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## Real Estate

### Farm and Village Property

### FOR SALE

### Money Loaned on Real Estate.

### J. P. McWILLIAMS,

BANK OF DWIGHT.

DWIGHT, ILL.

## Special Announcement TO CASH BUYERS.

I have made arrangements with a number of the leading

## FURNITURE

AND

## BEDDING FACTORIES

by which I can furnish my trade anything in my line at very low prices, quality of goods considered. I now show the largest and finest assortment of

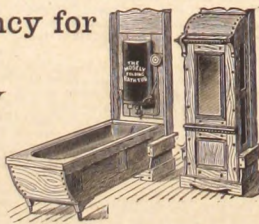
### House Furnishing Goods

ever placed on sale in Dwight. I also have the agency for the popular

MOSELY

### FOLDING BATH TUB,

The Best and Finest Thing in the Market.



## Baker's Furniture Store.

### J. S. CONWAY, M. D.

OFFICE AND ROOMS AT

RESIDENCE MRS. PEARRE,  
DWIGHT, ILLINOIS.

## HOLMAN & CROWLEY, Contractors and Builders,

DWIGHT, ILLINOIS.

P. O. Box 130.

No. 25 Mazon Ave.

### COUNCIL CULLINGS.

#### A. M. Bartholic Employed as Water Works Engineer.

#### The U. S. Gas and Fuel Co., Make Application to Light the City.

The regular meeting of the Board was held Tuesday night, all being present.

Mrs. Strufe made application to be allowed to build frame out house and barn inside the fire limits. It was promptly sat down on by the board, and we think there will be very little use for any other applications in that line.

The application of the band boys for the use of the town house for practice, was granted under certain restrictions.

The U. S. Gas and Fuel company made application for use of alleys and crossing streets and a franchise and contract of not less than fifteen years, and the use of a track of land 100x150 feet for the plant, and they would furnish light reasonable. The application was received and placed on file.

Bills were allowed, mostly on the water works fund amounting to nearly \$2,000.

The water works committee reported that they had examined the applications for water works engineer, and recommended the employment of A. M. Bartholic at a salary of \$50 per month. The report was adopted unanimously, and A. M. will take the position. Mr. Bartholic is a good and competent man for the position.

Mayor Thompson reported that he had filed the application with the county judge for special assessment, on January 12.

An ordinance fixing the maximum water rates was read and passed. It will probably be soon issued in pamphlet form.

City Clerk Doherty will be allowed 2 per cent for collecting water works rent.

The street and alley committee was ordered to interview Mr. Seigert regarding the electric light and report at an adjourned meeting next Thursday. If the matter is not fixed up by that time the contract will be let to some one else immediately.

The question of fire alarm was brought up and referred to the water works committee.

A vote of thanks was tendered to J. B. Clow & Son by the board, for a water works whistle, presented to the city.

Supt. Moffatt was also tendered a unanimous vote of thanks for the faithful performance of his duties in connection with the water works. Mr. M. left Thursday for his home in Clinton, Ill. During his stay he has made many warm friends among our citizens. He is surely a very pleasant gentleman and has labored faithfully to put in a first-class system of water works in our city.

A report was called for from the committee on plans for extending the water mains, but it was not ready to report.

The mayor took occasion to say that this was no time for dallying and all work should be pushed through immediately.

The board adjourned to meet Tuesday night at 7 o'clock.

#### The Water Works Test.

A practical test of our new water works system was made Tuesday afternoon and in the end proved very successful. The first tests were made from the hydrants at the corner of Mazon Avenue and Prairie Avenue and Delaware and Prairie, but one of the pipes proved to be broken on Mazon Avenue in front of the Keplinger property and consequently the pressure could not be utilized and the first test was not successful. However, the valves were closed so as to avoid the broken pipe and a test made latter from the hydrant corner of Prairie and Chippewa street with a pressure of 140 pounds. It took four men to handle the nozzle and a stream was thrown about 130 feet high, and with sufficient force to tare the roof off most any building. This proved that as far as the system proper is concerned it will be successful.

J. B. Clow & Co.'s (the pipe contractor) agent, Mr. Powell, was on the ground and immediately had the defective pipes dug up and telegraphed for more which arrived Wednesday and probably everything is all right now. We understand that it is very seldom that the first test is made without some accident of the kind, as it is nearly impossible to furnish so much pipe without some defective lengths being found. The expense of replacing the broken pipe, of course, will be borne by J. B. Clow & Co. The remaining pipes, where the second test was made, received a

severe test, as Clow's agent requested, and is undoubtedly all right.

The pump at the power house now works all right. A great deal of sand was raised at first, which, we understand, is always the case while testing a new well. The machinery at the new power house works nicely, and the whole system bids fair to be all right.

The cost so far, including fire apparatus and everything has been about \$11,000, and the cost for extensions, we are informed by Supt. Moffatt, will not be near so much as the plant has already cost.

The work of extending will be pushed forward right away, and already about three carloads of pipe have been ordered for that purpose.

The sooner the whole city is under good fire protection the better for all. Another test will be made to-day.

#### Electric Lights.

The Braidwood Bulletin says, that the Thompson-Houston Electric Light Co., is overcharging for all extras being put in outside of their regular contract in that town. It is well enough to have an ordinance drawn up covering all these points as the one recently drawn up by the citizens committee in Dwight. There is no loop holes in it, and may be that was the reason it was not accepted. The Thompson-Houston company seem to want everything their own way or they won't play. The way it looks now is, that the present contract will be annulled and a franchise given and contract let to some other company. There should be no delay in this matter, no matter what is done. We understand the company's agent freely admitted before witnesses last week that they had not lived up to their contract, so that is certainly sufficient reason to do away with the whole matter and let the contract to some company that will do as they agree. The Pontiac system is a good one, and we hear that Mr. Foster is anxious to light Dwight. If Mr. Seigert cannot see his way clear in the matter, let it to someone that can. If that gentleman cannot see any money in the contract contained in the ordinance, erase his name and change dates and put somebody's in it that can see money in it. We understand that the prices quoted in the ordinance were similar to those in force in Pontiac. If there is money in it there, certainly there is here. Give us light quick, no matter who furnishes it.

