

Dwight Star and Herald.

DEVOTED TO LOCAL AND COUNTY INTERESTS AND GENERAL INFORMATION.

DWIGHT, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILL., SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1891.

NO. 25

Dwight's Prosperity.

73 Lots added to the Village of Dwight,

THURSDAY, AUG. 27, 1891,
RENFREW

ADDITION.

The Choicest Residence Property in the Village of Dwight.
Franklin street is 100 FEET WIDE. All other street 80 FEET.

Pure Air, Pure Water,
Wide Streets, Tiled Streets.

J. P. McWILLIAMS,

BANK OF DWIGHT. DWIGHT, ILL.

A Partial List of Gentlemen

Who have obtained policies of the MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., OF MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Edward McWilliams	Everett B Lewis	Lew Hollemeyer
James B Austin	Jas Kelagher	Jno R Oughton
J C Lewis	A M Bartholic	L A Naffziger
Ed L Stevens	Howard H Huey	Geo L Kern
John H Kane	Chas M Moderwell	A G Huey
John W Baker	B S Rearick	W C Bartholic
A J Diefenbach	Geo Peterson	Manning Smith
John Grundler	Rev F W Merrill	E B Cross
Geo Abry	Frank Grundler	Isaac L Perry
P H Langan	Dr H J Taxis	J C Lutz
W D Phillips	Chas M Baker	Hans C Rosendall
Henry Joost, Jr	Dr F D Coltrin	J C Lanan
Joseph Eyer	Engene H George	Rev M A Burton
S L Glover	Al A Boyer	E T Potter
Ed Christman	Myron B Tambling	Wm D Roeder
H V Ivins	Joseph Hollemeyer	Walter M Weese

Moral:--"Go thou and do Likewise."

This list of names serves to remind you of the great benefits to yourself and family derived from the endowment investment policies of the

Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.,
OF MILWAUKEE, WIS.

S. E. HOUSTON, Agent,

Office over E. T. Miller's Store. DWIGHT, ILL.

School Books.

We carry a full line of

School Books and Supplies

Of all kinds, on which we will make lowest prices.

We also have a new line of

Table Linens, Notions of all kinds
and Tinware, on which we
will save you money.

REMEMBER THAT

KELAGHER

WILL NOT BE UNDER SOLD.

Call on the Old Reliable Store

—OF—

M. F. REILLY & CO.,
REDDICK, ILL.

HEADQUARTERS FOR

General Merchandise

—SUCH AS—

Hardware, Wagons, Buggies, Agricultural
Implements, Hard and Soft Coal, Lum-
ber, Grain, Dry Goods, Clothing,
Boots and Shoes,

And Notions to numerous to mention, also Manufac-
turers of Fine Creamery Butter.

Law Makers and Water Works Builders.

Lower absent, was the way the roll call stood, and then they knuckled down to business and great drops of perspiration stood out on their careworn faces as they faced the issues of the day. The kerosene lamps threw out their "luridness" and gave the scene a picture of sadness rather than that of business and pleasure. The first act in the drama was a petition from James Kelagher asking permission to erect an addition to the rear of his store, 16x20, to be covered with iron. The petition was referred to the committee on fire and water, with power to act.

A letter was read from Attorney McIlhuff, of Pontiac, in reference to drawing up a partnership ordinance to raise money for water works. The attorney threw cold water (not from the water works) on the scheme, and gave as his opinion that the board would have to resort to general tax and special assessment to accomplish the result, and that in any case it would be necessary to advertise the required three weeks. He wound up his "first epistle to the water-ites" with the following beautiful and instructive sentence: "With all due respect I would suggest that you give immediate attention to your sidewalks."

Even if this audacious propounder of law did fall through the sidewalk and break two or three legs he has no right to jump onto our city council and abuse them in this manner. It is unkind Mr. Mc. and your vote for state's attorney will be very small here next year.

The deed for the new park in Renfrew addition was read by the Mayor and was unanimously accepted, and a vote of thanks given Mr. McWilliams for his liberality and consideration.

The donation was an act of liberality and kindness toward the people of Dwight that they should remember for ever.

It was decided to have Eyer Bros. go ahead and sink a well in East side park immediately if not sooner. All we have to say is that if Eyer Bros. get that well sunk before the council changes its mind they are good well sinkers.

It was also decided to telegraph Mr. Moffat, of Clinton, the gentleman who was here last week, and employ him to go ahead and do something.

