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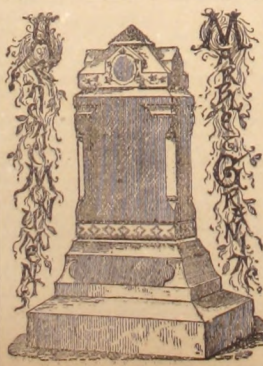
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## LOCAL EVENTS.

Most of the corn is planted.  
Town house, Monday night, 8 o'clock.  
We are having a boom in building as  
sociations.  
Dogs are worth one dollar each now—  
for taxing purposes.  
The street and alley committee are do-  
ing good work. Don't stop.  
Payment of pensions will hereafter be  
made quarterly beginning July 1.

The cold weather of the past week has  
done considerable damage to fruit.  
It is rumored that a Baptist church will  
be organized here in the near future.

J. P. McWilliams sold his team of  
three year old fillies this week for twelve  
hundred dollars.

Advertised letters, Harvey G. Burns,  
Mr. M. Gillespie, Mrs. Mary Halsey, Mr.  
Rolen Simmons.

Geo. Boyer has been dangerously sick  
this week. We hope to be able to report  
his recovery soon.

The Leslie E. Keeley Co. will com-  
mence moving their office fixtures into  
the opera house to-day.

The Dwight ball nine played a game  
in Wilmington yesterday. It was too  
late for a report in this issue.

The best musical talent procurable in  
this neighborhood is engaged for the pro-  
duction of the Cantata of Esther.

The Leslie E. Keeley company is  
erecting a house to be used as a laboratory,  
in the rear of the opera house lot.

A pointer to the undertakers: Here is  
what a firm out west have over their  
door: "You kick the bucket, we do the  
rest."

We will give twenty-five complete  
popular novels and the STAR AND HER-  
ALD one year for one dollar and fifty  
cents.

J. P. McWilliams importation of French  
coaches will arrive next week and will  
be on exhibition at his Prince of Wales  
stock farm.

We will give anyone twenty-five com-  
plete novels who will get us two new sub-  
scribers. Any girl or boy can do this in  
a few minutes.

The graduating class this year are  
Misses Millie Gould, Marcella Ferguson,  
Maggie Kern, May Morris, Minnie Barr  
and Fred de Clercq.

Misses Thelma Pettitt and Emma Baker  
went to Chicago to attend the meeting of  
the Eastern Star, Thursday. They re-  
port a pleasant time.

Jas. Kelagher had a smile on his coun-  
tenance Friday morning that illuminated  
the whole east side. The arrival of a  
baby girl accounts for it.

The strawberry and ice cream festival  
given at the opera house last night by  
the Congregational society was well at-  
tended, and a nice sum realized.

A missionary mass meeting was held at  
Odell Thursday evening, and was largely  
attended. Rev. F. W. Merrill and Rev.  
Cool of Pontiac, delivered addresses.

S. T. Lockhart had the misfortune to  
have his foot badly injured Wednesday  
by a severe kick from a horse. He is get-  
ting along as well as could be expected.

We have received the first number of  
the Inland Advertiser, a monthly publi-  
cation by Pearce & Strawn, of Pontiac.  
Its object is to boom Livingston county  
and make a dollar.

Remember the meeting at the town  
house Monday evening at eight o'clock to  
make arrangements for a grand Fourth  
of July celebration. Do not fail to at-  
tend this great meeting.

The commencement exercises will be  
held in the M. E. church, Tuesday even-  
ing, May 26. We understand the Board  
of Education will spare no expense to  
make it a grand affair.

Rehearsals for the Cantata of Esther  
are being held every afternoon and even-  
ing. This beautiful musical production  
will soon be presented in Dwight for the  
benefit of the M. E. church.

Arrangements are being made for an-  
nual encampment of the Sons of  
Veterans of the Illinois Division at De-  
catur, July 22. The largest encampment  
ever held in the state is expected.

Billy Faulkner, the genial traveling  
agent of the Chicago Inter Ocean, was in  
town a few hours Tuesday. When Billy  
gets to talking to a man the easiest way  
out of it is to take the Inter Ocean.

Prof. W. P. Danforth, the conductor  
of the Queen Esther entertainment, has  
been in the same business for over  
twenty years. Rev. and Mrs. Merrill  
sang under his instructions about  
eighteen years ago.