#### The Hummer is With Us.

One more indication of Dwight's popularity and importance has been acknowledged by the enterprising Chicago & Alton railroad, and that is, that "the powers that be" have ordered their handsome train to stop here night and morning regularly. They also leave their dining car here. This is a great accommodation to our visitors from abroad and to our business men. The latter can get into Chicago at 8:45 in the morning, and have until 6 o'clock p. m. to transact their business and return home at 8:15. We no doubt are indebted to Dr. Leslie E. Keeley for this great accommodation, as we also are for most of the prosperity of Dwight. The Alton road is surely fulfilling its obligations to the company and the town. We will shortly have the handsomest passenger station on the line and have one of the handsomest trains in the United States stopping regularly for passengers. As we have casually remarked several times, "Dwight boometh."

#### Go Way From Home to Learn the News.

The following is taken from the Louisville Courier Journal:

"Recently, a gentleman of this city in a letter to Dr. Leslie E. Keeley, of Dwight, Ill., the physician who has made himself famous by the discovery of a certain cure for the drinking habit, stated that he had been suffering for several weeks with the grippe. In his reply, which we are permitted to publish in the interest of humanity, Dr. Keeley suggests to his friend a simple and safe remedy, which he has found effective." He says:

"I would like to suggest a treatment for grippe, which I know is nearly specific as well as innocent. It is simply asafoetida, given in four grain pills, one pill four times a day. No man need be sick of grippe these days who will take it. For the past two years, with all the patients here, subject, of course to such epidemic, I have not had one man go to bed from grippe. I break it up very quickly, and in fact, cure it. If this treatment was generally known it would save sufferers much expense and wretchedness, and many useful and valuable lives."

#### Leap Year.

This is the year that the bashful young man is in it. We know of several that have been on the ragged edge of despair and have come very near uttering the words, but became tongue-tied just at the critical moment. The girls, of course, know who these young men are, and it is their duty to offer the proper encouragement, even if they have to do it all. That's what we have one more day in this year for, so there will be plenty of time. Then there are quite a number of young ladies, some not so young, in Dwight, that should take advantage of this one year in four. There are lots of desirable young men in town that are just dying for you, but dare not say the word. These young men have had three years to say the word, but their nerves are not 3-ply or a yard wide, and during this time we are sorry to say that very few marriage licenses have been issued from this section. We hope to see the girls improve each shining leap year and make a better record. Leap year parties, leap year sleigh rides, leap year proposals are all in order, and the girls in towns around us have commenced the good

work of gathering the boys in and caring for the poor unfortunates. Girls, it's your year and you can do what you are a mind to with it, but "look before you leap."

#### Just Like Him.

Hundreds of people in and around Dwight have cause to praise Dr. Keeley's liberality and charitableness, and before long thousands in Chicago will praise him for the same thing. There is a prospect that before long a Gold Cure establishment will be opened in Chicago for the purpose of curing victims of dipsomania who cannot afford to pay the usual amount for treatment. All that will be required of them is to pay enough for actual running expenses. The institute will be in connection with the Mutual Medical Aid Association, but Dr. Keeley reserves the right of absolute control and the selection of physicians and manager, so that his remedies will not be abused, which is just and proper. Dr. DeWolf, for many years at the head of the health department in Chicago, has taken a great interest in this matter and is negotiating for a suitable building in Chicago. Dr. Keeley, with his usual kindness of heart, immediately expressed his willingness to help the unfortunates, and all he asks is that the running expenses be paid. It is also stated by Dr. DeWolf that rich men will not be treated at this branch.

#### Dr. Keeley Lectures in Milwaukee.

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#### Ninth Congressional District Farmers' Institute.

The meeting of the above institute at Fairbury, this county, Jan. 10-21 inclusive, bids fair to be the most important one ever held in the district, and Livingston county farmers should endeavor to get the lions' share of premiums offered.

The Fairbury Union Agricultural Board offers the following premiums for the best exhibits of corn, competition open to the Ninth congressional district only. All exhibits must have been raised by the exhibitor and be the product of 1891. All exhibits to be donated to the committee on agriculture to be used in the Illinois building at the Worlds Fair of 1893. Ten ears of corn to constitute an exhibit, and will be as follows:

Best sample yellow \$10.00 2d best \$5.00  
Best sample white \$10.00 2d best \$5.00

In addition to the above the merchants of Fairbury have made liberal offers amounting to \$145 to farmers of Livingston county, taking first and second premiums, as the case may be.

We hope to see the northern part of Livingston county represented and that some of the premiums will be brought home with them. The Fairbury papers offer a year's subscription to all winners of first and second premiums.

The DWIGHT STAR AND HERALD will give one year's subscription to any farmer residing in the northern tier of towns in Livingston county that will take first or second premium in either the yellow or white corn exhibit.

From the above it will be seen that every farmer who takes a prize will be fully paid for the effort put forth to secure it.

One of the special features in connection with the corn exhibit will be the little Corn Palace, which was on exhibition at the El Paso fair, the State fair, Peoria, Ill., and in the Exhibition building in Chicago.

All corn entered for premiums should be left at the opera house in Fairbury, on Monday of the week of the institute. A committee will be there to receive it.

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