Alderman Taylor then presented a petition signed by forty citizens asking that a highway be opened, three rods wide, at the northeast corner of sec. 4, township 30, range 7, to run south through sec. 3 and 4 to and cross the C. & A. railroad, intersecting the highway at present laid out, a continuance of the public highway east of corporation. Also beginning at the east line of the present extension of Franklin, east along south line of 3-l track, with right of way to cross the C. & A. track and intersect highway as laid out. The above was referred to the road commissioners and council both.

A resolution was passed that the street and alley committee meet with the road commissioners to decide about the above and to build a bridge on Pollard avenue in Renfrew addition and arrive at reliability of each hereafter.

After which the officials wandered away in the night to their respective abodes. Thus ended another chapter in the annals of Dwight.

WATER PROSPECTS.

Mr. Moffat, of Clinton, came Thursday morning and returned to his home Thursday afternoon. He took a measurement of the business portion of the town for pipes and gave an estimate of the cost to the committee. A reporter of the STAR AND HERALD interviewed Mr. Moffat and asked in his opinion, what was the best, and what could be done this fall, with the money that it was possible to raise immediately—about \$8,500.

Mr. Moffat said: "If the board advertise immediately, have the well sunk, and as soon as the bids are in, erect an engine house and put in engines, pumps, etc., and lay mains around the business center and connect with the pumps by direct pressure, they can have first-class fire protection in about seven weeks. The money they have is sufficient for that, and the work will not interfere in the least with connecting with the stand pipe when built, or with the extension of mains when needed."

The above is a clear statement of what can be done, by an experienced man, and should by all means be accomplished. As it is impossible to put up the whole plant this fall, the business portion certainly should receive protection. Get a move on you, gentlemen.

Water Analysis.

The water sent to Champaign for analysis was returned last Friday night, and an informal meeting held in Mayor Thompson's office. The professor was here and the report of his examination brought out the fact that the water from Chas. L. Romberger's well was the best for all general purposes; that of Chas. Waters' second, Mc Williams' third, Spencer's fourth, and Henry Fox's fifth. He

stated that in his opinion the water from Spencer's well contained too much alkali for general use, and the water from Henry Fox's well was too hard for general use, although good drinking water. He also said the water here was good and compared favorably with the best water in other localities, and that from Romberger's well compared favorably with some of the Wakasha waters, which fact did not make C. L. feel very bad.

The fact of the matter is, that the deep well water in Dwight is first-class, and if we never die until from its effects we will live to be a thousand years old.

DEATHS.

Two Old Residents Depart This Life This Week.

Mrs. Walter Maitland, residing about five miles south of Dwight for a good many years, died Tuesday night, after an illness of about two weeks, at the age of 72 years. She leaves a husband and one child, Mr. Dan Shearer, of Dwight. She was a lady of many virtues, a consistent Christian and beloved by all who were acquainted with her. The funeral was held Thursday at 10:30 at the residence, Rev. F. W. Merrill, officiating, and the remains laid to rest in Oak Lawn. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives at the funeral. The surviving relatives have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

OBITUARY OF MR. LOUDON.

Samuel Olmstead Loudon was born in New Lebanon, New York, Sept. 1st, 1799, and died in Dwight, Ill., Sept. 2nd, 1891, having attained the remarkable age of 92 years. This is more remarkable than either of the parents of Mr. Loudon as they only reached an advanced age, both having passed away at about 60 years of age. The deceased was gifted with an unusually vigorous constitution, he was seldom sick. Not but once previous to his last sickness was a physician called to attend to him and not at his request and feeling that drugs were not needed he refused to take the medicine prescribed. He was married to Amanda M. Horton on May 29, 1825. For 66 years they have traveled life's road together. Mrs. Loudon seems to possess an equally strong constitution and bids fair to reach the age her husband attained and even to exceed it. Six children were born to this couple of whom 3 are now living, one son and two daughters, Mrs. Empe of this place being best known to the people, the son and other daughter living at a distance. They removed from New York State first to Illinois, and then to Minnesota, subsequently returning to Illinois and settling 8 years in Dwight. Mr. Loudon was a carpenter by trade and no doubt his occupation in life had much to do with his longevity. For some years he has been feeble, yet in excellent health. In the death of Mr. Loudon Dwight loses its oldest citizen.

Mad, Mutish, Morrisites.

