GIFTS FOR WESLEY HOSPITAL.

David McWilliams, of Dwight, and Arthur Dixon each Donate $1,000 to the Institution.

Chicago Tribune Dec. 28: Announcement was made yesterday of two gifts of $1,000 each to the fund for the erection of the Wesley Hospital at Dearborn and Twenty-fifth streets. Dr. Robert D. Sheppard, President of the Board of Trustees of the Hospital, made the statement that the money had been given by David McWilliams, a banker of Dwight, Ill., and a member of the Board of Trustees of Northwestern University, and by Arthur Dixon, President of the Arthur Dixon Transfer company of Chicago.

These gifts were made through V. A. Burch, the Financial Secretary of the university, and are the first to be announced since the gift of $25,000 to the same fund was made by Thomas Kent of Chicago.

Of the $200,000 that is necessary to complete the building $187,000 has now been given, and it is expected that within a short time the remaining $13,000 will be given. As this is the only important Methodist hospital in Chicago, its requests are meeting with very generous response.

A Pleasant Surprise.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ren Kirkendall gave them a very pleasant surprise at their home two miles north of Gardner, Dec. 20, the occasion being Mr. Kirkendall's birthday. About 10 o'clock as Mr. Kirkendall was busily engaged about the farm, several buggies were seen wending their way towards his residence, and ere many minutes had elapsed he was surrounded by a gay laughing throng. When the dinner hour arrived one of the guests was sent to escort Mr. K. to the dining room, but before he was allowed to sit down to the table, which actually groaned beneath its weight of good things, he was pounced upon by the ladies and the treatment he received will long be remembered by him. The afternoon was spent in conversation and merry making and about 4 p. m. they departed for their homes wishing Mr. Kirkendall many happy returns of the day.

Those present were: Father and mother Kirkendall, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kirkendall, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kirkendall, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jenkins, Miss Edith Parmenter, Mr. Egbert Miller, little Hazel and Alice Jenkins.

Congregational Church Notes.

The Christmas exercises at the Congregational Church Christmas eve consisted of a very interesting program and the children rendered their different parts with great merit, although there had not been much time for preparation. The church was prettily decorated and the weather fine, giving everyone an opportunity to get out to the excercises. The music was a prominent feature of the evening and in every respect this Christmas eve at the Congregational Church was a grand success. Following is the program: Song by the choir "Shine on, Bethlehem's Star"; Ex., What the Star Meant; Trio, Wonderful Counsellor; Recitation Lucile Van Eman, The Snowbird's Christmas; Song, Luther's Cradle Hymn by three little girls; Song, Choir, 'Twas Night on the Plains; Ex. by seven children, Telling the Christmas Story; Rec. Electa Dustin, Sing a Song of Christmas; Song, The Angel's Refrain; Rec. Mrs. Santa Claus; Song Choir.

Family Reunion.

The yearly family reunion of the Merritt family was held in this city on Wednesday and Thursday at the home of M. L. Merritt. This family is composed of the mother, who is 82 years of age and is active and healthy, and nine children and their families, composing in all thirty-six members. There are six boys and three girls. The family was reared and raised fifteen miles west of Streator. The homes of this family are: Mother, oldest son and daughter, Lostant; a daughter at Ottawa; a son in Hutchison, Kas., a son at Buckley; one son at Roberts; and two sons and one daughter at Dwight.

Pleasant Party.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 26, Miss Jessie Miller entertained her young lady friends in honor of her guest, Miss Blanche Wetzel, of Milwaukee. Music vocal and instrumental was rendered. Guests of honor were: Misses Blanche Wetzel, Milwaukee; Jessie Young, Bloomington; Lois Cutright, Peoria; Jessie Crewes, Normal. Guests in town who attended were: Misses Bernice Miller, Sadie Miller, Clara Naffziger, Leila Barr, Ella Chester, Litta Haise, Louise Trunnell. Souvenirs were given during the evening.

Pleasantly Entertained.

Thursday afternoon Dec. 27, a number of young lady friends of Miss Ella Chester were entertained by her at her home in honor of her guest, Miss Jessie Crewes, of Normal. The party was a very pleasant affair and there was ample entertainment for the guests, with music and a general sociable time. The guests departed thanking their hostess for a delightful afternoon.

Business.

Never in the history of Dwight have the merchants enjoyed such a trade as this year and especially so during the week previous to Christmas, and the STAR AND HERALD congratulates them on their success and the general satisfaction given the public.

The holiday business at the express offices eclipsed all records, the offices being literally jammed with packages of all kinds.

