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## KEELEY LEAGUE NEWS.

If you want a clean, newsy paper subscribe for the DWIGHT STAR AND HERALD.

Dr. J. E. Blaine addressed the patients in answer to queries Thursday morning.

Dr. J. E. Warden, of Springfield, Mo., completed treatment Friday and bade the club farewell.

Geo. J. Miller makes the most efficient sergeant-at-arms the club has ever had since its organization in April 1891.

Chas. W. Cole, of Springfield, Ill., made the club an excellent talk at the meeting Tuesday. Mr. Cole is always a welcome visitor.

Mr. Gates, of Ohio, who graduated over two years ago, arrived with a friend for treatment this week, and made the club a forcible talk Monday.

Wm. R. Dassler, of Chicago, class of May '94, was present as a visitor Saturday and made the boys an excellent talk expressing his faith in the efficacy of the treatment.

The following officers were elected Tuesday: President, Dr. M. D. Barbour, Manston, Wis.; 1st vice president, T. E. Eritz, Mason City, Iowa; 2nd vice president, S. C. Ripley, Sheldon, Ill. Geo. J. Miller, of Chicago, was appointed sergeant-at-arms for the ensuing term.

Autograph books for sale at this office. Every League should have them. They are about the size used to exchange names in, and have a halftone engraving of Dr. Leslie E. Keeley on first page, and his autograph on the first inside page. $3 per hundred is the price and they sell readily for 10 cents each, and thereby add a little to the league treasury.

We have a Photo-Auto souvenir of the Dwight Keeley Institute, including half-tone engravings of the proprietors and physicians and their autographs under each, enclosed in a handsome cover printed in colors and a view of the laboratory on the back. They are very nice to keep--we mean for you to keep—not us—and we will send one by mail to anyone for 25 cents in cash or stamps.

Another excellent entertainment is promised for next Tuesday evening. The club hall is seated to accomodate all the patients first, and those of the townspeople who assist from time to time in the club entertainments and any of their friends who may accompany them. Any vacant chairs left can be used by outsiders who may drop in. Children unaccompanied by adults are not admitted.

Ex-president O. E. Mullarky, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, who made many warm friends during his four weeks sojourn in Dwight departed for home Wednesday morning bearing with him the best wishes of every patient in line. The following resolutions were presented at the club Tuesday and unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this club are hereby tendered to our retiring President Emmett O. Mullarky, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, for the zeal and uniform courtesy with which he has discharged his duty, and we bid him God speed in his future travels through life.

Mr. Mullarky thanked the club for the honor and kindness shown him, and bade them all farewell.

The club entertainment given Tuesday evening surpassed anything of the kind given during the winter, there being considerale musical and literary talent among the present class of patients. The audience was large and appreciative. Chas. W. Cole, of Springfield, class of Nov. '94, came up solely to take part and his efforts to entertain were certainly appreciated judging from the amount of applause he received. The recitations of Dr. J. Stewart captivated the audience and he was recalled several times. The singing of the quartette was excellent, in fact every number on the program was a gem in itself and the large audience departed feeling that they had passed a most enjoyable evening. The program rendered is as follows:

Piano Solo.....Mr. Noyes
Song, 'Come where the lilies bloom'....Quartette
Recitation.....Dr. J. Stewart
Vocal Solo, 'Little empty stockings,'..C. W. Cole
Recitation, 'The two glasses'.....Lew Nichols
Song.....Dr. M. D. Barbour
Recitation.....Dr. J. Stewart
'Moonlight will come again'.....Quartette
Comic Song.....Chas. W. Cole

### Special Home-Seekers Excursion via the Chicago & Alton Railroad.

The attention of all those who, between now and the last of April, 1895, contemplate purchasing tickets to Southern and South-western points, is called to the fact that the Chicago & Alton—America's most popular railroad—in concert with its connections, will sell low rate round trip Home Seeker's Excursion tickets to the principal points in the territory described Full particulars as to dates of sale, rates, limits, points reached, etc., can be obtained by calling upon or addressing your local ticket agent, or James Charlton, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.

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# Prime's Crop Report.

