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The Best and Finest Thing in the Market.



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A Terrible Accident.

John Burkhardt, a farmer living four miles north of this city, met with an accident Monday afternoon which, but for the prompt action of his assistants, might have resulted in his death. Mr. Burkhardt and several others were operating a corn sheller on the farm, and in cleaning up the corn from the front part of the machine the sleeve of his overcoat caught in the tumbling rod of the sheller, drawing his right arm in with it and terribly lacerating the member. The bones were broken and mashed in several places and the flesh literally stripped from the arm clear to the shoulder. He was jerked around considerably before the machine was stopped, bruising him up and fracturing his left jaw. The machine was stopped as soon as possible and Mr. Burkhardt taken to the house. Dr. Oakshott assisted by Dr. Conway, were called and Mr. Burkhardt's wounds dressed and he was made as comfortable as possible under the circumstances. It was found necessary to amputate the arm at the shoulder, which was done. Mr. Burkhardt is in great pain, but at present is doing as well as could be expected.

The accident is made more than usually sad from the fact that Mr. Burkhardt had an operation performed on his leg some time ago, which totally incapacitated him from work for over two years. He was just able to begin work again when this accident occurred, the effect of which is to cripple him for life.

SENIOR CLASS SOCIAL.

The Ice Cream Was Excellent and a Good Time Was Enjoyed by All.

The Senior Class social at the high school Tuesday evening was a complete success both financially and socially. More than one hundred and fifty were present and all enjoyed themselves. No formal literary program was given, but several vocal selections were rendered by the school and others. Miss McMillan, a member of the class of '92 in the college of oratory at Evanston, recited some very pleasing selections. The refreshments were daintily prepared by the young ladies and as neatly served by the young gentlemen of the high school.

Among the decorations the most prominent was the class motto, conspicuously filling a large space at one end of the room. The back ground, 6x14 feet, was blue flannel. On this was a design of a row boat with two pairs of oars. In the hull and on the side, in class colors, light blue and pink was the class motto:

"ROWING—NOT DRIFTING."

The border was of the same colors and the corners were ornamented with ravelled rope tassels. In the blue above was the inscription of the authors of this beautiful design, "The Class of '92."

The net proceeds of the evening were about \$12 above all expenses.

The occasion was a valuable one for acquainting the people with the fact that there is such a thing as a high school in Dwight, and an interest is established in its work both in parents and pupils.

Some will say, perhaps, that such things are distracting the regular and proper work of the school, but the idea that the school is merely the place for conning books is passing away and the better ideal being established that what is done under the influence of pleasurable emotions is more permanent than that driven in with a club.

The exercises of the school frequently deaden the natural activities and smother the beauties of youth under a cloud of fear and trembling. As Froebel says, "Come, let us live for the children," for in their happiness and enjoyment we will find our own.

A Social Dance.

The little hop given at the Danish hall on West Chippewa street last Friday night by a select company of friends, was one of the nicest and most enjoyable gatherings ever held in that place. The Dwight orchestra, consisting of Messrs. Evans, Goodman, Flagler and Shepard, furnished their best music for all who wished to trip the light fantastic, and no one was backward for the clean waxed floor was as smooth as glass and the music held out attractions too inviting to be resisted. The dance was given by a number of excellent young men of our town, and none but the society elite of the city were present. As soon as possible a club will be formed and a teacher employed to instruct it in the terpsichorean art, and then Dwight will have some of the best dances ever given in Livingston county. We hope the young men will be successful in their efforts to organize a club for the pur-

pose of furthering this innocent amusement. We only regret that a better and larger place cannot be secured for giving the dances.

A Thing of Beauty and a Joy Forever.

Written expressly for the Star and Herald.
There are some things the eye never tires of. The ocean with its vastness and sublimity. Niagara Falls with its ceaseless roar and majestic volume of water is always music to the ear. The mountains as they reach heavenward, peaceful in their grandeur, ever bring rest to the eye in their contemplation. Coming down to the everyday walks in life I never cease to admire and am thankful to the Creator of the universe that he covered the fields with such a rich and green verdure. So it is in art. I am thankful that I live in such an age of beauty and I try as far as possible to surround myself with those things which cultivate my taste for the beautiful and tend to make me contented with my lot.