The editor of the STAR AND HERALD called on the postmaster and received a cordial welcome considering, and was informed that that important part of Dwight's business was exceedingly busy during the holidays. The receipt and dispatch of packages and registered mail broke all records, still everything was ready for delivery at 7 a. m. and fifteen minutes after the receipt of mails, and everything was dispatched on time. The postmaster informed us that he could congratulate himself on having splendid, hustling assistants, Messrs. Seabert, Baker and Losee.

A STAR AND HERALD reporter also called on several of our merchants and they all have the same story to tell—the largest business year on record.

May the New Year be another record breaker.

Obituary.

Hiram B. Cornell was born in Stanfordville, Duchess Co., N. Y., Sept., 1 1828, and died at Postville, Iowa, Dec. 21st, 1900, aged 72 years, 3 months and 20 days.

He came to Dwight in 1855, where he had resided most of the time and engaged in the hotel business. In 1847 he was married to Phoebe Begordess, whose death occurred in 1857.

On Dec. 29th, 1859 he married Miss Mary Clark, of Albany, N. Y., who died Feb. 13th, 1899, at P stville, Iowa. Three children were born to this union Harry, deceased; Mrs. Gertie Kaylor, of Dwight, and A. E. Cornell, of Postville. Mr. Cornell is also survived by two sisters and one brother, Mrs. E. A. Smith, of Dwight, Mrs. Angeline Case, of Chicago, and Chas. H. Cornell, of Kankauna, Wis.

Dec. 4th, 1899, he and his wife went to Postville, and for several years to endure poor health was his lot. He was well known in this community and will be greatly missed by his many friends. He was a man of cheerful disposition and died peacefully and without a struggle. He was buried beside his wife at Postville, Dec. 23rd.

Mrs Gertie Kaylor, of Dwight, attended the funeral.

Obituary.

The death of Henry Bush, Friday morning, Dec. 21, was a shock to the community in and around Dwight and in the German Lutheran congregation, of which he was a member. He lived three miles from town and leaves a fond wife and three children, two being deceased.

Rev. Vogt officiated and the funeral was from the German Lutheran church, the burial being in the German Lutheran cemetery.

Deceased was 33 years of age and was active and still in the prime of life. He had been a consistent member of the German Lutheran church.

The community extends its sympathy to the family in their sad bereavement.

Obituary.

Mrs. John Hahn died at her home, Dec. 23, at 10 a. m., aged 36 years, and leaves a fond husband and six children. She was looking forward to the Christmas season with pleasure and on the 22nd had been planning for it.

She was a member of the German Lutheran church, as was also the entire family, and had lived in this community for some time, and was a consistent worker in the church.

The services were held under the German Lutheran service and at the church, Rev. Vogt officiating.

The many friends extend their deepest sympathy to the family in their loss and the loss of the community as well.

Church Notes.

High Mass was observed at the Catholic Church on Christmas day and a Christmas sermon was delivered.

At the Methodist Church Christmas Eve was observed by the rendition of sacred music, Nazareth by the choir being especially fine, and by the rendering of a cantata, in which the little folks did very well. The Santa Claus and Christmas tree were a success in every way and the entertainment was a delightful affair. The children had very little time to prepare their parts but had them learned thoroughly and gave entertainment which delighted the congregation. There was a large attendance and the church being crowded presented a merry appearance. The decorations were very tasty and helped out in making this Christmas celebration one of the most successful in every way.

New Telephones.

.... N. Sorensen,.....Shop
.... " " .....Res
.... Dwight High School.
.... M. L. Merritt,.....Res
.... B. S. Cowen,.....Res
.... Theo. J. Hayes,.....Re
.... S. P. Klitz,.....Res

From J. K. Dunlap.

Our good townsman writes the STAR AND HERALD from Pe Ell, Wash., Dec. 17, and among other things, says:

This country is different from any part of the union that I have been in. Yesterday morning we had a thunder storm, with wind and heavy rain. But it has rained every day for the last ten days. We had a fall of snow on the 18 of November, of one foot; it went off in four days. This is a fine climate, the grass is as green as in the month of June; not much farming land here, as the timber is not cut off yet. But where the land is cleared, they raise excellent wheat, timothy four feet long, fine apples, the largest and sweetest plums, also raspberries, strawberries, blackberries, to no end; in the woods the prunes are immense, as large as hen's eggs. It is stated here that a prune orchard five years old is worth $500 an acre; they raise a great many hops, which pay well.

Well, the election is a thing of the past, and this state done nobly. I am told that four years ago it was a man of grit that dared call himself a republican; now democrats are few and populism is dead, but they are working up another scheme. They know that they are whipped, but they will try it again on some other issue.