A branch of the Equitable Building  
and Loan Association, of Bloomington,  
was organized last evening at the STAR  
AND HERALD office. It has a good mem-  
bership, and is bound to flourish.

The Inland Advertiser is away off when  
it says that Thompson, of Pontiac, is the  
only cigar manufacturer in Livingston  
county. The editors should take a stroll  
around and find out the facts. John  
Geis, of Dwight, is a manufacturer and  
large dealer.

Judge Starr, of Kankakee, one of the  
Republican nominees for Circuit Judge,  
was in town Wednesday. He made this  
office a pleasant call. Judge Starr held  
court in this county a great many years  
ago, and had the name of being a good  
consistent man.

Following is the base ball nine that  
went to Wilmington yesterday: Messrs.  
Ed. Reeb, Will Thompson, Will Rabe,  
Ame Orr, Orville Lower, Theo. Hayes,  
Chas. Durfee, Geo. Pfefferman, and a  
gentleman stopping in Dwight. It is  
considered a good nine.

Postmaster Parsons is bound his cus-  
tomers shall stand up. He has placed a  
miniature Chinese wall around the edge  
of the counters in the postoffice. It is  
very disagreeable to have to stand while  
settling questions of political economy,  
etc., but it has to be done.

Quite a smash-up occurred on the 3-1  
yesterday near the Thompson farm.  
Several cars were smashed to atoms and  
others badly injured. We understand  
a truck of one of the cars broke causing  
the accident. It will take quite a while  
to remove the obstructions.

The Grand Oratorio of Esther now in re-  
hearsal at the M. E. church, will be pre-  
sented in beautiful Oriental Costumes of  
the most dazzling description. The work  
will exceed all former representation.  
The best home talent is engaged and no  
labor or expense will be spared. W. P.  
Danforth, of Aurora, instructor. For per-  
sonators see programmes.

The first session of the Illinois Itiner-  
ant's Club will be held at Bloomington  
May 11-15. The club have issued a  
handsome program and the proceedings  
will be taken part in by the leading pro-  
fessors of the universities throughout the  
country and the leading lights in the  
M. E. Church. It will be a good meeting.  
Rev. F. W. Merrill will attend and take  
part in the proceedings.

The Dwight Star and Herald, following  
the enterprise of this paper, published  
last week a very excellent likeness of  
John Thompson, the newly elected mayor  
of that city. These original cuts are ex-  
pensive luxuries and it is seldom that any  
but metropolitan papers like The Leader  
are able to publish them. The Star and  
Herald is therefore to be complimented  
for its enterprise.—Pontiac Leader.

The Pontiac Free Trader and Observer  
has this to say of one of our distinguished  
citizens: "We had a pleasant call Mon-  
day from S. T. K. Prime, of Dwight,  
who is now the crop reporter of the  
United States and whose reports are  
taken as authority. Mr. Prime in 1873  
was one of the leaders in grange orga-  
nization and figured very prominently in  
politics at that time. He has eschewed  
politics entirely and says in consequence  
that he is successful and happy."

Decoration Day will be duly observed  
in Dwight. It comes on Saturday this  
year, and the committee in charge have  
about decided to hold the exercises Sat-  
urday afternoon. It has also decided to  
purchase a large bronze urn to be filled  
with flowers and placed in the Oak Lawn  
cemetery in memory of the thousands of  
unknown dead soldiers. It is certainly  
a mark of respect due them. The pro-  
gram for Decoration Day will be an-  
nounced later. Rev. P. M. France will  
deliver the oration.

The jewelry store of J. S. Guardianier  
was entered by burglars Thursday night.  
They broke the lock on the front door by  
pushing the door in. The thieves opened  
the jewelry show case and took four  
rings, emptied three traps of jewelry,  
several pairs of sleeve buttons, fountain  
pens, etc., in all amounting to about \$50,  
as near as Mr. Guardianier can judge.  
Most of the valuables were in the safe  
and were not tampered with. Several  
traps were noticeable about the streets  
early in the evening, and it was probably  
their work.

The Bi-Chloride of Gold Club gave a  
grand reception to their first president  
Thursday evening. These gentlemen do  
nothing by halves, and when they re-  
ceived the intelligence that the first pre-  
siding officer would arrive on the accomo-  
dation they secured the services of Dwight  
band and met him at the train and escorted  
him to the McPherson House and shortly  
afterward to their club room in  
Sons of Veterans' hall. Here a warm re-  
ception was given their organizer, and  
numerous complimentary speeches were  
made and a very social evening spent.  
After the meeting adjourned there was  
a grand display of fireworks.