It is natural for any base ball nine to kick and feel bad when beaten, as the Morris toughs were at Dwight, but when they take out their spite by inviting the Dwight nine to their own town as guests, and congregate all the hoodlums in Grundy county together, and openly vow they will win the game or whip the nine, it is almost too contemptible to give space in the STAR AND HERALD to relate. We only do it for this reason—to warn others of the usage they will receive in that city from the crowd that disgrace their town by calling themselves ball players.

There are nice people in Morris and many of them, and we know whereof we speak because we have met them and received a warm welcome, and we also know that they have no sympathy with a base ball nine that only has a tendency to give the city a bad name.

The strongest nine that ever left Dwight went over to Morris Wednesday to play a return game of ball, expecting to be used as gentlemen. The game was called at 3 o'clock, but broke up in a row at the beginning of the fourth inning. The facts are about as follows:

The Morris nine made one run in the second inning. The Dwight boys made no runs until the fourth, when they got onto the pitcher and commenced to hit him hard. Will Thompson made a hit and was followed by Ed Reeb and Jim Thompson, Bones coming in. Reeb to 3d and Jim Thompson to 1st. Frank Smith batted a short fly to second which was caught and thrown to 1st to catch J. T. The play was close, but Hurley gave the runner the benefit of the doubt. The Morris umpire said no. Ed Reeb in the meantime stole home, and the Morris umpire said he was out too. The Dwight boys would have willingly given up in regard to the Thompson decision, but the idea of calling Reeb out was too much for them and the Dwight umpire, Hurley, stuck to his decision and the Morris nine refused to play further. Then the Donnell Fair scene commenced, and one of the Morris toughs said: "D— you, we got you over to beat or whip you, and if

you open your head we'll smash you," and two or three of them let drive at Frank Smith. The Dwight boys took ball bats and worked their way out of a crowd of about 200 hoodlums the best they could, and started to go down town. They were followed by the howling mob to town and around the streets, throwing stones, bricks, etc., injuring some of the boys quite badly and hitting nearly all of them, and swearing they never would get out of town without their heads being broken.

It is evident that the Dwight boys had a sure thing in winning the game and the adverse decision was a pre-arranged plan to break up the game in a row. Even when some of the boys were starting for home the hoodlums stood on the street and hurled stones at them, calling them all the mean names they could think of. The boys were in luck to get out of the town alive. Some of the boys stayed to the dance and were accosted on the street but they held their own.

The captain of the Morris nine, after the game, said they would play the same nine against the same Dwight nine in Joliet for \$100 a side. We don't believe such a lot of hoodlums could get \$100 together in a 100 years, but if they could, they would have hard work to find any decent nine to play with them. They should be boycotted by every club in Christendom.

Neither the Morris Herald or the Morris Post has one word to say regarding the disgraceful proceedings of the Morris ball nine. They undoubtedly think the less they say, the better.

From what we understand, from reliable parties, the Morris city marshal was one of the leaders of the mob in that city Wednesday. It is said that he encouraged the Morris boys to throw stones etc. That city ought to be proud of its police force.

Painted and Fixed Up.

The STAR AND HERALD building presents about the sleekest appearance of any business house in town at present. We are in our holiday attire and show our colors to the public with a great deal of pride. The inside of the office will, in the near future, be thoroughly renovated. We have had fixtures placed in position this week and hereafter all our presses will be run by steam power. We are adding new facilities to all the departments as fast as possible and are as well equipped for all kinds of printing as any country office in the state. Our friends are using us nicely; our business increases with the advancement of the town; we have no cause to complain of our business and hope none of our customers or any one else has any serious fault to find with us. We try to do our duty to Dwight and vicinity and shall continue to do so.

Rev. France's New Pastorate.

Rev. France has received a unanimous call from the Congregational Church at Linden, Whiteside county, Ill., and will leave for there in about two or three weeks. Rev. France will commence work at Linden, Sunday, the 13th. One pleasant feature of the situation of the new charge is, that it is near the old home of both Rev. and Mrs. France. Mr. France preached at Linden two weeks ago and at Dover last Sunday. There were four applicants for the pastorate at Linden but Mr. France was successful.

During Mr. France's pastorate in Dwight, he has made many warm friends who have the kindest wishes for his future and bid him God speed. We with the people of Dwight, congratulate the people of Linden upon securing such a fine gentleman and true and earnest Christian worker as Rev. P. M. France. He is sure to accomplish much good in any community.

New Departure.

