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Holiday Announcement

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Christmas Presents

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The people of Dwight and Vicinity wil find it to their advantage to give us a call and inspect our stock.

Photograph Albums & Boxes.

In regards to albums let us say a word. We might sell a great deal cheaper a bums. By leaving out a page or two, by making them of a little lighter stock, by using inferior goods, albums can be made to sell very cheaply, but they are not made to last. We buy good goods from houses that only handle first grades, and as a result our goods give satisfaction, and then, OUR PRICES ARE RIGHT.

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With one of these little instruments you can have Sousa's band, the most popular singers and orchestras in your own house. Price $5.00 up.

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Books.

A good book is the most lasting of any token of esteem, and, if well chosen, the most pleasing to the recipient.

When you want a book you know where to go. Below are some of our titles:

For the Freedom of the Sea, a grand book for the boys. Splendidly got up. Illustrated with steel plates, 59c.

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Eben Holden, by Bacheller.
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Tales of the Ex. Tanks, $1.25.

Ask about our rebate which gives you any of the above books for $1 2g.

The equal of the following in value has never been offered in late copy ight books all well bound in cloth and many splendidly illustrated ror 75 cents,

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Soldiers of Fortune, by R. H. Davis.
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St. Ives, by Stevenson.
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Damnation of Theron Ware, by Harold Frederick.
Gentleman of France, by Stanley Weyman.
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Bibles.

Don't fail to see our handsome line of Bibles, all bound in best qnality limp Divinity seal. Oxford Bibles, Bagster Bibles, Self Pronouncing Bibles, Teachers' Bibles, Illuminated Bibles.

Dolls.

Do you want a doll? A good doll? A first-class doll? And at a price that others get for cheap dolls? If you do, come here.

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What makes a nicer present than a FIRST CLASS fountain pen?

We are agents for the celebrated Geo. S. Parker's lucky curve fountain pen and have a complete line (14 styles) on hand.

Seymour's Drug Store.

School News.

GRADES.

The Grades are busy preparing for examinations.

Misses Susie Fox and Brown visited the Fourth Grade Tuesday.

The B sixth has completed five months work in arithmetic.

Arthur Larson, of the Fourth Grade has been absent nearly two weeks.

Zola Reeder of the B sixth grade has returned to school after a long absence.

The Seventh Grade has earned a half holiday having had no tardiness for a month.

Several pupils of the Primary Grade have been absent lately on account of sickness.

Edith and Elsie Bartholic rank first in the Fourth Grade. Beryl Vickery is a close second.

Harry Kime of the A. Sixth has been absent a few days this week on account of sickness.

The Primary Grade has been much interested in a supplement story about bananas and the banana lands.

Gertrude Prime, a former pupil of the Dwight school, has received second honors in the school which she is attending in Chicago.

In connection with the study of the change of seasons, the Fourth Grade is marking on the floor, the progress of the sun at each noon hour.

The list of those neither tardy nor absent from the third grade which was given last week was for the whole year. The following is for last month:

Those neither tardy nor absent in the seventh grade last month are: Willie Burns, Stella Brown, John Boyer, Mildred Drew, Fred Hatting, Clarence Hornberger, Mary Jacobsgaard, Clara Jensen, Amy Radcliff, Bessie Palm, Rosa Schosser, Lloyd Spellman, Oliver Naffziger.

3rd. Grade neither absent nor tardy in Nov.: Ernest Brown, Elsie Buehler, Leslie Bovik, Herbert Drew, Mabel Crawford, Etta Empie, Lottie Horton, Ray Hohenshell, Mamie Hahn, Joseph Hatting, Minnie Hansen, Richard Judge, John Joost, Elmer Klitz, Louis Kime, Henry Korner, Albert Larsen, Esther Mickelson, Frank Mayes, Roy Morris, John Metzke, Chester Pierce, Bessie Reeder, Lily Rosedall, Jean Shearer, Oline Sorenson, Leo West, Clara Walso, Albert Worby, Stella McConnell, Harry Porter, Charlie Reeder.

Railroad News.

Jake Jacobsen is doing the baggage act in the absence of Andy.

The C. & A. have been testing one of the big Union Pacific Engines.

The new track is laid nearly to Washington on the branch, and the engineers find it easier to make the time.

Conductor Boyd has the night run on the branch, and is a general favorite along the line, and business always. You always know where to find him.

It is said there have been spotters in town, sizing up the Dwight end of the big C. & A. Maybe there has and maybe there hasn't. The boys are all holding their jobs yet.

The 3-1 trains went from Dwight to Streator over the C. & A. Saturday morning, because of a freight wreck on the 3-1 half a mile from Sunbury, the 3-1 freight trains were delayed here several hours because of the accident. The wrecked train jumped the track, about 5 o'clock p. m. Friday and nine cars were derailed, and three horses killed, the train was going west, and the wreck was cleared up by noon the next day.

