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## NELSON'S TAILORING PARLORS.

213 EAST MAIN STRE T,  
STREATOR, ILL.

## PANTS.

On Monday and Tuesday, April 25 and 26,

We will offer you Special Inducements in Pants for those two days only. Prices will be

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Respectfully,

J. G. BAKER, Salesman. N. NELSON.

213 East Main St., Streator, Ill.

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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 dan finest assortment of

## House Furnishing Goods

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

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The Best and Finest Thing in the Market.



## Baker's Furniture Store. For Sale.

Sealed Proposals will be received by Rev. Robert Conover, Chairman of the Property Committee of the Presbytery, of Bloomington, for the sale of the property known as the Presbyterian Church, of Dwight, Illinois. The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids. Terms, one-third cash, balance in one and two years with six per cent interest.

Bids to be addressed to Rev. Robert Conover, care of S. T. K. Prime, Dwight, Illinois. This offer to remain open until May 9, 1892, at 12 o'clock, noon.

R. CONOVER,

Chairman of Com. of Bloomington Presbytery.

S. T. K. PRIME, Agent for Committee.

DWIGHT, ILL., April 8th, 1892.

## VOTE THIS TICKET

And Mark It the Way This Is Marked.

Every man that is interested in the welfare of Dwight should vote this ticket as it is marked:

### (X) ANTI-LICENSE TICKET.

For President for One Year,  
CHAS. L. ROMBERGER.

For Trustees for Two Years,  
B. A. BUCK,

JOHN GEIS,

GEO. N. FLAGLER.

For Clerk for One Year,  
F. A. HAISE.

### Anti-License and Progressive Ticket.

The nominees of the anti-license ticket for the village election next Tuesday are all gentlemen well known here as excellent citizens, men who lead honest, upright business lives and are progressive, but not oppressive. They believe that public improvements are a necessity to the prosperity of Dwight, but at the same time believe in making these improvements so that they will not prove hardships to the poor.

Chas. L. Romberger, candidate for president of the board, has labored faithfully on the citizens' committee for the past year and has shown himself to be a good, live, energetic citizen. It should be borne in mind that, although Mr. Romberger assisted in drawing up the last sewerage ordinance, he was working under instructions. He also assisted in drawing up the electric light ordinance, which is destined to prove very beneficial to the city's interests. Every man interested in the welfare and future prosperity of Dwight will cast a vote for Chas. L. Romberger for president.

B. A. Buck is the well-known hardware merchant and is always in the front rank when anything for the interests of the city is at stake. Mr. Buck's business qualifications are well known. As a member of the board he will be "the right man in the right place."

Geo. N. Flagler is one of our level-headed business men and is engaged in the lumber business with his father. His integrity and business qualifications are beyond question, and when he served the city as a member of the board he made a first-class representative of the people. George has lots of friends and will poll a large vote. Look out for "Posey."

John Geis, our cigar manufacturer, has been a resident of Dwight for many years and has been a member of the town board several times, and as regards public improvements has always been on the right side. He is enterprising and progressive and would make a wide-awake member of the board. He has many friends, who expect him to be elected by a large majority.

F. A. Haise, the candidate for clerk, was for years agent of the Alton here and now holds an important clerical position with The Leslie E. Keeley Co. He has all the qualifications for the position and will be the next clerk.

### Democratic County Convention.

The democratic county convention for Livingston county was called to order Tuesday afternoon in the court house at Pontiac, by the chairman of the county central committee, W. W. Sears, of Chatsworth, was elected temporary chairman, and the democratic editors, Messrs. Johnson, of the Free Trader and Observer and C. Brydia, of the Fairbury Record, were named as secretaries.

The following committee on credentials was appointed: A. Gibbons, E. T. Potter and W. E. Baker. Committee on permanent organization—W. E. Baker, Chas. Axt and Wm. Thompson.

While these committees were out, A. G. Hunter, candidate for the nomination for governor, made an enthusiastic speech on the tariff question. The committee on permanent organization then recommended A. C. Norton for permanent chairman, and the secretaries above named.

A committee of seven was then appointed by the chair to name delegates to the state convention as follows: A. E. Harding, C. E. Axt, W. E. Thompson, C. R. Virgin, A. Gibbons, A. Dittenbaugh, E. T. Potter.

The delegates chosen were as follows:

M. Cleary, J. T. Toohey,  
E. Whalen, C. S. Brydia,  
M. A. Reno, Barney Reilly,  
J. Telford, J. Kelagher,  
M. Patton.

Following were the alternates from this section of the county:  
Alex. Cupples, B. A. Buck,  
M. Kennedy, Chas. Axt.

The delegates to the congressional convention are as follows:  
Chas. Vandoren, H. List,  
Peter Heinen, M. Cleary,

C. S. Brydia, J. Eckelman,  
A. L. McKee, L. J. Trunnell,  
Jas. Talford, Robt. Elmore,  
N. O. Darnell, J. A. Smith.

The delegates from Dwight say, the convention was very harmonious. Resolutions were passed endorsing the record of John M. Palmer, but the delegates all go unincorporated.

