

**School News.**

Katie Kelagher has been absent this week. The Junior class expect to take up Cicero after Christmas. The Physical Geography class finished their work last Friday. Jessie Davis and Florence Johnson were High School visitors last Friday. The grammar class finished their work this week and will take up geography.

The black board on the south side of the room has been decorated by Sidney O'Malley. Miss Ada Green, of Gardner, spent Sunday and visited the High School Monday morning.

The Glee Club has two new choruses which they are practicing for the entertainment in January.

Although Santa Claus does not visit us as he used to do the pupils are very anxious for the Christmas vacation.

The girls of the High School have a contribution box for the gymnasium. Anyones welcome to contribute to it.

The fund for the gymnasium is constantly growing and much interest is shown by all. The H. S. wish to thank those who have so heartily contributed to it.

**GRADES.**

The grades are all enjoying examinations this week.

The fourth and fifth Grades gave Christmas programs yesterday afternoon.

The Fourth Grade was very much disappointed in gaining their half holiday, for a pupil came in tardy Tuesday.

The Eighth grade earned a holiday Dec. 18, and Mr. Bruner spent his vacation visiting the Eighth grade in Pontiac.

**Work for Kuehne Beveridge.**

Miss Kuehne Beveridge, well known in this City, has arrived in London from Cape Town with two commissions for important works in sculpture, is not only a talented artist but a very beautiful girl in the bargain. Miss Beveridge was born in the executive mansion at Springfield, while her grandfather, John L. Beveridge, was governor of the state. As a child she was educated abroad, chiefly at Dresden, where she studied in three languages. Of Miss Beveridge Gertrude A'hernton recently said that in the fair Illinoisian "we have one of the most extraordinarily endowed girls that America has yet produced. Only a few years more of hard work are required to place her unassailably in the front rank of the world's great women." The Beveridges are now living in Cape Town.

The marriage of Philo Beveridge and Miss Ella Rutzer will be remembered by those who were prominent in society here thirty years ago. Miss Rutzer was a niece of Col. R. P. Morgan, then of Bloomington, now of Dwight.—Bloomington Pantagraph.

**Death of Mrs. Fred Sheets.**

Many of the friends of Rev. Fred H. Sheets of Grace Methodist church, Chicago, who remembered him as a former pastor of the Methodist church in this city, will be filled with sympathetic sorrow when they learn of his recent bereavement. His wife, Mrs. Mary Sheets, died Friday at the Wesley hospital, after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Sheets was taken to the hospital to undergo an operation, and while there contracted pneumonia, from which she died. She was forty years old. Mrs. Sheets was formerly Miss Mary Hill, and she and her husband graduated in the same class at Northwestern University.

The funeral services were held in Grace church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.—Dixon Telegraph.

John P. McWilliams, of Dwight, who was a college chum of Rev. Sheets, attended the funeral.

**Diffenbach-Lohrman.**

Miss Cora Diffenbach and Wm. Lohrman were married at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday, Dec. 18, at 1 p. m. Rev. A. R. Morgan officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Lohrman took the limited Tuesday afternoon to Chicago where they will visit a short while, afterward returning and making their home three miles south of town.

**The Gymnasium.**

The fund for the gymnasium at the High School building and for the schools of Dwight is increasing rapidly, the third floor of the High School will be used and the fund should meet with continued contributions from the citizens. It is an institution which is necessary in every well-appointed high school, and it assists in the mental progress of the student as well.

**The Masons.**

At the regular meeting of the Masonic order Monday evening, the following officers were elected: Dr. C. H. Hamilton, W. M., C. L. Romberger, S. W., D. S. Fox, J. W., B. A. Buck, Treas., Frank Ford, Sec.

**Dr. Oscar DeWolf.**

Dr. DeWolf, formerly one of the most prominent physicians in Chicago, and it might be truly said in the United States, and at one time health officer in Chicago, visited Major Judd and J. R. Oughton in Dwight this week. Dr. DeWolf formed a very warm friendship for Dr. Leslie E. Keeley years ago, and about ten years ago took up the Keeley work. For nearly that time he has had charge of the work in England, and at London has one of the finest institutes in the world, from which he sent out some remarkable cures.

The noted physician is in the United States visiting and spent a few days here. He is fine, benevolent looking gentleman, plain and straight-forward, a man of strong convictions.

At the request of Major Judd the doctor consented to address the patients here Wednesday morning. He reviewed some of his work in England, and in the course of his remarks said that an editor of a scientific paper in England told him that he considered the most wonderful thing he saw at the Chicago World's fair was the procession of 5000 Keeley graduates headed by Dr. Keeley himself. Dr. DeWolf compared Dr. Keeley with Dr. Jenner, and said, in substance, that while vaccination was one of the greatest discoveries of the age and alleviated pain and suffering and saved lives and prevented disfigurement for life, that it was no comparison to the discovery of Dr. Keeley. His cure not only was scientific in its scope and great in its physical force but still greater in its moral and mental force.

