuating Device, there is a Sargent & Greenleaf Triple Movement Time Lock; this is so arranged that any one of the three movements will act upon the Actuating Device and retract the bolts at any predetermined time, as it may have been set, so that to cause any failure, or lock out, it would be necessary that all three movements should get out of order at the same time.

The construction of the banker's chests are of the best, being made of heavy plates, with no hole going through the outer layer or showing on the outside surface of the same.

Underneath the inner banker's chest are eight Safe Deposit Boxes, provided for the use of customers; the door of each of these boxes has a separate lock and key, so arranged that a party renting one cannot get into the box without first having one of the bank officers use his key to set the lock to admit of the customer using his key, neither can the bank officers unlock the box without the customer's key.

The height of the safe is six feet, five inches; three feet, eleven inches wide; three feet, six inches deep. It was taken into the building through the front window, the sash of which was particularly arranged for the purpose when the building was erected. The total weight is about fifteen thousand pounds; it is handsomely finished in aluminum bronze, and cost approximately two thousand dollars.

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