Wm. H. Ketcham made a speech in which he stated that he was for Grover Cleveland first, last and all the time.

The delegates from Dwight, were Jas. Kelagher, Will Ketcham, A. T. Doherty, L. J. Trunnell, B. A. Buck, Jared Williams, Peter Heinen, Geo. L. Kern, J. Christman.

Round Grove—E. T. Potter, Elmer Clover, Barney Reilly, Thos. Lawless, Ben Thompson, Thos. Feeley.

Mr. A. Gibbons was one of the delegates from Nevada.

All returned home on the afternoon train.

## EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

By Prof. Foster.

A dozen teachers have filed applications for spring schools at this office, and if directors will write us, stating what kind of a teacher they wish to employ; how long a term is to be taught; date of beginning, and wages they will pay, we will be able to secure them good teachers without delay. Later it may be hard to find good teachers.

An application is on file for a school for the winter term. The gentleman applying holds a good second grade certificate in this county, but has had no experience. He wants \$40 per month, and unless he succeeds in making a contract in this county within the next three weeks, will go to another county. We shall be glad to put school officers in communication with him.

School Treasurers are earnestly requested to report the names of members of school boards to us upon the blanks furnished them for that purpose, as soon as they possibly can after the school election. It is imperative that we have a correct list of school officers at once.

We have in the office a package of school treasurer's bonds, copies of which will be sent to any township upon application.

Teachers who have made contracts for spring schools will please report to us at the earliest possible time, the name and number of their district, term term is to begin, wages paid and name of the clerk of the board, as well as their own postoffice address while teaching. This must be done in order that they may be properly supplied with work and questions for gradation.

Clerks of Boards of Directors will please notify us upon postal cards of the names and addresses of members of their boards; the names of the teachers employed for spring; wages paid; date of beginning and length of term. The law provides that such notices shall be sent us within ten days of the time of making the contract, and in order that we may do our spring visiting to the best advantage with the least loss of time, we must have this information from directors.

A full report of officers and teachers has never been made to this office, and much valuable time is lost and supervision is hampered for want of it.

### Twelve Pages.

The STAR and HERALD issue this week consists of ten pages. On the fifth and sixth pages, will be found S. T. K. Prime's Crop Report for this month and also a splendid article on "Country Roads," by Mr. Prime, who has kindly allowed us to use it in this issue. Mr. Prime is considered first-class authority on crop reports, and his Bulletin is the best paper of the kind published in the world.

### Very Sick.

Miss Maggie Lawler is reported very sick from the effects of blood poisoning. She has recently been employed at Jas. Goodman's, but was carried to her home a few days ago, where she lies in a dangerous condition. Her friends hope for speedy recovery, and are doing all in their power to relieve her distress.

## WHAT WE WANT.

There is a Bright Prospect of Several Factories Being Located at Dwight During the Present Season.

Several of Dwight's enthusiastic and progressive citizens, including Dr. Leslie E. Keeley, Chas. L. Romberger, Judge Arnold, N. N. Mickelson, Joe Miller, Will Ketcham, Geo. Kern and W. G. Dustin, of the STAR and HERALD, visited a neighboring town the first of the week to take a look at the canning factory at that point and inquire into its workings as much as possible. This was done with the idea in view of starting a similar factory in Dwight. It was found out that such a factory would give employment to an average of twenty-five hands the year around and was a good financial investment for the stockholders and a good thing for the farmers within a radius of five miles. The workings of a canning factory are somewhat as follows:

The capital stock necessary is about \$18,000, which includes sheds where the husking is done; the factory proper, where the corn is cut from the cob by machinery, placed in cans, sealed, cooked and labeled; the store house, capable of containing forty-two carloads of cans ready for shipment, and engine room, office and labor-saving machinery competent to put up 50,000 cans a day during the season. Contracts are made with farmers within a radius of five miles only, to furnish so much corn each year, the agents of the company telling them when to pick the corn and furnishing the seed. The distance is governed by the fact that the corn must be picked with the husks on and delivered the same day, so that it will not sour or dry out in hot weather. The contracts are made with some to plant early, and so on as long as possible, so that the whole season may be utilized. The raiser of the corn has only to snap the corn with husks on and deliver it under the large covered shed at the factory, where boys and girls husk it, and the farmer is paid 40 cents per 100 pounds after the husks are removed. A bushel will weigh in the neighborhood of 130 pounds, which would give the farmer about 60 cents per bushel and no seed to furnish, and those that attend to the crop properly make from \$18 to \$23 per acre from their land, which is considered excellent.

The factory during the season would employ about 100 hands and the average during the year would be about twenty-five.

It would require only a little extra machinery to include the canning of peas, beans, tomatoes, pumpkins, etc.

