

EDITORIAL NOTES.

We kick on the income tax, but we kick a heap more on the income.

Ex-Gov. Fifer and Ex-Senator C. J. Lindley will speak in Forrest next Thursday.

Quite a number of Dwight democrats will listen to Vice-president Stevenson in Streator to-day.

Hon. Walter Reeves and Geo. W. Patton spoke to a large audience at Princeton, last night. They speak the 16th at Mendota.

Hon. Walter Reeves will speak in Odell Wednesday evening the 24th. He will probably speak at the opera house in Dwight, Friday evening, Nov. 2nd.

Ladies and Gentlemen: We arise to suggest that you all see that your names are on the register next Tuesday, or two weeks from next Tuesday, the 30th.

Abraham Lincoln once said: "I don't know much about the tariff, but I do know that when an American sends \$60 to England for goods, the American gets the goods and the Englishman gets the money. But when the American pays the home manufacturer \$60 for goods, the Americans get the money and the goods both."

At the Illinois republican league meeting at Springfield Wednesday the following officers were elected: C. W. Raymond, of Watska, president; John Russell, secretary. The vice-presidents were selected by the congressional districts and W. G. Dustin was chosen for the eleventh. The executive committee from Livingston county is Eben Gower, of Odell. Lou Strawn, of Pontiac, was selected as one of the committee on rules and regulations.

The Fairbury Blade had twenty-one columns of display advertising last week, and said it was probably the greatest of any paper in the state. Oh, no, brother, you don't have to go outside your own county. The STAR AND HERALD often contains twenty-one columns and more, and we print six pages at home. But we congratulate you on your well deserved success. The Blade is a good, clean, reliable, conservative republican paper, and is a credit to Fairbury and its proprietors, and we are pleased to see that the merchants of that city appreciate energy and enterprise.

Major Wm. McKinley's trip through the western states was one continual ovation. He arrived in Illinois Tuesday evening and left early Wednesday morning over the Chicago & Rock Island railway for Springfield. He made thirteen speeches on the way, stopping at Joliet about fifteen minutes, at Ottawa twenty-five minutes and at Peoria three hours. Immense crowds greeted the great protection advocate at these places and at Peoria the crowd was intense. The McKinley train left Peoria at three o'clock and arrived in Springfield about five, where the Major addressed the delegates to the Republican League Clubs, meeting in the State house, immediately after arrival. At 8:00 he spoke to an immense multitude of people from a platform erected on the state house grounds in Springfield. There has probably never a man traveled through this country on a political mission on what is termed an "off year" that has ever received such a continued ovation as Governor Wm. McKinley, of Ohio. Why is it?

Right in Line.

We regret to see the rather slighting reference to Mr. Strawn made in the Star and Herald last week, the editor of which was a member of the congressional convention. As far as the Free Trader and Observer's references are concerned, its crocodile utterances are well understood and instead of creating the impression intended only produce disgust in the minds of those intended to be effected, and for its utterances Mr. Strawn is in no way responsible. Among Republicans, however, the differences of opinion as to certain matters between Mr. Strawn and the members of his own party, have been, and ought now to be consigned to oblivion, as the last convention in Streator closed up the controversy entirely, and the convention being the work of representative republicans of the entire district, was satisfactory to Mr. Strawn and everyone else and was accepted by him as well as all others as final. It is therefore unfair to Mr. Strawn, who is as good a republican as ever, to make references to the past differences, which might place him in an improper light before the people. It can therefore serve to no good to re-open these matters. Let every republican buckle on the armor and work with unceasing earnestness for the election of the entire ticket.—Pontiac Sentinel.

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Mr. C. Calloutte, Druggist, Beaverville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with la grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail, and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it. Get a free trial at Barr & Davis Dwight, Augustine & Son, Braceville, Smith & Meluhsh, Gardner, Drug Store.

History of Dwight

FROM THE FIRST SETTLEMENT UP TO DATE.

(1881-82 continued.)

