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REAL ESTATE!

Farm and City Property FOR SALE.

The Choicest Residence Property in the Village of Dwight. Franklin street is 100 FEET WIDE. All other streets 50 FEET.

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She could not hear what mother and he were saying; that Lady Danraven was with him, and she was peculiar although she could not quit this feeling. It was Mamma Engelonde's mystic should be lightened by an noble minded man like M for the rest—Uva-ventured analysis. She stole to her manufacturers of Fine Creamery Butter.

A Legal Issue.

There has been a controversy for some time in relation to the corner of Franklin street and Mazon avenue, where the Kepplinger building is now being erected. When the town of Dwight was laid out the street from near the Cornell House east toward Franklin was diagonal, which made the lot on the corner nearly a triangular shape. The exact location of this corner has not been definitely known for some years, or if it has no steps have been taken to locate it. When Mr. Kepplinger commenced the erection of his new building a few weeks ago, he laid his foundation where the original building stood before the fire. It seems now, according to authority, that the foundation of the building is some fifteen or twenty feet in the street. The question has arisen: What is the town going to do about the matter? Are they going to let Mr. Kepplinger finish the building where it now is, or are they going to compel the owner to go back to the line? If the first, trouble will arise if the city should ask for their ground, and no doubt result in a tedious process of law. If, on the other hand, they intend to stop this building on the present site they had better be about it. If the original plat is adhered to the hydrant on the same corner stands in the middle of the street. We have interviewed several of the business men on this subject, and they are somewhat divided in their opinions. The majority, however, think the matter should be settled at once, the town retaining the street that belongs to it and if properly arranged would make a very handsome corner. If the town did see fit to give their consent for Mr. Kepplinger to continue this building a certain process of law would have to be gone through with before it could be done, viz: vacate the street and condemn it, let it revert back to its original owner, Colonel R. P. Morgan, and he dispose of it as he saw fit. Mr. Kepplinger seems to be greatly incensed over the matter, declaring that if he is stopped he will not put up the building nor sell the ground. Of course he can do as he sees fit in the matter, but the injury, if any, would only revert upon himself. The matter should be adjusted by the board of trustees, and that immediately.

Another Fine Improvement.

For some time our enterprising citizen, H. Seigert, has been convinced that the electric light plant was inadequate to furnish light for the fast increasing patronage. After careful investigation he has made arrangements to put in operation one of the best equipped electric light plants that can be found in this section of the country. In an interview with Mr. Seigert we learn that the plans have all been perfected and the machinery ordered. The engine and boiler house will be a one story building 64x46. He has his new boiler, 75 horse power, in position, which, in connection with the one in use, will be sufficient to furnish all the power necessary to run an arc light system. He has also purchased of the Bates Machine company of Joliet, Illinois, a 150 horse power Corless engine, which is considered to be one of the best on the market. Another dynamo will also be placed in position of 650 light power, which is a 325 stronger dynamo than the one now in use. It is expected that the new plant will be ready for work by Christmas. This is a much needed improvement, and it bespeaks well for the enterprise and push of Mr. Seigert to contribute this benefit toward the improvement of our fair city.

North, the Murderer, Gets a New Trial

The following from the Pontiac Leader is of interest to all our readers: "Messrs. Strawn & Norton have won another laurel in the action of the supreme court in the North case. On Saturday afternoon they received a dispatch from Ottawa to the effect that the decision from the court below had been reversed, and the case remanded for a new trial. The effect of this will doubtless be to free North from the death penalty and give him a term in the state penitentiary. The grounds on which his attorneys asked for a reversal of the decision of the circuit court were several: "1. That two jurymen had expressed the opinion previous to going into the jurybox that North ought to be hung; and one of them expressed a desire to join a mob and take him out of jail and hang him. When taken these jurors said on oath that they had not expressed an opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant. "2. That the paper offered as the dying declaration of Hodge contained matter not stated by Hodge. "3. That North was very drunk at the time of the killing, and in such case, while drunkenness is no excuse for the offense, it should mitigate the penalty. "Many other errors as to the admission and exclusion of testimony were also relied upon as grounds of reversal. Upon what particular ground the supreme court has reversed the case is not yet known. "Judge Tipton is to be on the bench here again in about ten days, and unless the attorneys in the case come to an understanding in the meantime and a plea of guilty is put in his case will come on for another trial at the January term of the circuit court here."

