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THE DWIGHT CLUB.

Its Well-Earned Popularity Away From Home.

We clip the following article from the Reporter, of White Plains, N. Y., under date of Feb. 12, in which it will be seen that Dwight graduates are assisting the White Plains club to popularity and success:

"The great enthusiasm and interest manifested in the upbuilding and extending the usefulness of the club by those who gathered at the open meeting last Friday evening have resulted in infusing new and vigorous life into the society. The meeting was a great success, and at its close the opinion was unanimous that a flourishing Bichloride of Gold Club in White Plains would, like its prototype in Dwight, Ill., be a very valuable adjunct to the gold treatment at White Plains.

Mr. Van Der Voort, the secretary of the club, explained at the beginning of the meeting that little interest had been taken in the club by the patients at the White Plains Institute, and he believed that this was caused by a lack of knowledge of the great helping influences and blessings of such a club, all of which were understood and appreciated by any one who had enjoyed the privilege of being a member of the Dwight club. He then introduced to the meeting Mr. H. H. Green, of Mount Vernon, a graduate of the Dwight Institute and a member of the Dwight Bichloride of Gold Club, stating that that gentleman would explain to the audience the great good that had been done and was being done by the western club.

In an easy, informal manner, Mr. Green gave a brief history of the older club, explaining its workings and its benefits to the Dwight patients, declaring that it was one of the most important features of the bichloride of gold treatment at that place. He told of the great good which arose from the patients gathering at the club room and mingling in social intercourse; how the new comers, trembling from the effects of dissipation and with mind and body disordered and shattered, perhaps sceptical of the treatment, were encouraged and buoyed up by association with those who had been treated for some weeks and were well on the way to recovery. He told, too, of the cheering, encouraging effect of the hope-inspiring letters that are received daily and read at the club from members who had gone out into the world to begin their new lives.

The experience of these graduates, many of whom had completed their treatment many months previous and had felt no desire to return to their former lives, were always of keen interest to and fortified those undergoing the treatment, because they told them of the new and happy lives that they, too, could enjoy when restored to their families and friends. He also told of the struggles of the Dwight club when it was at first organized, and how it floundered along for some time, but that after vigorous life had been infused into it, and it now has a membership of over 3,000.

Mr. Van Der Voort, who was the thirteenth president of the Dwight club, also gave some interesting facts about the club and told the assemblage that it was within

their power to have the valuable privileges and aid to the gold treatment at White Plains that were bestowed by the club at Dwight by taking an active interest in the White Plains club.

Major Alfred R. Calhoun made an eloquent address in appealing to his hearers to make every possible effort to put the club on a sound footing. He recited an incident about letters that had been received by him from a graduate of the institute who, strong and well, and without the slightest



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return of the appetite that nearly wrecked his life, had been happily restored to his family and had commenced upon a career of usefulness and prospective brilliancy. These hopeful, encouraging letters had given moral strength and support to the large number who had read them, they having been passed around from one to the other until cracked at the folds. He explained the greater good that would come from having all such letters read before this club in the same manner as at Dwight.

A number of other patients who were present gave their experiences in their battle with their weaknesses, and told how confident and hopeful they were that they were now about to begin their lives over again, restored in mind and body, happily reunited to their friends and families, with bright prospects for a useful future life. Some of these life stories were indeed pathetic, but all were cheering and strengthening to those in need of encouragement. It is easy to see the beneficial effects that listening to such hopeful expressions would have upon patients when beginning the treatment.

Messrs. C. P. Sherwood, J. T.



AT THE WELL,
Treatment Administered Personally by Patients.

Lockwood and John Reed each spoke a few kindly words of encouragement to those at the meeting, and expressed their willingness to do all in their power to make the stay in White Plains of the Keeley patients to be pleasantly remembered as far as acquaintance with White Plains townspeople was concerned.

A letter of regret was read from ex-Justice of Sessions John H. Baxter, of Peckskill, a Dwight graduate, who was to have addressed the meeting.

Renfrew Park.
We understand that W. J. Hoy, representing Augustine & Co., nurserymen of Normal, is to lay out Renfrew Park soon. Good!

THE HOME CLUB.

When the delegates from the Bichloride of Gold Club of Dwight accepted the constitution and by-laws adopted by the convention held on the 15th, they virtually surrendered their charter as the Bichloride of Gold Club of the World, and the club is now a disorganized body, having no officers or government of any sort whatever. The resignation of Mr. Kehoe, as secretary of the Bichloride of Gold Club of the World carried also with it his resignation as secretary of the Dwight club.

Our home club has always occupied a somewhat peculiar position. Its charter reads "Bichloride of Gold Club of the World," while it is in many respects an auxiliary club the same as any other. Mr. Kehoe was secretary of both this and the national organization. Now he will devote his entire time and attention to the national organization or Associated Keeley Bichloride of Gold Clubs. This leaves the Dwight club without officers, except Mr. McNeill, who resigned Thursday morning.