D. McWilliams having been appointed a delegate to the World's Conference of the M. E. Church, which was to be held in London, accompanied by his wife, visited England, Ireland and Scotland and many parts of the Continent. H. T. Newell offered to the public his new and valuable book of "Statistics and Common Facts." John Tierney tendered his resignation as Road Master on the C. & A. R. R., and was succeeded by Timothy Driscoll. Union meetings were held in the park during the warm weather. Geo. Taylor sold his Highland farm and purchased a farm of Wm. Rhodes, one mile south of town, paying \$7,200. Joseph Salzer accepted a position with Miller Bros. Mr. James Goodman and Miss Jennie Hess were married. Wm. Prime attended school at Mt. Forrest. John P. McWilliams at Evanston, and Harry Duffenbaugh at Champaign. A memorial service was held in the West Park in honor of the dead President, James A. Garfield, the preparations for which were elaborate and in excellent taste and the occasion drew together an immense audience. Col. R. P. Morgan, Jr., acted as chairman of the day, Miss Artie Pollard personated the Goddess of Liberty, and Father Halpin and Capt. J. H. Rowell delivered eloquent addresses. Ella Strong, of Yankton, visited our place. Major Paul's family occupied residence west of Congregational Church. Mr. Wm. Eaton and Miss May Ross were united in the bonds of wedlock. Mrs. Lewis Kenyon spent the winter east. Rev. Lee became pastor of the Congregational Church. John Vickery visited the home of his boyhood in England. K. S. Sedgwick sold his residence to Nelson Mickleson, preparatory to his removal to Kansas. Lucy Barnum took charge of the Ruling school. S. T. K. Prime occupied one of the houses of L. G. Pearre during the winter. J. H. Turner was badly scalded by the blowing out of a plug in a steam boiler in Conrad's planing mill. The L. E. Keeley Co. began shipping their cure for drunkenness and the opium habit to Australia. Evans Owens left for his new home in Colorado. T. C. Cook returned from a visit to Ohio with a new wife. Mrs. Hagerty spent the winter among friends in the east. Thomas McEllduff returned home from Leadville, Col. Mr. Edward Adams and Miss Lizzie M. Baker were married. Mrs. Mary Payfair, an old resident, was found dead in her bed, having lived to the age of 70 years. The marriages of Mr. Corydon Gould and Miss Mary E. Buren, and Mr. Chester Smith and Miss Mattie Johnson were reported. The small pox made its appearance, which created great alarm, several houses were quarantined and a pest house was put in order on the outskirts of the village, there were several victims, two of whom died. Col. R. P. Morgan, Sr., at the ripe age of 93 years, passed away, he had in the course of an eventful life been identified with nearly all the great railroads of the country. Nelson Cornell died, aged 62 years, he came to Dwight in 1854 and occupied a position, for a number of years, with the C. & A. R. R., he took and completed successfully, several large contracts for grading, the last one being a contract with the I. I. & I. railroad, the anxiety and labor attending which probably caused his death. Mr. Wm. Wykes and Miss Carrie Clarkson married. Chas. Crandall receives injuries by attempting to alight from a train. I. N. Gray wrote a number of practical articles which were published in the Dwight Star. Mr. Frank Gibbons and Miss Ella Stapleton were united in marriage. Rev. John Ker, of Ireland, occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church. E. Barr, of Goodfarm, died of heart disease, he had been a resident of Goodfarm for many years and had taken a prominent part in its affairs. His death was much regretted. Allen, a promising lad, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Potter, came to his death after a short illness. Mr. Mart S. Hazleton and Miss Jennie French were joined in marriage. Eugene Seymour was seriously injured by the accidental discharge of a pistol in his own possession. Col. K. P. Morgan, Jr., returned from a business trip to Colorado and New Mexico. Mrs. Theodore Elissessor was removed by death. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Weagley celebrate their golden wedding. The community was plunged into deep distress by the sudden and accidental death of Wm. H. Ketcham, he was born in 1821, came to Dwight in 1855, held offices of trust during nearly all these years, was a prominent member of the Odd Fellows and had a host of friends.

1882-83.

The campaign preceding the election which marks the beginning of this year, was in a number of respects more exciting and interesting than any former ones had been. It was opened by the publication of some circulars, succeeding each other at weekly intervals, the design of which was to present in