Elmer Fenn and Fred Liggitt, two of our popular young men, recently purchased the grocery business of N. N. Mickelson, and will take possession sometime between the 19th and the 1st of next month. These young gentlemen are well known in this locality, the former having been employed by McWilliams & Smith, and the latter by Miller Bros. for a number of years, and nothing but good words can be said of them. They will exchange stores with Mrs. Fenn, and will undoubtedly be rewarded with their share of the patronage in the future.

Card of Thanks.

On behalf of the board of lady managers of the W. C. T. U., Anchorage Mission of Plymouth Place, Chicago, Miss Nettie Houghton desires to express her sincere thanks to the boys and girls who compose the band of Willing Little Workers, of Dwight, of which Miss Lizzie Thompson has charge. The gifts of these dear children must be as a sweet smelling savor unto the Lord, more precious to Him than the offerings of incense, and to them His love will be abundantly given, for he hath declared that he loves the cheerful giver.

It Will Pay You.

Every home advertisement in the STAR AND HERALD should be religiously read thoroughly. It is true the world over that the good, systematic and steady advertisers are prosperous and enterprising men of any town. The fact that they patronize their home paper, the paper that in many instances they have to thank for their business opportunities, show that they appreciate the newspaper's efforts in their behalf. Any merchant who will take a steady advertisement in the STAR AND HERALD and furnish judicious copy when changes are made, we can prove to him inside of a short space of time that his money is well invested. Last Saturday this paper printed 724 papers, regular steady issue, and Monday morning there was just one copy left. That is nearly an increase of three hundred regular subscribers in ten months. These are facts that will be substantiated at any time at this office. We do not mention these things in any sense of bragging, but merely to show our advertisers that they are not being cheated, and to convince others of what may be accomplished by advertising in the STAR AND HERALD.

A Successful Farmer.

Kankakee Democrat.—Mr. Jas. Langan, of Milk Grove, has bought property on West avenue for \$2,500 cash, easily worth \$3,000, which he will soon move into. Mr. Langan resided for a number of years near Nevada, Ill., where he owns nine hundred acres of fine land. Five years ago he bought a section of land of L. Milk, in Milk Grove township, in company with his son-in-law, Hugh Mallaney, and T. N. Langan, his son also bought a section of land in what was known as the wire pasture. A few years ago their land was a swamp, but by means of the Langan ditch now complete, all of the land has been made workable, and to-day young Mr. Langan has four hundred acres of as fine corn as is grown out of doors, and Mr. Mallaney has a large field equally as good. This soil is very fertile and now that the drainage has been completed, no better farming land can be found in the state. This spring Mr. Langan and his son laid 16 miles of tile through their land, and their time has been occupied in superintending the laying of the tile and attending to the finishing of the ditch. Mr. Langan will now take up his residence in Kankakee and the boys will manage the farm. Mr. Langan is a type of a vigorous American farmer.

The Plain Truth.

We clip the following from the New York Sun of Saturday last, and print it with pleasure. It is needless for us to confirm the statement.

A mile from the village of Dwight, Ill., on the Chicago & Alton railroad, is the model stock farm of Mr. Prime, son of the Rev. Dr. Irenaus Prime, once of the New York Observer. It contains some 400 acres and is in a high state of cultivation, and is one of the show places of the country. It is not unusual for trains containing several thousand sheep from Texas to be switched off here, landed, and recruited by a few days rest and pasturing on the farm before being delivered over to the cattlemen at Chicago. Prime's crop reports, mailed at Dwight, are quoted in every large city between New York and San Francisco, and the gentleman who sends them out is equally famous for his hospitality.

Social Ladies.

About twenty members of the Ladies Social Union of the M. E. church met and hid themselves away to the fine farm residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Chester, east of town, Thursday afternoon. It was a jolly party of ladies and they enjoyed a splendid afternoon. They had tea about 5 o'clock and returned home about 8. At tea each lady was presented with a beautiful souvenir. There is one thing sure there is no fun lost when the Ladies' Social Union get together. They know how to enjoy themselves and make everybody else do the same.

Smarty.

Wily Wallace is back again from his vacation as wily as ever. He is making rates at a great rate and playing jokes on the side. The other day he presented a couple of our popular young ladies with two pears. They were delicious looking pears, and would have undoubtedly tasted as good as they looked had not Wallace pricked a lot of cayenne pepper into the young ladies. The pear was too warm for this time of year.

Close Call.

An unknown man jumped off a through freight here Tuesday night and in so doing caught his coat on a bolt and was thrown so that one foot went under the wheels and one side was tore off. The member was dressed and the wounded man was sent to Chicago.