H. J. Chesher, of Bloomington, general  
agent of the Equitable Loan and Invest-  
ment Association, of that place, spent  
several days this week in the interest of  
that co-operative institution. He made  
a pleasant call at this office and gave us  
to understand that he was meeting with  
good success among our people. The  
Association he represents is vouched for  
by good men, and there is certainly a  
good opening for the formulation of  
such an institution in our midst. A good  
building association here would be a  
good investment for both the borrower  
and lender.

The funeral services of Miss Emma T.  
Patterson were held at the home, two  
miles south, and one mile east of Dwight,  
Thursday forenoon the 7th, at 11 a. m.,  
Rev. F. W. Merrill officiating. The  
deceased had just passed her twenty  
second year, having been born April 30,  
1869. An elder sister died five years ago  
and her mother's death occurred one year  
ago last August. She was the last of the  
female portion of the household. Her  
father and two brothers, now men grown,  
survive. She was a victim of the dread  
disease consumption which was hastened  
by an attack of the grip a year ago.  
She was a member of the M. E. Church  
at Campus where she united four years  
ago. She was prepared to die though she  
did not know that death was near. The  
father and brothers have the sympathy  
of the entire community in their sad  
circumstances. The remains were de-  
posited in the Oak Lawn cemetery.

Building and Loan Association.  
The adjourned meeting of the branch  
of the Inter State Building and Loan  
Association met at Mayor Thompson's  
office Wednesday night and after the  
agent had answered all questions pro-  
pounded, proceeded to the election of the  
following directors: Jesse Diefenbaugh,  
John Thompson, L. A. Naffziger, Dr. Oak-  
shett, Manning Smith. The directors got  
their heads together and elected the fol-  
lowing officers: President, Jesse Diefen-  
baugh; Vice President, John Thompson;  
secretary and treasurer, L. A. Naffziger.  
Several applications for stock were  
made and the meeting adjourned.

League Meeting.  
The regular monthly meeting of the  
Epworth League was held Tuesday even-  
ing at the M. E. church, President  
Frank Bell, presiding. A very interest-  
ing programme had been arranged,  
which, after the regular order of business  
had been gone through with, was ren-  
dered.

A duet by Mr. and Mrs. Merrill was  
well received.

Recitations by Misses Della Pearre,  
Addie Baker and Ella Baker were finely  
rendered and an essay by Miss Jennie  
Payne well received.

Very Little Dode Langan sang a very  
pretty little song in a pretty little man-  
ner.

The programme was short but very in-  
teresting, and those present were well  
pleased with the exercises.

Y. W. C. T. U. Anniversary.

One year ago Thursday evening the  
Y. W. C. T. U., of Dwight, celebrated  
the second anniversary of the organiza-  
tion at the residence of Mr. and Mrs.  
J. R. Oughton. Last Thursday evening  
the third anniversary was duly  
celebrated at the residence of Miss  
Della Pearre. These meetings have  
always proved a source of much  
amusement and joy and are devoted  
to reviewing the year's work, planning  
for future usefulness, social inter-  
course and the presentation of a liter-  
ary and musical programme, and lastly  
but not leastly, a grand and generous  
banquet. The anniversary this year  
was no exception.

The organization has received sev-  
eral new members and has accom-  
plished much good in their quiet and  
unassuming way. The membership  
now numbers twenty-two, and the  
officers are as follows: President, Miss  
Jennie Payne; vice-presidents, Miss  
Mary Conrad, Mrs. Al. Fisk, Miss  
Della Pearre; Cor. Sec., Miss May Mor-  
gan; Secretary, Miss Mary Conrad;  
Treasurer, Miss Mattie Paul.

The programme rendered was very  
interesting and as follows:

Instrumental solo, Miss Addie Fenn.  
"Y" Paper, Miss Jennie Payne.

Solo, Mrs. F. W. Merrill.

Instrumental Duet, Misses Krohn  
and Addie Fenn.

Solo, Miss Della Pearre.

Paper, Mrs. Dr. Oakshett.

Vocal Duet, Misses Minnie Lower  
and Addie Fenn.