the briefest manner possible some of the reasons why prohibition, which has been made such a success in suppressing liquor selling, preventing any public exhibition of drunkenness and in securing quiet and good order, should be tried another year. Some persons, in the interest of the license party, ventured to publish a circular which was intended as a reply to the little temperance sheets, and to set forth some reasons why prohibition should be abandoned and the liquor traffic reopened. This printed document was entitled "Common Sense," and was the first venture of the kind the license party of Dwight had ever made; and, as a matter of history, it may be stated the attempt has never since been repeated. This printed effort of the friends of license incited the managers of the temperance movement to publish a twelve column paper, bearing the name "Good Sense." A number of copies were issued, and during the week prior to the election it made its appearance daily. On the evening previous to the day of election the license party gathered at the hall to listen to an address by Judge Lynch, of Lincoln, while an audience filled the M. E. church on which occasion addresses were delivered by F. M. Fanning, Revs. P. A. Pool and W. E. Miller, and H. A. Kenyon, O. W. Pollard and others. C. J. Judd, I. H. Baker and R. P. Morgan, the prohibition candidates, were elected by an average majority of 27 votes. O. W. Pollard, Col. J. B. Parsons and Dewitt Scott having been elected for the long term, held over, Hugh Thompson, on the prohibition ticket, was elected clerk, receiving twenty-six more votes than the opposing candidate. The new Board organized, making O. W. Pollard its president. S. M. Witt was continued in the Marshalship and Elwell Collins retained as night police. David McWilliams was appointed treasurer and L. G. Pearre was employed as village attorney. Franklin street was extended to the I. I. & I. railroad. An ordinance prohibiting the use of toy pistols and percussion caps for the amusement of children, was passed. Measures looking to the removal of the Lig elevator and thereby lessening the fire risks, were adopted. At a request of a majority of the tax payers, Philip Weicker was allowed \$200 as damages sustained by the tearing down of his residence with a view of stopping the further progress of the great fire on West street. S. M. Witt resigning, in the fall, his position, E. Collins was appointed to succeed him. During the winter the scarlet fever prevailed, several deaths resulting therefrom and its presence caused considerable alarm. The extent of the disease was greatly exaggerated in other localities, and many persons were deterred, through fear, from coming to the place to transact business, whereupon the Board authorized the issuance of 500 circulars setting forth the facts. The expenditures for the year were \$3,119.64. Mr. Luther Benson, of Ind., the author of "Fifteen Years in Hell," and at that time a popular temperance orator, lectured in the M. E. church. The Ladies Society of the Presbyterian church organized, Mrs. S. T. K. Prime, President; Mrs. Jas. Paul, Sec.; and Mrs. J. C. Lewis, Treasurer. Union services of the several churches were held in West Park on Sunday afternoon during the summer months. John P. Campbell married Mrs. Tait. Lucy Barnum gave an exhibition at the close of her school at Prime Academy. Edward Cline succeeded C. M. Baker in the drug business. Rev. Father Halpin, after a residence of five years, dissolved his connection with the Catholic society of this place, his departure was much regretted by all our citizens. The 3-I offices were moved to Kankakee. An Archery club was formed, quite a number joining. Col. J. B. Parsons resigned his position in the army. Chas. Stevens' dwelling, in Goodfarm, was destroyed by fire. In August the great fire on West street occurred. Amos' hotel, Spey's bakery, Kern's building, Kern & Scott's grocery stock, Koehler's building, Dernbach's barber shop and Geis' cigar shop were destroyed. Philip Weicker's store and dwelling was torn down to arrest the progress of the fire. The two elevators and the freight house, water tank and depot of the C. & A. R. R. were all on fire at the same time. It required great exertion on the part of the citizens to save these buildings and to prevent the destruction of all the business houses of the village. The Renfrews played a match game of ball with the Reds, of Streator. Charlie Fenn accepted a position with Miller Bros. L. G. Pearre was nominated by the democrats for the office of county judge. S. M. Witt was elected sheriff. Chas. Payfare moved to Joliet. Francis Carey rented his house to Adam Dernbach and with his family moved to Chicago. Mike Kern erected a brick building on the burnt district. Mr. W. A. Chamberlain married Miss Emma Ketcham. W. H. Amos and family moved to Gliddon, Iowa. Edward and Nellie McWilliams made a trip to Europe, spending most of the summer on the continent. Johnnie Fenn, a very promising young man, was accidentally killed by the caving of a sand bank. Col. Wyatt, of Lincoln, delivered a temperance lecture in West park. S. M. Witt moved to Pontiac to enter upon his duties as sheriff, and was succeeded in the marshalship by E. Collins. John