The doctor said he considered Dr. Keeley the greatest man the world has ever known, on account of his usefulness to the world.

The doctor gave out in line some splendid advice, and said their future depended upon their manhood and that it was simply a choice with them between a useless, degraded life and an elevated, useful existence.

**Communicated**

At the blessed Christmas tide how many and how beautiful are the legends are remembered and repeated to the children, ever with the thought that somehow, somewhere, it will broaden their love for the world's great festival.

Fit for a place in some little niche of this Christmas lore, is this grand old legend, that at creation's dawn an angel came down to earth seeking something to take back to heaven. It returned with a bouquet of flowers, a baby's smile and a mother's love.

When it reached the pearly gate of paradise again, the flowers had withered, the baby's smile had vanished but the mother's love was found to be as pure and eternal as the waters that flowed by the heavenly throne; and all the angels exclaimed "There is nothing on earth pure enough for heaven but a mother's love." Is there not a sublime thought and a holy moral taught us here? Man's ability to perform depends on his ability to think and if the mind were kept full of these beautiful legend painted pictures, how like beggars clothe in rags would the wicked, licentious thoughts for the want of an abiding place, die of sheer neglect.

There is no room in a heart full of love for mother for wickedness. It is when parental love is pushed aside in the forgetful hours of boom companionship, that the evil deeds are done.

**M. E. Church.**

Rev. Morgan, at the Methodist Church last Sunday evening, preached about the Apostolic age and the religion and politics of Rome, giving the congregation the spectacle of the Roman empire as it was when it reached its greatest prosperity and wickedness. He showed how great were the obstacles which Saul had to contend with, emphasizing that the disciples were either tax collectors or fishermen and not men of genius and brilliancy. His description of the wickedness of Rome was thrilling and held the closest attention of the congregation. His sermon or narrative, as he termed it covered a great scope of history comprehensively. It was a very deep sermon and was full of timely thought for Christians of today.

**At the Congregational Church**

Rev. S. H. Harris spoke upon heredity at the Congregational Church last Sunday and his ideas were emphasized by practical references in daily life. He gave many instances to carry out his ideas and urged the necessity of ideals in the family, he also strongly urged his congregation to cultivate an even temper, restrain themselves from any of those faults of disposition the posterity might inherit. The sermon was very good for content reference, and the congregation appreciated and enjoyed it.

**Morgan Rail Joint Directors Meet.**

There was a meeting of the Morgan Rail Joint Directors at the office of R. P. Morgan Wednesday, and the following directors attended: Major Judd, H. D. Spencer, of Bloomington, B. A. Buck, Dr. Milton Keeley and R. P. Morgan.

**Railroad News.**

Baggage-man West, who was injured in the collision at Delevan is improving.

Mr. Moloney, who was injured in the wreck at Sag Bridge recently, is still laid up.

The extra gang that has been loading and unloading steel rails here is removed to Wenona.

No. 1830, one of the U. P. engines will pull 45 and 46. It is compound and a Baldwin engine.

Wm. Corbett former superintendent of the E. & P. H. will take a similar position on the C. & A.

One of the U. P. engines of the large sort passed through Dwight the first of the week, north bound and was being tested by the C. & A. to learn whether it would meet the C. & A. requirements of speed.

Tuesday there was a wreck at Drummond which stripped No. 344, wrecked four stock cars and six meat cars and burned one caboose. The wreck was a rear end collision No. 344 pulling a long freight running into a freight train ahead; some stock was injured, and considerable damage done to the meat. No. 344 passed through Dwight Wednesday morning and attracted considerable attention.

**Obituary.**

Mrs. John L. Meier, nee Sorg passed away peacefully at 2 a. m. December 17, 1900, at her home in Dwight, Asthma and old age seemed to cause her death. She was born the 20th of Nov. 1828, in Bavaria, Germany, where she spent her days of childhood and youth. In 1849, she came to Illinois and settled in Oswego Prairie, where she was united in the same year with Mr. John L. Meier. For over fifty years she shared joy and sorrow, prosperity and adversity with her now sorrowing husband, who has attained to the ripe age of 88 yrs. Of the seven children with which this union was blessed, six survive the mother. Her son George having preceded her in death a few years ago.

1852 the family moved to Goodfarm Township, Grundy Co. Ill., where they resided for over thirty years among their countrymen. They belonged to that thrifty class of Germans, who amidst obstacles obtain to a most favorable situation, the fruit of which Mr. and Mrs. Meier were permitted to enjoy since they removed to Dwight in 1884, where they spent the evening of their lives in quietness and reflection.

Mrs. Meier found the Saviour in 1849 and united with the Evangelical Association, was a faithful member of her church till her death. For over fifty years she served God, being ever a devoted and steadfast Christian. She enjoyed being with God's people and manifested much interest in the cause of Christ. Till the last she was a regular attendant of Divine services, a devoted wife and loving mother. She showed much interest in the temporal and spiritual well-being of her children.