Look over our village to-day and see what it is now, and think what it was thirty-five years ago. We had a little depot then so small that only a handful of people could get into it; but what have we now? It is a long lane that has no turning and all things come to him who waits. We have waited long but our turn has come. I look upon the erection of the new and beautiful depot here by the Chicago & Alton railroad not only as a matter of public convenience, but as a monument which will stand for ages to Henry F. Dwight who planned and carried out this great railroad, second to none in this country. His prophecy when he rode over the Chicago & Alton road thirty-five years ago upon its completion has been literally fulfilled. Mr. Dwight then said: "The capabilities of this country (meaning of course the Chicago & Alton territory) to maintain mankind are beyond conception." Even so. In 1861 Livingston county produced over six million bushels of oats, besides millions of corn, countless tons of hay and no end of live stock. We are thankful as a community for what the Chicago & Alton railway has given us, a thing of beauty and a joy forever. Something the eye will never tire of looking at. A stimulant to each of us as individuals to do what we can to make our village attractive and an enduring and lasting monument to the enterprise and foresightedness of the man for whom this town was named—Henry F. Dwight.

Water Service on Mazon Avenue.

One week ago the subject of water service was agitated by some of the residents on Mazon avenue. They immediately went to work to see what they could do, presented their petition to the council, and succeeded in raising the required amount to insure the putting in of the mains. Proposals for bids for laying the mains will be received up to next Wednesday. This extension will consist of a six-inch main to the corner of Clinton street, and four-inch from that point to the east side school house. Two fire hydrants will be located, one on the northwest corner of Mazon avenue and Washington street, and another on the corner of Mazon avenue and Clinton street. The city will pay for the crossing of streets, and for all the material used in connection therewith.

The following are the names of those who contributed to this excellent enterprise: C. L. Romberger, B. A. Buck, School District No. 2, J. R. Oughton, Leslie E. Keeley Co., B. R. Griffith, J. R. Keeley, Messrs. M. Rearrick, J. S. Goodman, Roscoe Gould, Joe Miller, Carl Miller, Dr. W. Rabe, John McWilliams, Bruce Goodman, Mrs. M. L. Walker, Harry Lawrence and M. Seibert.

Mr. and Mrs. John Geis Surprised.

Last Tuesday night Mrs. Tony Dieffenbach accompanied by a large number of friends, went to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Geis on South street, took complete possession of the Geis mansion, and held undisputed sway until about 2 o'clock next morning. To say that Mr. and Mrs. Geis were surprised and pleased would be expressing it mild. About twenty were present, and the evening was made a most enjoyable one by cards, games, music, etc., which served to while away the pleasant hours. An excellent supper was served at 10:30, and ample justice was done to the immense amount of good things with which the festive board was loaded. It is said that Frank Reeb disposed of so much chicken and ham that he was compelled to sit down and rest many times before reaching home. A splendid time is reported by all who were present.

Obituary.

The funeral of Miss Joanna Crandall was held at the Congregational church on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. H. M. Cole gave a short address, and the Eastern Star then took charge of the body and accompanied it to the cemetery where their beautiful and impressive burial service was rendered. Miss Crandall had been sick for nine months with consumption, which always terminates fatally sooner or later. Born in Providence, R. I., July 6, 1857, Miss Crandall was almost thirty-five years old. Her many friends will miss her mild and even disposition and though they mourn her loss, her suffering is ended.

"There fell upon the house a sudden gloom,
A shadow on those features fair and thin,
And, softly from that hushed and darkened room,
Two angels issued, where but one went in."

The Silent Reaper.

At 8:45 Friday morning occurred the death of Miss Hattie Jeffries. This was a sad blow to her loving parents and many friends. Miss Hattie was in her 16th year, and for the past year she has had very poor health, yet no thought of her being called away so soon was anticipated. She is the daughter of Mr. Robert Jeffries, who has resided in Dwight for a number of years. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the relatives and friends of the deceased.

Funeral services will be held at the Congregational church Sunday at 2 o'clock, after which the remains will be interred in Oak Lawn cemetery. An obituary notice will be published next week.

Interesting Church Services.

The service at the Congregational church last Sunday night was unique. The fine choir rendered choruses, duets and solos, and with the accompaniment of piano, and with the sermon by the pastor on music the people enjoyed the change from the regular orthodox service.

Next Sunday night there will be a vesper service, consisting of duets, anthems and responsive readings. The choir will have the assistance of Mr. Ely, of the Keeley Co., and Messrs. Evans and Shepard (cornet and bass) of the Dwight Orchestra, with their regular chorus. The piano and organ will accompany the choir.

Instantly Killed.

Timothy Turner, a farmer who lives near Odell, was instantly killed by being thrown from a wagon last Thursday night. He in company with his son were on their way home from Pontiac, where they had been during the day. From some unaccountable reason the horses became frightened, starting to run, throwing the occupants out of wagon with the above sad result. The young man was severely bruised but not seriously hurt. The funeral was held in Odell last Sunday.

Dr. McAdams Found Guilty.