The club met at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon and organized permanently; a full report of which will be found in to-morrow's daily.

ARC LIGHTS.

The Ordinance Passed Tuesday Night and Signed by the Mayor, Clerk and Mr. Seigert.

After a long and severe struggle the citizens' committee, town board and Mr. Seigert have reached a thorough understanding regarding electric light. It should have been settled long before, but if the Seigerts get a move on themselves we will have sixteen arc lights burning brightly within one month. Mr. Seigert seems to want to do what is right and the town board want him to have a fair compensation for his labors. The prices finally agreed upon for incandescent lights are as follows:

60 cents to 9 o'clock.
65 cents to 10 o'clock.
70 cents to 11 o'clock.
75 cents to 12 o'clock.
\$1.00 after 12 o'clock.

It was also agreed that all the incandescents shall burn until 12:15 a. m. so as to give arrivals here on the midnight train time to get home. The arc lights will burn all night.

Taking into consideration the fact that the Seigerts will have several thousand dollars invested in the business and that they would naturally be interested in living up to their contract, it was decided to cross out the section regarding their giving bonds. This may be right and it may not. We think bonds should be required of every one who is given a franchise to use the streets and alleys for profit. In this case, however, the responsibility to the city is left to the board, and any infringement on its rights should receive their immediate attention. The time for having the new system in operation is March 15, which will not be extended unless the weather is so that it is impossible to



THE NEW LABORATORY OF THE LESLIE E. KEELEY CO.

CLOSING ADDRESS.

Dr. Keeley's Closing Address Before the Convention.

We take pleasure in presenting Dr. Keeley's cheering remarks at the closing of the great convention of Associated Keeley Bichloride of Gold Clubs: GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSOCIATED KEELEY BICHLORIDE OF GOLD CLUBS:

I am called upon to-night, at the close of your session, to congratulate you upon work well done. I do not think a more important convention has been held at any time or place in the history of the United States, than the one I now address. You stand to-night, the strongest body of men for your numbers, not only upon this continent, but on the face of the globe. You represent all classes, conditions and callings. The pulpit, the bench and the bar have their representatives here. The commercial world as well as the farmer and the mechanic are also with us. In fact your representation to-night is as broad as the necessities of man. It was a small beginning eight months ago that to-night produces this grand result, and that beginning was backed by the prayers of the mothers, wives and daughters of the world. This movement is something grand to contemplate. You are brought together by an unselfish desire to aid your fellowmen. No selfish motive could have prompted this encouraging and outpouring of "man's humanity to man." I speak these words slowly that the representative of the Chicago Herald may get my words accurately and report them correctly. You are here under the eyes of the newspaper world, who will approve or criticize your action. These papers predicted wrangling and controversy and dispute. I am truly happy to state there has been none. The convention has been conducted in a spirit of fairness, justice and brotherly love, and as you go to your homes with memories and the hopes that are born here to-night because of your association with this convention and with this work, it will make you broader and better men. It will make you better satisfied with yourselves, better able to deal with God's unfortunates who may be thrown in your way, and who need your sympathy, your kindness and your support. God has blessed your work and he will continue to bless it. I thank you, gentlemen, and bid you good night and good bye.

work. The ordinance will be published in full in the weekly.

Col. Morgan made a few remarks in which he stated that Hon. W. W. Graham of Carbondale, who had had considerable experience in electric light matters in his own town, informed him that the present contract with Mr. Seigert was a very reasonable one.

On motion of Taylor, seconded by Bell, the ordinance was passed unanimously, and ordered published in the STAR AND HERALD.

The bond of Hill & McCabe, the sewer contractors, was read and approved. The firm has already ordered some of the material and requested that the lines of the sewers be given them at once so they could deliver the material to the right places. The matter of engineer and superintendent of the construction of the sewer was brought up and laid over until the next meeting, when probably Mr. Philbrick will receive the appointment. He has surveyed the city and knows the lay of the land and is just the man for the place. We understand he also offers to include the surveying of Renfrew Park in his bid.

Called to Washington.

S. T. K. Prime, one of our esteemed and widely known citizens, left for Washington, D. C., Tuesday, under the direction of the Chicago Board of Trade to give information to the congressional and senate committees to whom have been referred the Washburne bill in relation to dealing in futures, etc. As this selection clearly indicates, Mr. Prime is one of the best posted men on the subjects to which the bill relates, in this country. His reliability in this line is acknowledged the world over.

Going to California.

Dr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Keeley will start for California some day next week. They will be absent about a month, and during the time the Doctor will visit several branch institutes on the Pacific coast.

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

By Prof. Foster.

Patrons of schools having any of the authorized books to buy should provide themselves with a list of contract prices, which will be furnished from my office upon application. It has recently come to my knowledge that a book firm in Streator has been selling to patrons of contracted districts, Sheldon's first reader for 35 cents when the contract price is but 20, and Stoddard's Intellectual Arithmetic for 45 cents, when it is contracted for at 35. Persons from contracted districts who are charged more than the contract prices



HYPODERMIC TREATMENT.