Geis purchased the residence property of T. W. Wright. Rev. Wm. R. Scott, of the Presbyterian church, preached his farewell sermon. Mr. Edward T. Metz married Miss Baranna Losee. Rev. Lee, of the Congregational church, resigned his charge and moved to Joliet. Mr. U. Gault married Miss Alice Hamrick. Orrin Gould died at the age of 73 years, he came to this place in 1855, was a man of industrious and temperate habits, upright in all his dealings, and during his residence here held several offices. S. W. Strong received the appointment of deputy sheriff and changed his residence to Pontiac. Col. J. B. Parsons sold his coal and ice business to J. D. Ketcham. Theodore Clark died of consumption. J. H. Lloyd sold his farm and moved to Missouri, where he engaged in a general mercantile business. Pollard & Buck dissolved partnership and the latter continued the hardware business. Eleven deaths resulted from the scarlet fever scourge; Miss Nellie Gallup, a beautiful and popular young lady, and Miss Laura Thompson, a graduate of our high school, and four of the family of T. J. Johnson were of the number. Mertie Clarkson, Sophia Hanson, Capt. John Stafford, Mrs. Francis Carey and Mrs. Mart Hazleton were removed by death. The Methodists held a memorial service in memory of the scholars of the M. E. church Sunday school who had died as a result of the epidemic and other causes. The Good Templars disbanded after several years of efficient work in the interest of the temperance cause. Mr. Lawrence Roe married Miss Gorden, and B. H. Groll married Miss Hannah Klappine. The firm of Gore, Losee & Austin dissolved. The National Fire Escape Co. organized with a capital stock of \$10,000, the object being to introduce Dr. Payne's fire escape. The Presbyterians gave an entertainment, the principal feature of which was the broom brigade. Dr. L. F. Abbott located in Dwight. Levi Reeder leased the Cornell house and livery stable. Hiram Cornell took charge of a hotel in Braidwood. The marriage of Mr. Alvi Barnum and Miss Nellie Stormer was reported. D. D. Lewis retired from a position as clerk in the store of D. McWilliams after a continuous service of over 23 years. Waters & Hawthorne dissolved partnership. I. H. Baker retired from the furniture business after an experience of a quarter of a century. John Gallup purchased Mr. Huey's interest in the tile factory. A Dernbach purchased Tierney's residence property on Franklin street. J. A. Spencer introduced his new hay press. Mr. and Mrs. D. McWilliams visited the Hot Springs, Ark.

1883-84.

The temperance party felt so confident of a victory at the spring election for this year, that many public meetings for the purpose of agitating the question were thought not to be necessary. It was assumed that a large majority of our citizens were so well satisfied with the manner in which the affairs of the village had been administered, that no change would be desired. The license party, on the other hand, adopted the plan, from which it never entirely deviated, save in one instance, which was to make a quiet and thorough canvass, yet at the same time to appear to have no particular interest in the results. They sought to keep the temperance people quiet by appearing indifferent themselves. The results of the year previous, as set forth in a former chapter, had convinced them that in a bold and candid discussion they had no shadow of success. The sly and deceptive scheme came very near giving them the victory. For once, at least, the friends of temperance were caught napping, and not till the opening of the polls on the day of the election did they begin to realize to what an extent they had been deceived by the seeming unconcern and inactivity of the enemy. One of the prohibition candidates was defeated and the other two, J. J. Gore and Hugh Thompson, were elected by bare majorities of one and two votes. The license party achieved a partial triumph in the election of C. D. Chalfant as village trustee. Harry Duffenbaugh, who ran on the temperance ticket for clerk, was elected. The board, as organized, stood as follows: R. P. Morgan, President; C. J. Judd, I. H. Baker, J. J. Gore, Hugh Thompson, C. D. Chalfant, Trustees. Elwell Collins was employed as Marshal; A. McKay received the appointment as treasurer and L. G. Pearre was engaged as village attorney. The year's administration was a success. Good order prevailed and no litigation was found necessary. The big elevator was declared a nuisance and its removal was demanded. The expenditures for the year were \$1,705.13, the smallest amount of any other year. The treasurer reported cash on hand to the amount of \$2,035.64. Bert Adams became cashier in People's Bank. L. A. Trunell took charge of the McPherson House. Henry Eldredge sold out his business. Rev. P. Leenhose became pastor of the Presbyterian church. The Star closed its fifteenth year, only omitting six issues for this long period. Mr. Wm. Spencer married Miss Della Morrison. John P. Weagley came to his death, aged 73 years, having been a member of the M. E. church over 60 years. Mrs. McGovern passed away. A. B. Dunlap organized the McDowell Cemetery Association.

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