*Written for the Star and Herald.*

The crowded state of the columns of the last issue of the DWIGHT STAR AND HERALD prevented me having my usual weekly chat with your readers and the world at large upon the condition of the crops of the country.

It seems certainly to be a very singular condition of things in a country like this where agriculture is the basis of all things that we should for a moment wish to see short crops of anything. Never in the history of the present generation have prices of crops been as low or merchandise as cheap as it is to-day. The banners which have been hung out on our outer walls this week tell a tale of wonderfully and exceptionally low prices of our great and largest imported crop, cotton. Hence; with the near approach of spring and with the sun shining brightly every day and the temperature rising and the snow going off gradually and old mother earth's face once more revealed to us after having been hidden for nearly a month, we hear but little talk and very little enthusiasm as to what we shall do when the gentle spring-time comes.

With six inches of snow to-day in Texas and with eight inches in Birmingham, Alabama, certainly the birds have not begun to sing on every bush. The screech owl, however, still continues his mournful lay, and the amateur chicken grower has had great difficulty to make a collection of the "lays" of the last hens to enable him to open successfully his spring campaign. Look where you may, north, east, south or west, we are still in the embrace of winter.

What the country needs to-day is not crops, but confidence. Untold millions of money is lying in the vaults of our banks all over the country, unemployed and no prospect for the time being of investment. Our vast population of nearly seventy millions of people are eating, drinking and wearing out clothes and still we complain of dull trade. The low prices now prevailing seem to be no inducement for purchasers to buy for the reason that the vast amount of stuff they have to sell has so little purchasing power within itself.

Still we are not all wearing old clothes. A correspondent of mine writes me of a county in Western Kansas, the very centre of the drouth area. Some over-sympathetic friends in the East sent out to the people a car load of old clothes. The car was unloaded but so far has been untouched for the reason that of the seventy-five men who came into town looking over the "Aid" there was not one who wore clothes as poor as those in the car. The writer said it is true that Kansas does really need help on the high prairie; she does not want anybody's home-made duds or warmed over victuals, but a few car loads of spike-tailed coats and club steaks would be highly acceptable in this time of need. In case club steaks are out of stock, porterhouse or rib-roasts will do.

But to return to our subject. The general opinion seems to be that the winter wheat crop has pulled through without any damage, but we all know that all its trials are still before it in the near future. The ground everywhere is very dry and the snow is not going to give us but little moisture even if it goes off gradually which it is now doing. The movement of corn is increasing a little owing to tax time. There does not seem to be but little encouragement to hold corn for higher prices. We must not forget that the feeding of wheat has gone a very long way in the saving of corn and as long as wheat keeps low farmers will be inclined to save their corn and feed wheat.

### "American Patriots."

We have made arrangements to supply any of our readers with the above pretty parlor game. It is similar to "Authors," only it is historical, and deals with great men and principal events of American history. The cards are put up in a neat box, and sell at retail for 50 cents.

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### Pay Bills.

All bills for advertising and job work contracted with the firm of Dustin & Wassell prior to Jan. 1, 1895, should be settled immediately with W. G. Dustin at the STAR AND HERALD office. W. G. Dustin will pay all bills contracted by Dustin & Wassell. All subscriptions to the STAR AND HERALD, BRACEVILLE TRIBUNE and GARDNER TRIBUNE are payable to the firm of Dustin & Prime.

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# FRED DOUGLASS DEAD.

## The Noted Freedman and Orator Is No More.

### HIS END CAME VERY SUDDENLY.

**After Returning Home from a Meeting of the National Woman's Council He Falls Unconscious and Expires in Short Time —A Sketch of His Eventful Career— Mrs. Bourke Cockran, Wife of the Congressman, Dies in New York.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Frederick Douglass died suddenly of heart failure at his suburban home at Anacortia at 7 o'clock in the evening. During the afternoon he attended the convention of the national woman's council now in session here and conversed with Susan B. Anthony and others, whom he has known for years. When he returned home he complained of a feeling of exhaustion, and while talking with his wife suddenly gasped, placed his hand over his heart, and fell backward unconscious. In less than twenty minutes he was dead.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS.