Election of officers.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Epworth League Tuesday evening the annual reports of the several committees were received. Delegates to the district convention, which will be held in Pontiac on the 18th and 19th of this month, were elected as follows: Rev. Conard, Mesdames M. Smith and B. D. Stevens, and Misses Artie Pollard and Lillie Conard. After other reports were heard the election of officers for the ensuing year followed: L. A. Naffziger, president; Henry Wood, secretary; Theo. Hayes, treasurer; John McWilliams, first vice-president; Mrs. Manning Smith, second vice-president; Della Pearce, third vice-president; Mrs. D. B. Stevens, fourth vice-president.

An Entertainment and Banquet.

The members of Hebron Lodge K. of P., who for several years have been giving a Thanksgiving ball, and which have always been looked forward to by our young people with much pleasure, have been obliged to discontinue it this year. The recent fire destroying the Kepplinger opera house, and the Keeley company occupying the I. O. O. F. opera house, being the cause of the discontinuance. But they are not daunted by this, and are now contemplating giving an entertainment and banquet. There is no doubt as to the success of the undertaking, as everything in connection with the K. P. order in this city is generally a grand success.

Robbery.

When Miller Bros. opened their store Monday morning it was discovered that the place had been entered during the night and goods to the amount of \$80 taken by the thieves. The entrance was made through the transom over the back door. The thieves took their choice of two suits of clothes and two overcoats from the large stock, and also some jewelry. They left their old clothes and made their escape.

Change of Base.

This week the North Star, owned and conducted by Chas. A. Stuck, changes hands. Mr. Stuck goes to Odell to continue the publication of the Gazette and Reporter, while E. H. Bailey, of Bloomington, has leased the paper above mentioned, taking charge immediately. We hope that Mr. Bailey's fondest hopes may be realized in coming to Dwight, and have no doubt that he will make a hit in the journalistic world that surrounds our little city.

A Pleasant Surprise.

On Monday evening last the Junior League of the M. E. church of this city, under the supervision of Mrs. Dr. Oakes, went enmasse to the residence of the pastor, Rev. Conard, and gave him a complete surprise. They brought with them a fine secretary and bookcase combined, and in a few well chosen words by one of their number presented it to him with the best wishes of the League. The present was heartily appreciated by the pastor, not only because it was needed but because of the loving hearts and willing hands that had made the present so much more valuable. They remained a short time, then each returned to their homes with glad hearts.

Campus.

F. E. Foltz was in Chicago last week on business. Mrs. Elmer Mahannah returned home Thursday, after a months visit with her parents. Quite a number of Campus boys went to Emington Saturday to the horse racing.

W. Y. Ogg has purchased property in Dwight, and will move there after he finishes his corn husking. Frank Foltz's family, and his father and mother, started for Nebraska, their future home, last Tuesday. Frank will go about the first of January. John Brazel shipped a load of hogs Tuesday night.

The new minister at Campus has held a revival for three weeks, and has made eight or nine converts. "Git up! and whoa!" has been everybody's motto since the farmers commenced husking corn. Mr. and Mrs. Corkhill, of Fairbury, were up setting out trees on the Pefferman farm this week, which they have purchased.

Nevada.

Mrs. Josie Cahill and son spent Sunday in Campus. Mr. Daniel Murphy bought forty head of cabbage of Tony O'Melia.

Frank Moore is at home sick with rheumatic trouble. He was afflicted the same way last fall. Patsie Langan's barn looms up immensely. Messrs. Moore & Campbell, the contractors, do too.

The back kitchen, or whatever they call it, is done at the elevator. It is not picturesque, but it will keep the horse from taking cold. Lyman Moore is contemplating publishing a book entitled "What I Know About Wheeling Someone Else's Baby Buggy." It will be interesting. Mrs. Cornelius Sheehan has just returned from Mendota, where she has been at the bedside of her mother who has been very ill. Mrs. James Clifford has come back from Nebraska, where she has been visiting her daughter and family. She reports the arrival of a nice little girl there during her stay.

Real Estate Sold.

The following property was sold by Chas. L. Romberger: Thos. Hughes, 36 acres to R. D. Gregg of Round Grove; \$3,750. Hahn Bros., 1 lot to Mrs. D. Courell; \$175. Casper Ash, house and lot to F. Rees, of Gardner; \$1,900. F. A. Haise, lot and a half to L. H. Martin; \$525.

The drainage of Dwight has been improved very much this summer. The Alton road has made a good open ditch from the Tom Perry corner to the first bridge. Ketcham and Austin are succeeding beautifully in deepening and straightening the Gooseberry through the east part of the village, thereby increasing the value of the east side residence portion very much. J. P. McWilliams continued the good work from the railroad bridge across his farm to the I. I. I. bridge. The I. I. I. people have taken up the work on their right of way, so now all that remains to make Dwight's open drainage complete is for the Alton railway to continue the work north of the I. I. I.