A large concourse of friends and old acquaintances gathered at the residence of Mr. J. L. Meier on Wednesday noon, Dec. 19, to pay respect to the departed and the sorrowing family. From the house the procession was directed to the Ev. church of Goodfarm, where many neighbors and friends had gathered. Of this church Mrs. Meier had been a faithful member for many years. The services were conducted by Rev. F. Schwarz, a former pastor and an intimate friend of the family and Rev. M. Gronewold, pastor. The latter spoke in English at the house and church on Rev. 14: 13, the former taking for his text John 14: 4. The choir of the church sang in an able manner.

The remains were laid to rest in the Union cemetery of Goodfarm township. All the children, one son residing on the homestead; a daughter in Goodfarm; a daughter in Reddick; a son in Fort Wayne, Neb.; a son near Lincoln, Neb.; and one daughter in that city, besides many visitors from various places were present at the funeral.

Although mother Meier had suffered from asthma for several years, her end came quite unexpectedly and after a very short illness. She reached the age of 72 years, 5 months and 27 days. May God console the bereaved family and grant them a glorious reunion in the world to come. A year ago Mr. and Mrs. Meier celebrated their golden wedding.

**Obituary.**

Jesse D. Hefenbaugh, whose burial occurred Dec. 16, at 2 p. m. from the M. E. church, was born at Fountain Valley, near Westminster, Maryland, Aug. 21, 1830, and died at San Diego, California, Dec. 10, 1900, making him 70 yrs. and 4 mos. old. He married Miss Sarah Goodman at Williamsburg, Pa. March 1, 1860, and two children were born to them, Nora E. who died Oct. 6, 1872, and Harry J., who survives.

**CARD OF THANKS.**

We herewith desire to express our gratitude to our friends for their kindness to us during our recent bereavement.

**THE DIFFENBAUGH FAMILY.**

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**Obituary.**

Samuel Sterne was born in Wexford Co., Ireland, March 10, 1833 and passed away Dec. 10, 1900, aged 67 years and nine months. When about nine years of age he came to this country and in 1859 moved to Dwight, Ill., where he was engaged in farming.

In the year 1864 he married Miss Rebecca Goodman, of Huntington, Pa., and to them nine children have been born, seven of whom survive namely: Mrs. Annie Nevins, Washington, Ill., Mrs. Mattie Grundler, Nevada, Ill., Mr. Edward Sterne, Nevada, Ill., Mr. Frank Sterne, Crandall, Ill., Charles, Nellie B. and Lillian and also two sisters Mrs. Wm. Sterne and Mrs. Sprowl, of Streator, Ill., all of whom were present at the funeral. In 1868 he purchased land near Nevada, where he lived until September 1900, he moved to Dwight.

He was an honest, upright citizen, a good neighbor, a kind and loving father and husband. Being one of the early settlers he endured many hardships and was always a very industrious and energetic man. He had always enjoyed the blessings of good health until several years ago he received an electric shock in which he nearly lost his life, but since has been very active and happy in his home life, being happy and contented in his new home surrounded by his family and friends. But God saw fit to call him suddenly away going to meet the loved ones gone before and to await the coming of the dear, loved ones who will go to him, where there will be no parting and sorrow is unknown.

**Grand Central and Livingston Game.**

On Tuesday of this week the hottest contested game of base ball of the season was played in Dwight between the Cornomarra Cuckoos of the Grand Central Hotel and nine of the Barn Storming Indians from the Livingston which resulted in defeat for the Indians by a score of eight to seven. Owing to several serious injuries inflicted upon the tender footed aggregation from the Waldorf Astoria of Dwight, by the savage onslaught of the uncouth Cuckoos, there were but three innings played, the first day but was continued from day to day till the ninth inning was reached which consumed three days. Upon Thursday the third and last day the Indians appeared upon Potter's field reinforced by a bunch of Philipinos, in this final struggle the Cuckoos met their Waterloo. Owing entirely to the fact that the Philipinos were coerced by threats of the Harpoon in case of their defeat. The features of the game were the too double back hand spring and slide to first base by Willmot Frank, a half breed from Barrington and a high fly caught with one hand with the assistance of a tree by Buckler John, a Cherokee from Chicago. It is no more than just to mention the splendid running of Red Anderson, a full blooded Old Crow from Palatine reservation for he fairly flitted through the atmosphere from base to base like a meteor, the color of his whiskers setting the glare of the red sun back 32 points. The druggists have at once ordered a new supply of crutches. The games played by these two teams at this season of the year was indeed a fitting tribute to the closing of the Nineteenth Century. The Indians, after putting in their time here will retire to their reservation in Oklahoma and the Cornomarra Cuckoos o Hogan's Alley. TOM.

"The umpire who umpired not For all he did was soon forgot."—Moore.

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