It is still fresh in the minds of our readers, no doubt, the sensational arrest of Dr. McAdams, of Gardner, for attempting to rob Lut's safe at that place a few months ago. The case has been before the last term of court at Morris, and resulted in a verdict of guilty and fixing the sentence at five years in the penitentiary. According to the evidence produced by the State, it is considered a severe sentence by the citizens of that vicinity. Dr. Boyes, who was arrested at the same time as being an accomplice, was discharged.

DePaw Quartette Company.

This company, which appeared before a Dwight audience for the first time last Thursday night at the M. E. church, is, as a whole, a very fair company. Considering the low price of admission charged—only 35 cents—they gave a very creditable performance. Mr. Hough, the humorist, is not so good as he might be, but some of his selections were fairly well rendered. Messrs. Maxwell and Miller, first and second tenor, both have good voices, and their solos were received with favor by the audience.

Badly Scared.

The following article appeared in the Chicago News of yesterday. Mrs. Fallis is a daughter-in-law of Mr. Thomas Fallis of Dwight:
"While Mrs. J. E. Fallas, whose husband has a drug store at 50th street and Princeton avenue, was alone in the store last night a young man entered. He drew a revolver, and aiming it at her head ordered her to give him the contents of the cash drawer. The weapon was accidentally discharged, the bullet entering the wall, and the young man became so frightened that he hurried from the store without seeking to secure anything."

Township Primaries.

Pursuant to the call, the People's caucus met in the town house last Saturday at 1:30 o'clock, and nominated candidates for the coming town election, which occurs one week from next Tuesday. The caucus was called to order, and John Thompson was elected chairman of the meeting, and James Kelagher, secretary. After announcing what the meeting was called for they proceeded to nominate candidates, which resulted as follows:
Supervisor—J. Thompson.
Town Clerk—Fred Liggett.
Assessor—James Kelagher.
Collector—Nathan Baker.
Commissioners—(long term) Jacob Christman; (short term) John Gremmel.
Trustees—(long term) J. M. Burnham; (short term)—G. S. Baker.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

Immediately after the adjournment of the people's caucus, the republicans gathered together to nominate their candidates. After order was called, Thomas Weldon was elected chairman and A. R. Zimmerman, secretary. The call was read, and nominations being declared in order, they commenced balloting for favorites. After a session of half an hour the following candidates were nominated:
Supervisor—R. Q. Mills.
Town Clerk—E. T. Miller.
Assessor—Roscoe Gould.
Collector—James K. Dunlap.
Commissioners—(long term) W. H. Taylor; (short term) Thomas Weldon.

Trustees—(long term) B. Brown; (short term) G. W. Boyer.
After the caucuses, the good and bad points of each candidate were talked of, and long-headed politicians, with their wise looks, called the turn on the rising aspirants. One thing is an assured fact, and that is, one week from next Tuesday someone will be elected and their opponents defeated. Both tickets are good ones, and we believe they are all competent to fill the office they aspire to.

New Carrier System.

McWilliams & Smith have placed in their store a cash carrier system. It is quite a novelty for a town like Dwight. It goes away with a great deal of extra walking back and forth through the store, and gives the clerks more time to wait on customers and facilitates their labors.

This system is known as the standard cash carrier system, and is perfect in every respect. It connects the clothing and grocery with the dry goods department, in which will be placed a nicely furnished office. Miss Minnie Barr will preside behind the railing, and the old system of making change will be so much improved that McWilliams & Smith will wonder "why they didn't do it before." We welcome all such enterprises.

Dwight Amusement Club.

An organization under the above name has been formed in Dwight, and henceforth there will be sufficient amusement prepared to satisfy our young people. This organization was formed Wednesday night by a number of our prominent young men, and have enrolled twenty-five charter members. The first evening's amusement will be next Tuesday night, a ball being on the program. We wish them abundant success and pleasure. The following are the officers elected: President, James McKay; vice-president, C. C. Gould; secretary and treasurer, Johnnie Doherty.

Found Guilty.

Odell has been largely represented at Pontiac this week, pertaining to the suits against Messrs. Grennin and Stahler, for selling liquor without license, and according to the Pontiac Leader they will have to pay not only the costs, which will aggregate \$600, but they were taken in charge by the United States marshal who took them to Peoria, where they will have to answer before the court there for similar charges. Messrs. Yancey and Bradshaw, of the same place, were also taken to Peoria for committing the same illegal acts.

The Sewerage.

Up to going to press no authentic report has been received in relation to the decision of Judge Wallace regarding the legality of the sewerage assessment. It is the general opinion that a new ordinance and assessment will have to be made.

Supervisor Mervin Dead.

W. R. Mervin, supervisor of Brighton township, died at his home Friday night last. Mr. Mervin has represented his township for the past twenty years, and was held in high esteem by his many friends and neighbors.