**Sketch of His Life.**

Frederick Douglass was one of the picturesque characters of American history. As a freedman, orator and diplomat he was known to the whole world. He was born in Maryland in 1817, his father being a white man and his mother a negro slave. The first ten years of his life were spent on the plantation of his master, a Colonel Lloyd. From 10 to 16 years of age he lived with a relative of his master's in Baltimore where he learned to read and write. He suffered severely from the cruelty of several masters until 1838, when he succeeded in escaping from slavery and making his way to New York. Then he moved to New Bedford, Mass., where he married and worked about the wharves. From this union were borntwo sons and a daughter. William Lloyd Garrison and other prominent Abolitionists were attracted by his native ability, and in 1841 he made a speech before an anti-slavery convention, which at once made him famous. From 1841 to 1847 he lectured throughout England and New England, where he became famous as an orator pleading for the rights of his race. In 1846 English friends purchased his freedom for $750. During the war he published a paper at Rochester, N. Y., in which he strongly advocated the organizing of colored regiments.

**Prominent in Republican Politics.**

At the close of the war he again devoted his attention to the lecture platform, and in 1870 founded The New National Era. For the last twenty years he had been a prominent figure in Republican politics. In 1871 he was assistant secretary to the commission to Santo Domingo and a member of the territorial council of the District of Columbia. In 1872 he was a presidential elector from New York. President Hayes appointed him United States marshal for the District of Columbia and President Garfield appointed him recorder of deeds for the district. His last appointment, minister to Hayti, was received at the hands of President Harrison. During the World's Columbian exposition he resided in Chicago, having been appointed one of the commissioners from Hayti. During the last few years of his life he had lived in Uniontown, D. C. He was the author of two books, "Narrative of My Experience in Slavery" and "My Bondage and My Freedom." His second wife who survives him, is a white woman, formerly Miss Helen Pitts. She was a clerk in the office of the recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia.

**Adjourned Out of Respect to Douglass.**

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 22.—The house of representative resolved to adjourn out of respect to the memory of Frederick Douglass. As it refused to adjourn on Lee's birthday this action caused great indignation.

## BOURKE COCKRAN BEREAVED.

**The Noted New York Congressman Loses His Wife by Death.**

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Mrs. Bourke Cockran, the wife of Congressman W. Bourke Cockran, died at the Holland House from hemorrhages, with which she was attacked. Mrs. Cockran was 31 years old. She has been married ten years and up to two years ago was the leader of society in Washington, but at that time her health interfered with her social duties and she was taken by her husband to the Adirondacks and also to Europe. Four weeks ago Congressman Cockran brought his wife to New York for special treatment under Dr. Janeway. Mrs. Cockran was the daughter of John Mach of 96 Park avenue, this city. At the time of Mrs. Cockran's death her husband was present at her bedside.

**Gray's Remains Lying in State.**

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 22.—The body of Isaac Pusey Gray, late United States minister to Mexico and formerly governor of Indiana, arrived in the Union station on a special train over the Monon from Chicago. As soon as the train came to a halt it was taken in charge by the Light artillery and a watch was placed on the funeral car. The body was removed under military escort to the state capitol, where it will lie in state until removed to Union City for interment. The state capitol is elaborately draped in mourning emblems and many business and private houses throughout the city are also draped.

**Ex-Governor Prescott Dead.**

EPPING, N. H., Feb. 22.—Ex-Governor Benjamin F. Prescott died after a long illness at the age of 62 years.

**Counterfeiters Arrested.**

HARRISON, Mich., Feb. 22.—For more than a year Clare county has been flooded with counterfeit silver dollars. George Fitzgibbons, David Ireland, and Frank Thorpe, living in a log hut twelve miles from here, have been arrested. They claimed to be loggers, but in the hut were found molds in which bogus dollars had been cast.

**Woman Shoots Herself.**

SAGINAW, Mich., Feb. 22.—Mrs. Edgar, wife of a railroad conductor, committed suicide by shooting herself through the head. She left a note to her father, G. J. Walker of Grand Rapids, saying that her husband was so jealous that life was miserable.


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