The whole factory would be run by steam, and all by a 20-horse power engine and a 50-horse power boiler. The latter is required to be large on account of using a great deal of steam in cooking, etc. The husks and cobs are given to the farmers if wanted, although there could be a good market for the husks, if looked after, to use in mattresses, etc.

### MEETING CALLED.

Bills were gotten out Tuesday announcing a meeting of progressive citizens and farmers to talk the matter over, but some of the disinterested people circulated the report that it was "nothing more than a political dodge," so those interested in pushing the town to the front thought it best to postpone the meeting until after election next Tuesday. The gentlemen who are in correspondence with several enterprises are desirous of not depending wholly on The Keeley Co. for support, but to have diversified interests. One firm has offered to donate the necessary land and take \$5,000 stock, and another enterprising gentleman, we learn, says he will donate 160 acres of land for factory purposes if the people will take hold of the matter. With a progressive village board, backed up by our enterprising citizens, there is a bright prospect for the future of Dwight.

### A Farmer's Opinion.

We heard an intelligent farmer remark the other day: "Why, what in the world do these people in Dwight mean by talking against improvements. The Leslie E. Keeley Co. has made a veritable little city out of Dwight, and made property worth about four times as much as it was four years ago. I tell you there is an element in Dwight that does not deserve prosperity, and do not appreciate what Dr. Keeley has done for them as much as we farmers do for miles around. Why, this sewerage does not cost as much as tiling my farm did in proportion to the valuation."

This is Business.

TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT:

We, the undersigned, nominees for the village election to be held on the 19th day of April, 1892, are in favor of having sewers constructed in all alleys in the original Plat of the Town of Dwight, Illinois, except in blocks number one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), sixteen (16), seventeen (17) and twenty-four (24), and in any other alleys where the majority of the property owners adjoining said alley may petition, said sewers to be so constructed as to admit of tile drainage. The special assessment for said sewer to be fairly, legally, and equitably made; also to extend the water system wherever the public and sewer system demands it; also build all necessary works, keep them in good repair and the crossings clean, all public improvements to be judiciously and economically made, and only such as are necessary for the growth and prosperity of our village, always keeping in mind that, if elected, we are public servants working for its benefit.

CHAS. L. ROMBERGER,  
BENJ. A. BUCK,  
GEO. FLAGLER,  
JOHN GEIS.

### Sewerage.

The Anti-License, progressive candidates, Messrs. Romberger, Flagler, Buck and Geis, have sent out town plats marked with red lines, designating the alleys and streets in which, in their opinion, there should be sewerage at present, which is positively necessary for the health of the community. The assessments for the localities marked will not be any higher, if as high, as they were in the recent assessment, \$27.50 for 50 feet, payable in three annual payments. The assessment on outside property will probably be about 7 cents per foot, payable in three annual payments. That is about \$3.50 in three annual payments. Not a VERY GREAT HARDSHIP, as some would give you to understand. The reason the tax on outside property will be less is because, if the no-license candidates are elected, they intend to make the railroad stand its share of the assessment, and thereby cut down the assessment on the property holders.

### Patients Will Come.

We hear it remarked that there will never be many more patients here for treatment again on account of so many branches of the Keeley Institute being started. That is decidedly a wrong impression. The branches catch a class of unfortunates who cannot stand the expense of coming so far for treatment, and would never get the benefit derived only that they are near. Those that can afford will come to Dwight for years to come for treatment, because it is headquarters, provided the necessary improvements are made. If the no-license ticket is elected next Tuesday they WILL be made.

### Death of Charlie Wagner.

The death of Chas. Wagner occurred at the residence of Gus Levi last Saturday morning. Mr. Wagner had been employed at the Livingston tonsorial parlors for some time, and had made many friends here. He was taken sick last Monday week with a bad cold which rapidly developed in pneumonia, and resulted in his death as above. Everything was done for him that kind hands and physicians could accomplish, but to no avail. His former home was in New London, Wis. Mr. Levi found it impossible, after making every endeavor to discover the deceased relatives, so the remains were laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery.

### A Good Base Ball Scheme.

Dwight would be a first-class town for an Illinois-Iowa team, as there are between 1,100 and 1,200 visitors there all the time, and they have absolutely no amusement of any kind. A ball team at Dwight would surely be a winning scheme, says the Rockford Register-Gazette.

Right you are, Mr. R.-G., and we have part of the material right here to go into the enterprise—some good amateur players, with proper practice, as there is in the state. We think, if some of the officials of the Illinois-Iowa league would visit here, they would be successful in raising a club. President McKee, of Rockford, would be a good man to come here.

### Aid. Bell Very Sick.

Aid. Bell is a very sick man. Mr. Bell, the baggageman at the Alton depot, was taken suddenly sick with pleuro-pneumonia a few days ago and has been confined to his bed ever since. His condition is very serious, but everything is being done for his comfort that kind hands and medical assistance can accomplish, and his many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

To-morrow is Easter Sunday.