No. 5, the Denver, run into a gravel train near Sag Bridge Thursday about 4 p. m. The gravel had pulled into the other track to allow 45 to pass, and sent out a flagman, but the 5 engineer claimed he didn't see it, and came around a curve at full speed with a double header and smashed into the gravel train engine, telescoping the engines. The passengers were shook up but none hurt. Engineers Geo Wheatley, of 106 and Tom Maloney, of 111, were injured and fireman Robinson and Billings also. They were taken to Chicago and after having their wounds dressed were able to go home. No. 5 got into Dwight about 9:15.

A freight train which left Streator over the three-I about 4 o'clock last Sunday ran into a bunch of horses near Sunbury about a half hour later. Two of the horses were killed, the engine was derailed and ten or twelve cars were pilled up in a space measuring less than half their length. No one was hurt, although the cars are said to have been badly damaged. The train was in charge of Conductor Harper, with Engineer Sypher and Fireman Brown on the locomotive. The wreckage blocked the track for a number of hours and, consequently, the outgoing passenger train was sent from Streator to Dwight by way of the Alton.

OBITUARY.

Deaths of Messrs. Allen, Sterns, Diffinbaugh, and Miss Klughart.

On the evening of Dec. 9th, 1900, Mr. Samuel Sterns departed this life, aged 67 years and 9 months. He was born in County Wexford, Ireland, March, 10th 1833, and when only nine years old came to Canada, subsequently in the year 1859 locating in Dwight.

In 1864 Mr. Sterns married Miss Rebecca Goodman and of this union nine children were born, seven of whom survive him, being Mrs. Thomas Nevin, Washington; Mrs. Joseph Grundler, Nevada; Frank Sterns, Morton; Charles and Edgar, of Nevada; Nellie and Lillie, of Dwight.

The funeral service was held in the Methodist Church Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Morgan officiating. The family have the deepest sympathy of our community in their sad bereavement.

The funeral was largely attended. The deceased was a hard working man, strictly honorable in his dealings with everybody, and had hosts of friends who mourn his demise. He moved to Dwight from his farm in Nevada several months ago and purchased Ame Orr's residence and was preparing to take life easy. He was down town the day he died and went home and laid down to rest, and passed away suddenly.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to friends and neighbors who so kindly sympathized with us at the death of our beloved husband and father.

MRS. REBECCA STERNS AND FAMILY.

Death of Jesse Diffenbaugh.

The sad news was received here by telegraph, Monday, from San Diago, Calif., of the death of Jesse Diffenbaugh. It was known here for some time that he was a great sufferer from asthma, and that recently he had become worse, and fears were entertained of his future. When he left here only a few months ago he suffered considerably, and after he returned to his sons in Kansas he became gradually worse. His son, Harry, thought maybe a change of climate might do his father good, and started some two weeks ago for California, but he had hardly arrived before death ensued. Everything possible was done for him, but of no avail.

The deceased was well known in this community, was an old resident and business man. He was in the grain business for years, and was always very conservative and reliable, and everybody knew when Jesse said anything it could be thoroughly relied upon. He also held many offices of trust, was a member of the town board for years and was always conservative and level headed.

He leaves one son, Harry, who is well known here, and a sister, Mrs. Isaac Perry, and a large number to mourn his loss. The deceased was seventy years of age.

The funeral will take place Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2 p. m. at the M. E. church.

Mr. Allen.

James B. Allen was born in Eversham, England, July 24th, 1831, and came to this country in 1850. He had lived in Chicago from that time until eighteen years ago, when he purchased a farm six miles south east of Dwight and where he moved with his family. The deceased was one of the oldest contracters of Chicago and had followed that business for half a century, being a thrifty workman at the trade. Last June he purchased property in town but had only occupied it two months. He died Dec. 8th, 1900 at the age of sixty five, and the 23rd of last month he had celebrated his golden wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Allen were married in London Nov. 23rd, fifty years ago and the wife and three children are left to mourn his loss.

The funeral services were held at his late home Monday at 1:30 p. m. Rev. Morgan officiating and the interment was in Chicago. The relatives of the deceased have the deepest sympathy of the community.

Miss Klughart.

Ada Belle Klughart was born at her late home May 9th, 1881 and died Nov. 26th, 1900. These dates compass a life of singular simplicity, fidelity and beauty. As a friend Ada was constant and considerate, always affable, forgetting herself for the comfort and convenience of others. The multiplied and hearty tributes that come from those who knew her best attest the high esteem in which she was universally held.

Her deep interest in spiritual things dates back from early childhood and grew as judgment increased. Her unflagging loyalty to her faith and the even tenor of her spirit were uniformally marked and remarked by her friends.

Ada was a member of the M. E. church and Sunday School and until sickness prevented was faithful in her attendance to their various services.

At her studies she was quick, bright and persevering, never faltering but rather pursuing the course of duty until success crowned her efforts.

Her family will miss her from the home, her friends lose a helpful and congenial friend, her school-mates weep over the departure of one to whom they had clung with hands clasped in loving sweetness. We bow in humble submission to the will of God, believing that all things have worked together for Ada's good because she loved God.

Church Notes.