After the programme was rendered  
a banquet, consisting of ice cream,  
strawberries and cream and several  
kinds of cake, was served which was  
greatly enjoyed by all. Souvenirs in  
the shape of button-hole bouquets were  
given each one present. Company  
"Y" is quiet "military" and every-  
thing connected with the reception  
passed off very pleasantly.

Springfield, Ill.

The Editor of the STAR AND HER-  
ALD made a flying trip to the city in  
Sangamon county where the laws for  
the state of Illinois and senators, etc.,  
are made to order on short notice—  
sometimes. The early morning train  
brought us into Springfield just as the  
morning light was breaking in the  
east, and about the first thing that  
meets the gaze is the monstrous stone  
and marble structure, the dome of  
which reaches up almost into the  
clouds—the Illinois State house. Af-  
ter giving the state officers and sen-  
ators and representatives a chance to  
wash their faces and get breakfast we  
wandered into the beautiful building,  
and the first place we called was at  
the adjutant general's office. Here  
we met an old friend, Col. Theodore  
Ewert, one of the best military men  
in the state, now occupying the posi-  
tion of assistant adjutant general.  
Here we were introduced to General  
Vance, the gentleman who is respon-  
sible for the high efficiency attained  
by the state militia in the past few  
years.

From these pleasant roomy offices  
we went across the way to the me-  
morial hall, which is in charge of the  
old veteran, Capt. Reed, an old 129th  
man, formerly of Pontiac. It is a  
very interesting sight to look over  
the old flags of the different regiments  
of the states, many of them still show-  
ing the marks of the blood of wound-  
ed and dead soldiers, and the majority  
of the emblems are tattered so as to be  
unrecognizable to even the brave men  
who carried them, only for the labels  
attached.

We also called on Henry Abels, Esq.,  
the adjutant of the Illinois Division  
of the Sons of Veterans, and found  
him a very pleasant gentleman and  
much interested in the order. He  
holds a position as clerk for Col.  
Reeves, the governor's secretary. Mr.  
Abels presented us to Col. Reeves, a  
very pleasant gentleman, whom every-  
body knows as the man you must be  
on the good side of before you can in-  
terview the governor. As it was Mon-  
day morning, and they all had the  
washing on the line, and no hungry  
politicians had arrived on the scene,  
Col. Reeves very kindly introduced us  
to Governor Fifer. A warm shake of  
the hand relieved our fears and quieted  
our boustrious nerves, and one look  
from the Governor seemed to satisfy  
him that we had "lost no office," and  
he invited us into his private office.  
(We want to say right here, that his  
office knocks the STAR AND HERALD  
office silly. However, after looking  
the former over with a critical eye, we  
decided to have one just like it in a  
few years.)

After a few minutes pleasant chat  
with the governor, we took our de-  
parture. The governor extends a cor-  
dial welcome to everyone, and asked  
us all about Dwight. Wherever we  
went almost the first question pro-  
pounded was in regard to Dr. Les-  
lie E. Keeley's institute. The gov-  
ernor remarked that he was very glad  
to hear that the institution was doing  
so much good for humanity's sake.

A look into representative hall re-  
vealed nothing but empty seats, the  
members not having arrived from  
their Sunday visit to their several  
homes. During the present sessions  
this place is a very busy scene, every-  
one of the representatives bent on ac-  
complishing something that will send  
their names thundering down the ages  
of fame. Very few of them will thun-  
der, however, to any great extent.

Springfield of to-day is a great con-  
trast to the Springfield of thirty years  
ago. It seemed in those days that  
it had been located in the deepest,  
muddiest, mud hole in the state. Now  
the whole city is filled with beautiful  
shade trees, the business portion with  
handsome structures and the streets  
are all well paved. Electric street  
cars glide here and there carrying pas-  
sengers to the beautiful suburbs and  
vice versa. The beautiful grounds  
adjacent to the state house, and the  
well kept parks attract many visitors.  
The watch factory, Lincoln monu-  
ment, Lincoln's residence are promi-  
nent features of interest. The latter  
is under control of the state and is al-  
most completely filled with relics and  
everything to remind the visitor of  
the life of the martyred president,  
both in peace and war.

During the sessions of Legislature  
Springfield is a bustling city, the  
hotels being filled and everything  
lively. It is not dull at any time, as  
there is something going on there most  
every week in the year.

Springfield is all right.

There is a prospect that Company  
"Y" will give a drill with genuine  
guns later in the season.

Read the real estate advertisement on  
the fourth page.