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MILLER BROTHERS.

Important Extraordinary December Reduction Sale,

From now until January 1, 1895, in all of our departments.

Holiday Sale

Next **TUESDAY** and **WEDNESDAY**, Dec. 18 & 19 we will have the greatest **DRESS GOODS** Sale ever held in Livingston County, as we have bought a fine line of Dress Goods for the Special Sale, as it will make the nicest Xmas presents that can be given anyone. We have never before been able to make such low prices, and in order to make it more interesting for Purchasers we have concluded to give the following goods **FREE** with any Dress Pattern bought, amounting to \$4.00 and over:

6 Yards Cambric,	1 Doz. Dress Stays,
2 " Silicia,	1 100 yds. Spool of Silk,
1 1/2 " Canvas,	1 Spool Thread.

In our **HANDKERCHIEF** Department for Xmas presents you will find the greatest line in Ladies' and Gents' Handkerchiefs of every description, from the 5c Handkerchiefs up to the best that has ever been shown in Dwight. Ask for our Fine Silk Initial Hemstich Handkerchiefs, the best Silk Handkerchief ever offered at 3 for \$1.00. We want to sell lots of them, and prices will do it. All our Mufflers are marked down so we won't have to carry any over after the Holidays. Look through our **JEWELRY** Department. We can show you the greatest line of Fancy Novelties in town, and we assure you a saving of at least fifty per cent on what jewelers charge for the same kind of goods. We carry a full line of Gents' Chains, Lockets, Cuff and Collar Buttons and Scarf Pins. We know we can do you good in anything you may want in this line of goods. We can show you a nice line of **RUGS** for the Holidays, and can save you money if you want any for Xmas presents.

We will give a special discount sale on all **CLOAKS** and **OVERCOATS** from now until Jan. 1st, as we are bound to close them out. We will not carry any of them over for next season, so if you want anything in the Cloak line, from a Child's Cloak up, we can suit you, or from a Boy's Overcoat to a Big Ulster, we have them in great variety, as many in fact as you will find in many stores at the beginning of the season. Prices no object, as we must sell them, and it will be a saving to you of at least 25 per cent. Now, you must buy goods somewhere for the holidays, so why not save all you can by purchasing of us? We have the goods and always the lowest prices.

Holiday Sale

134 and 136 EAST STREET.

MILLER BROTHERS, DWIGHT, ILLINOIS.



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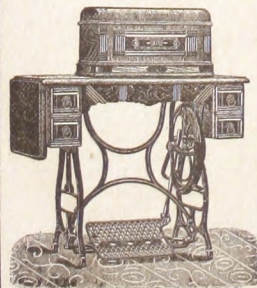
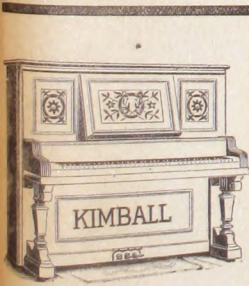
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From the First Settlement To the Present Date.

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Campfire No. 2.

If quantity was wanted there is no doubt but that everyone who attended the Campfire last Tuesday evening got their money's worth. And by the words of praise heard from every quarter, we should say everyone was satisfied with the quality as well as quantity. The program commenced at 8 and lasted until 11:15.

There were quite a number of visitors from Pontiac, Odell and Gardner.

The former delegations arrived on the 6:55 p. m. train. Those from Pontiac included the guests of the evening, Department Commander H. H. McDowell and son and Col. Fred Spink, department adjutant general, Hon. C. C. Strawn and others whose names we did not learn. From Odell came Capt. John McWilliams, Rev. Lord, Jas. Hunter, Mr. Pound and a number of other veterans. The delegations were escorted to the Livingston by Col. J. B. Parsons and W. G. Dustin, and from there to the opera house.

The opera house filled up rapidly and nearly every seat in the house was taken when the curtain went up. About 250 school scholars, all smiles and full of fun, took advantage of the liberal ten cent rate, and they all seemed to enjoy the entertainment.

The program was about the same as before and we will not undertake to give it all over again.

The first number was an opening chorus by the Carolinians, which was very good, and indeed they did much to make the entertainment pleasant and amusing.

This was followed by "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean" by Mrs. D. B. Stevens, all joining the chorus.

The enlistment scene and farewell scene and awkward squad were better than before.

The women of the W. R. C. did themselves proud. They were arrayed in "war times" dresses, and wore the old fashioned nets over their hair, and many of the older ones present said the scene was very realistic. Songs by Mrs. Millie Howlett and Miss Addie Penn were beautifully rendered in this scene. Several good local hits were sprung. In packing the box one package was "a pair of mittens for Comrade McDowell." In receiving the news from the front one item was to the effect that "Col. Parsons and his awkward squad had captured the county treasury at Pontiac."

Miss Mabel Huey sang "Taps" splendidly.

The camp scene was added to greatly by new features, one of which was Miss Cora Adams telling a funny German dialect story, which captured the house.

The singing of Commander Ayling and D. B. Stevens was exceptionally fine.

The night alarm and hospital scene were realistic. The surrender of Lee and capture of Jeff Davis were good.

NOTES.

Department Commander H. H. McDowell was introduced by Commander Ayling in one of his happiest moods. Commander responded, returning his thanks for the kind introduction. He gave a partial review of the history of the grand army, stating that those who never suffered the hardships of a sol-

dier's life could not thoroughly appreciate the bond of friendship and brotherhood which bound the old boys together. He reviewed the history of the grand old flag and called the attention of the many children present to the significance of the many beautiful stars and stripes which compose our national emblem. His speech was a splendid patriotic one, and highly appreciated.