The most of our readers have read the account of the wreck on the Alton, which occurred at Wann, Illinois, south of Alton, last Saturday night. It happened to be the train on which our general citizen, John Pettit, distributes mail. He related his experience to a number of friends on his return home, which was highly amusing, notwithstanding the seriousness of the situation. His thoughts at the time were of a very serious nature, and we have no doubt that the smiles which chased one another over his ruby countenance on that occasion, were not the same ones he exhibits to his numerous friends when he comes in from his regular trip.

The new public highway beginning at the C. & A. R. R., just north of Major Judd's residence, and running north through Renfrew Lodge Stock Farm to the German settlement, has been nicely graded by our Road Commissioners, and as soon as the Gooseberry is completed it will be thrown open to the public. This will be a great convenience to our thrifty sons of Germany and supply the long felt want of our citizens for a shorter route into the heart of Good-farm. It will be a popular road because it is a short cut, and a good road, as the drainage has been provided with tile by the owner of the land.

Many of Dwight's guests take pleasure in a daily trip to Renfrew Lodge stock farm to see the French coach horses. They say they are as fine specimens as can be found in the United States. Captain took first prize as a three-year-old at the Minnesota State Fair, second prize at the great horse show at Chicago last fall, sweepstakes at the Minnesota State Fair this year, and second at Peoria. His English groom, Arthur Hornby, will take him to Chicago next month to battle for first honors at the fat stock and horse show.

A. Laughlin, Sr., member of the firm of A. Laughlin & Sons, lumber dealers of Streator, called on us Tuesday. He came to Dwight to look over the situation. He was completely surprised with the improvements going on. Mr. Laughlin is one of the oldest and ablest contractors of Streator, and would be glad to make estimates and take some contracts on our booming town.

The "prominent and influential citizen" who made some severe criticisms on the condition of our village, at the present time, entirely overlooked one point, which to us is the most important of contemplated improvements. We refer to the question of sewerage. The health and future prosperity of the town depends upon it.

Genial S. H. Morris, of Campus, a welcome caller at THE STAR AND HERALD office Wednesday. After a few pleasant remarks about the weather, etc., he smiled one of those smiles that does the heart of an editor good as he remarked: "Give me credit for two years subscription for THE STAR AND HERALD." Next.

Carpenters are so busy that they hardly take time to sleep. Wednesday evening the ring of the hammer was heard but the place could not be located. But shortly after it was discovered to be on the roof of Mr. Clausen, who lives next to Mr. Weeses' blacksmith shop. He was shingling his roof by the light of several lanterns.

Ketcham & Smith's Sales, Etc.

We have a business corner for \$3,500 which is a snap. Call and investigate. We have three or four rare chances in Dwight property. 182 acres that must be sold soon at \$50 per acre. A rare bargain—two lots for \$500. A large, roomy house, with 5 rooms, on Waupansie street; \$4,000. A house and two lots on Delaware street, for \$1,500. This is a cheap property. We have a house and three lots on Delaware street, for \$1,000. Investigate this.

We have vacant and improved property that is reasonable. A few farms that must be sold soon, at low figures. A rare chance—8 finely located and high lying lots, for \$2,500. Don't let this go by.

160 acres, 4 1/2 miles southeast of Odell, well improved; \$50 per acre. This is a bargain.

The following property was sold by Ketcham and Smith: One and one-half lots in Renfrew's addition, to Mr. Crawford; \$400. One and one-half lots in Renfrew addition, to Mr. Fowler; \$400. Three lots in Renfrew addition, to M. C. Sterrett; \$700. One and one-half lots in Renfrew addition, to Miss Jennie Thompson; \$400. One lot in Renfrew addition, to Mary A. Graham; \$250. Two and one-half lots on Delaware street, to Mrs. Rhinehart; \$800. One acre, from Mrs. Sophia Kerne to Thomas Hughes; east part town; \$1,500. One and one-half lots on Waupansie street, to H. T. McLane; \$500. Eight lots on south side of P. E. Miller's, to J. E. Austin; \$1,850. One lot on Waupansie street, from Bruce Reareick to Everett Kuykendall; \$1,750. One lot in Renfrew addition to John Thompson. J. Williams' livery and feed stable to Thos. Reel, of Clark City, and Levi McCornell of Gardner; \$4,400.