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for books will please report the dealer to me at once.

Since the time for changing district boundaries is drawing near, I wish to advise those who are advocating a change, against trying to maintain small districts. It is better to keep the district as large as possible that the school may be in session long terms, and good wages paid to the best teachers obtainable, without making the taxation burdensome.

In case any question of district boundary cannot be settled by the trustees and is appealed to me, I wish to state that the greatest good of the majority and an equal division of the valuation will be considered in deciding the matter.

Where a change must be made for the benefit of all concerned, great care should be taken to have the petitions in legal form, and to comply with all the requirements of the law. Bate-man's Decisions will give all forms and necessary information.

Great carelessness is shown by school directors and treasurers in the drawing and paying of district orders. A case recently came to light where members of the board drew orders for the benefit of each other for services rendered the district, and signed themselves clerk or president to suit the circumstances. Two orders drawn on the same day are signed by two different members of the board as clerk. These were paid by the treasurer and were not questioned till some time later. The treasurer in this case, is liable to the district for the amount of the loss. Every school officer should know that the law forbids his being interested financially in any work



PRESENT CLUB HOUSE,
Old Presbyterian Church.

done for the district; that orders must specify on their face for what they are given; that a clerk is chosen at the regular organization of the board, to serve one year, and that the clerkship cannot be shifted to suit the convenience of members of the board.

The envelopes sent out to teachers this week, will contain the questions and blank report for the coming examination; blank cards for reporting the number of pupils who will take the township and central examination; the circular and questions for such schools as desire to enter the competition for prizes offered by the state board of agriculture, and some circulars for the pupil's reading circle, if they arrive in time.

Strayed.

By proving property a stray hog can be found by inquiring of Peter Stubenraugh, of Goodfarm.

FIRE FIGHTERS.

The Volunteers Divided Into Companies.

At an adjourned meeting of the Dwight Volunteer Fire Department held at the town house Wednesday evening the volunteers were divided into two companies. No. 1 is the Hook and Ladder company and No. 2 the Hose Company. Those assigned are as follows:

No. 1.	No. 2.
Wright, Capt.	J. Baker, Capt.
Rowley, Lieut.	Williamson, Lieut.
Calahan,	Weber,
Courll,	Hearing,
Orr,	Scott,
Hagerty,	Lightholder,
Richardson,	Hart,
J. Lawler,	Hansen,
Seymour,	Real,
Fenn,	Zimmerman,
Buffham,	Rabe,
W. Thompson,	Rogers,
E. Lawler,	Curtis,
West,	Taylor,
Patterson,	Crandall.

The above members can be transferred by permission of the captains.

Chief Keeley laid down the law in regard to outsiders intermingling at the time of fires, also regarding discipline, and he is right about it. Hereafter at fires firemen will take orders only from superior officers, and every order must be obeyed. The Chief will ask nothing unreasonable of the men, and they should obey immediately.

One thing is apparent, and that is that Chief Keeley knows his business and has the good will of his men, and that is half the battle.

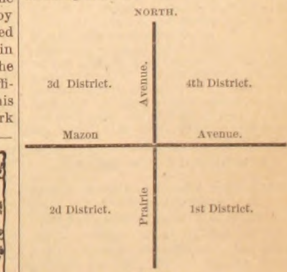
A committee on uniforms was appointed, consisting of the Chief and two captains. After having decided on the kind of uniforms and the price the matter will be turned over to a committee of citizens, who will canvass the town for the money.

Everybody in Dwight will expect the department to risk life and limb in case of fire in their behalf, and there should be no hanging back when the subscription lists are presented, and we don't think there will be. The fire department is just as necessary as the water works for protection, and the men in it must be encouraged and backed up liberally by the citizens. Besides uniforms there are numerous incidentals necessary for them to have.

It is stated that heretofore uniforms have been destroyed and lost, but this time Chief Keeley will see that they are all kept in their proper places in the fire department quarters.

Anyone knowing of any property belonging to the department is earnestly requested to notify Chief Keeley immediately.

Following are the fire districts and dividing streets:



Illustrations.

We present to-day a portrait of Dr. Leslie E. Keeley, the president of the company bearing his name, and the discoverer of the great bichloride of gold cure for dipsomania and kindred diseases. So much has been said of this wonderful man that it is not necessary for us to say anything.

We also present a view of the new laboratory building, which comes a great way from doing it justice. As soon as the gates are placed in position at the arches in front of the building we will present a more perfect view of the handsome building and give a general description of it.

The other illustrations to-day are a view of the patients at the open house well taking their medicine, the club house, formerly the Presbyterian church, and a view of patients receiving the hypodermic treatment.

Badly Injured.

Mrs. O. W. Pollard had the misfortune to fall Monday and dislocate her shoulder. The accident is a very painful one. That lady's many friends hope for her speedy recovery.