Colonel Fred Spink, of Chicago, was a guest, and he remarked after the entertainment, that he "didn't remember of ever getting more enjoyment out of one evening than he did at the campfire." The colonel is one of the most popular grand army men in the state, and a very pleasant gentleman.

Glazier's Carolinians are certainly one of the very best colored jubilee singers on the road, and their work was highly appreciated by all. The big base singer is a wonder, the soprano was excellent, the ventriquist is probably the best on the road, and the whistler is certainly first-class. They sang between all the scenes and helped out well, and were very accommodating.

The ladies' quartet again covered themselves with glory and were endorsed.

History of Dwight.

We have found it inexpedient to publish the remainder of the "History of Dwight" in the STAR AND HERALD. It is inexpedient because it will drag along for the next six months if published in the paper. We are now hurrying it along, and from 1889 to Jan. 1, 1895, the history will be very complete, as that is the time the compilers have been in the newspaper business in Dwight and have the files of the newspapers and are familiar with most all that has transpired.

The history will give a detailed account of what is called "the boom," which is Dwight's first and last boom. The future is bright and there is a constant growth, but there will never be another "boom." The history of all public and private improvements will be given. The history of the Leslie E. Keeley Co. will form a most important chapter in Dwight's history. We shall close the work with "Personal Reminiscences" from old and comparatively new residents of our city. These will be very interesting to all.

The work will embrace views of many of our principal places of business, including the laboratory, etc., etc., and many portraits of early settlers and prominent men of later days.

We have concluded to have two kinds of binding—one in a good quality of colored paper, which we can sell for 50 cents, and another securely bound in cloth, heavy covers which will last as long as one wishes to keep them. The latter will be in black cloth, with "Dwight, Illinois," in the centre of the page in gold letters. There will be only a limited supply of the latter, which we can sell for \$1, and those wishing them should leave their orders now so we can tell how many to have bound in that manner.

We trust those who have been requested to supply us with "recollections" will do so immediately and oblige the publishers.

We expect to have the history ready for delivery about the middle of January.

S. S. Convention.

The annual township Sunday School Convention was held Sunday, Dec. 9, 1894. The program was carried out as printed, and for once, every one who had promised to take part was promptly on hand.

L. A. Neffizer, of the M. E. church, conducted the song and devotional services in the morning. Mrs. H. A. Foster, of Pontiac, read distinctly and gave the sense of a valuable paper on "The Teacher's Preparation of Self and the Lesson." Mrs. Edna Van Buskirk, of Odell, gave an interesting and eloquent written address on "The Sunday School and Progression." T. H. Tewksbury, of Chicago, spoke with great ability and power in the morning on "Elements of a Successful Superintendent," and in the evening he spoke again about "How to make the study of the Bible more interesting." This address was one of great interest and exceedingly helpful to Sunday school workers, and, in fact, to all students of the bible.

Miss Cora Adams conducted the afternoon song service, and Mr. Wilkinson, of Chicago, rendered very finely the solo, "Calvary." Mrs. V. S. Wright's class exercised the "Jewish Tabernacle" elicited the admiration and hearty commendation of all. Mrs. E. T. Miller read a practical and timely paper on "How to adopt the Language of the Lesson to the Comprehension of the Younger Members," while Miss Ella Conant gave a discriminating and thoughtful essay on "Different Methods of Teaching." Rev. Wilheisen who is nothing if not spicy, scholarly and inspiring, kept the audience in great good humor, while he discoursed on "How to Induce Young People to Attend Sunday School and take an Active Interest in the Work." D. B. Stevens led the song service at the evening session. Rev. C. W. Ayling preached in the morning. Rev. E. F. Wright in the afternoon and Prof. J. M. Meneely in the evening.

Col. R. P. Morgan, one of our most popular citizens, and an enthusiastic Christian worker, gave an interesting address in the evening. The convention was pronounced by all as one of the best ever held in Dwight, and was largely attended at every session.

Read-Waterman Entertainment.

The entertainment to be given at the Keeley League hall Wednesday evening, the 13th, will be a high class one, and one of the best ever in town. The large form of Opie Read is well known in Dwight, and Mr. Waterman is also known by reputation. Mr. Read is a former editor of Arkansas Traveller and the author of "Kentucky Colonel" and many other popular works.

In one of Read's dialect jingles he says:

"So if you should meet a feller
With the sunshine on his lips,
Don't unfold yer cloud o' trouble
Under a harrible eclipse;
Though he may be bright and cheertful
He has grief and sorrier too,
Only he's too kind and thoughtful
Fer to dump it outer you."

Nixon Waterman is painfully practical at times, as is indicated by such jingles as the following from his pen:

"Don't hitch your wagon to a star
Young man, for as a rule
It is more practical by far
To hitch it to a mule."

Amid his loftiest poetic flights he sometimes pauses to write such lines as this:

"Let's not dispise just common things
For here's a truth there is no dodging.
The bird that soars on proudest wings
Comes down to earth for board and lodging."

Attention G. A. R.

The next regular meeting will be held at their hall next Tuesday evening, December 18, at which the annual election of officers will take place. Every member is requested to be present. C. W. AYLING, Commander.
F. W. FORD, Adjutant.