Last Sunday at the Methodist Church Rev. Bower filled the pulpit owing to the absence of Rev. Morgan. Rev. Bower's sermon was upon the wonderful power of the Savior and his universal mediation. It was a discussion of the personality of Christ and his willingness to save.

At the Methodist Church last Sunday night regular preaching service was not held but a very interesting song service at which the authors of the songs and the circumstances under which they were written, were given. It was a decided mental attraction

The lecture by Mrs. Ida B. Cole at the Congregational Church last Sunday night was wholesome and decidedly instructive. It was a thorough and well posted argument against cigarettes and showed that Mrs. Cole has considerable knowledge of the ruin the cigarette habit is causing.

Christmas and New Years Holiday Rates

Indiana, Illinois & Iowa R. R. will sell public excursion tickets between all stations on their line Dec. 22, 23, 24 25 and 31st, 1900 and Jan. 1st, 1901. Good going on date of sale, returning limit Jan. 2nd 1901, at one and one third fare for the round trip.

S. W. McCUNE, Agent.

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The 20th century Revolution in the art of lighting 75 degrees candle power produces the finest artificial light in the world, superior to electricity or gas, at one tenth the cost, safe, simple, convenient, reliable, satisfying. They are portable, hang or stand them anywhere, will last a life time. The most economical light in existence, cheaper than kerosene oil. Buy one and you will buy more. For further particulars call at Grand Central Hotel, Al. R. Ficke, Agent.

The darkness into light turn,
And air instead of money burn.

It is rumored that the C. & A. will put in another long switch south o town.

HORSE SALE.

Important Enterprise for Dwight.

It has been given out that there will be a horse sale in Dwight once a month in the future which will undoubtedly bring lots of people here, and consequently increase business.

The first sale will be the first Friday in January and is sure to draw a large crowd. The sales in Odell have been given up, and will be held here the same day each month. There will be lots of buyers here from Chicago, and those having horses of any grade to sell can dispose of them at that time.

The hotel accommodations are good in Dwight and the horse sales here will undoubtedly become popular.

Big Websters Unabrided Dictionary cloth bound, and the STAR AND HERALD one year $2 in advance.

Stock Sale at Acme Stock Farm

Col. T. J. Cunningham, Wallingford, C. A. Hill, Mazon, Ill., } Aucts.

The undersigned Finch Bros., proprietors of the Acme Stock Farm, being overstocked and wishing to handle full blooded Shire horses exclusively, will sell with reserve, at their home 5 miles east of Verona, Grundy County, Ill., their entire stock of high grade Shire horses and Angus cattle on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20,

at 11 a. m. sharp,

30 HEAD OF HORSES.

Consisting of a dapple gray mare 7 years old, wt. 1750 eligible to registration in American French draft book; blue roan Belgian mare 6 yrs. old, wt. 1700; bay mare team of shires, 6 and 9 years, wt. 3600; black Shire mare 6 yrs. old, wt. 1800; black mare 14 years, wt. 1600; extra fine matched black team of Shires, full brother and sister, 4 and 5 years old, weighing 3200; one black Shire mare 9 years old, weighing 1400; two bay geldings 3 years old, wt. 2300; one iron gray Shire gelding, 4 yrs, wt 1700; black 2 yr. old Shire mare; one steel gray mare 2 yr. old Shire mare; matched team of bay Shire geldings; one year old matched span of shire fillies, one yr. old; matched team of black Shire yearlings; two bay Shire fillies one year old, and two Shire sucking colts.

The draft horses, brood mares and colts described here are the result of years of careful experienced breeding and undoubtedly the best lot of draft horses ever offered for sale in Grundy county. All mares two years old or over are bred and believed to be in foal to our great prize winner, Wenona Spartan, 4770, winner of 12 1st state fair premiums, never having been defeated, wt 2250. He is without question one of the greatest stallions of this generation. Roadster Maud R. standard role 7, sire Aquarius 58; dam Kaimia, 2:20 by Woodford Wilkes 2328; 2d dam Pearl by Ashland Patchen 85. A more extended pedigree will be furnished on day of sale. Maud R is a bright bay, foaled in 1894, 16 2 hands weighs 1250 lbs., is broken single and double and is a kind and gentle driver. She has never been tracked but shows wonderful speed. One brown mare standard bred, 9 yrs. old, weighing 1600 lbs., well broken single and double; a sorrel mare hackney bred, 4 yrs, old, weighing 1300 lb, broken single and double; one bay gelding 4 years old and one sucking filly sired by the noted German Coach horse Consol, 524, by standard dam mares. We have 20 head of Shire Stallions and mares which we offer at private sale.

17 HEAD OF ANGUS CATTLE.

Consisting of 8 high grade Angus cows, one milch cow nearly fresh, 2 Angus yearling heifers, a yearling heifer half Jersey, 2 sucking Angus heifers, 5 full-blood Angus bull calves. The cows are all in calf to our registered Angus bull, Nero of the Cottage Grove, No. 23667.

USUAL TERMS OF SALE.

FINCH BROS.