Kindest regards to friends.

Evening Party.

Miss Pauline Fox entertained a number of her friends Thursday evening in a very pleasing manner. About thirty two guests were present, and various games were indulged in. About 10 o'clock elegant refreshments were served, after which the games were resumed until a late hour, when the guests departed thanking Miss Fox for the very pleasant evening given them. Those present were: Misses Gertrude Mills, Siebert, of Jacksonville, May Morris, Nellie Stewart, Ada Weldon, Lycia Seabert, Jessie Davis, Marie Sparks, Lynn Taylor, Nelle Taylor, Amy Orr, Florence Johnson, Nelle Potter, Bertha Potter, Nellie Mills, Florence Harris. Jennie Thole, Susie Fox, Lydia Fox, and Messers. Will Geis, Dr. Weart, Geo. Brown, Will Barth, John Barth, Burt Orr, Ralph Harris, August Nelson, Martin Nelson, Dan Fox, Ed. Flagler, Clyde Martin, Ben Ogg Calvin Morris.

Liggitt-Ehlers.

Miss Myrtle Ligzitt, daughter of Thomas Liggitt of Dwight was married to Dr. F. F. Ehlers, of Oak Park, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. John L. Hall, Chicago, on Christmas day. This announcement comes as a great surprise to the many friends here. In connection with the event there was a family reunion.

The many friends here extend congratulations and best wishes.

Winter Night Club.

The dance at Mazon hall, Tuesday night under the auspices of the Winter Night club was a delightful affair and was conducted with an eye to the thorough enjoyment of the dancers. The hall was just comfortably filled and the music was well chosen. The evening was very pleasant and the ladies were attractively costumed, giving the ball room a charming appearance.

Public Sale.

The undersigned, having decided to retire from farming, will offer for sale at his farm one mile northeast of Nevada, Ill., on Monday, Jan. 7, 1901, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property, to-wit: 16 head of horses; 16 head of cattle; 25 hogs; 5 or 6 tons of timothy hay; farming implements. Usual terms of sale.—John Fowler. C. E. Bute, auctioneer.

Reddick.

Mrs. M. Guest visited in Dwight last week.

Miss Jessie Sherwood and brother, Jay, of Hebron, Ind., are visiting their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ambrose.

The Catholic fair opened Wednesday night and the arrangement of the exhibits and booths were very attractive. There seems to be a decided interest in its progress and the first night met with encouraging results

Railroad News.

Mr. Throckmorton was in Cayuga on business the first of the week.

Fred Elder is taking a vacation, after which he will take one of the long runs on the main line.

Reduced Rates For Christmas And New Year Holidays.

The Nickel Plate Road will sell tickets December 22 to 25, inclusive, December 31, 1900, and January 1, 1901, at rate of a fare and a third for the round trip, to any point located in Central Passenger Association territory, good returning to and including January 2, 1901. Vestibuled sleeping cars. Individual club meals, ranging in price from 35 cents to $1.00, served in dining cars. Address John Y. Calahan, General Agent, 111 Adams St., Chicago, for particulars. Depot, Van Buren St. and Pacific Ave., on the Elevated Loop. d31

THE TERMS ARE SIGNED.

Envoys of All the Powers Put Their Signatures to the Joint Note to China.

SUMMARY OF THE CONDITIONS IMPOSED.

Ministers Think That the Chinese Government Will Accept the Demands—Minister Conger Made Reservations to Prevent Committing United States to War.

Peking, Dec. 24.—The joint note to the Chinese government was signed by the envoys of all the powers at 11 o'clock Saturday forenoon. Two hundred million dollars is the maximum sum the powers demand of China as indemnity for the Boxer outrages, yet the claims to be made by natives and individuals are likely to be many times that amount. A summary of conditions imposed by the note follows:

The dispatch to Berlin and Tokio of missions, headed by imperial princes, bearing messages of apology for the murder of the German minister and the Japanese chancellor.

The erection of suitable monuments to the murdered diplomats.

The severest punishment of the princes who encouraged the anti-foreign revolt.

The suspension for five years of all official examinations in the cities where foreigners have been attacked.

The interdiction of the importation and manufacture of munitions of war.

Equitable indemnity to governments, societies, companies and individuals, including Chinese, who suffered during the recent uprising.

Right of each power to fortify its legation and maintain a permanent guard.

Destruction of forts which interfere with free communication to Peking.

Perpetual prohibition, under penalty of death, of membership in any anti-foreign society.

Governors general (viceroys) and all provincial or local officials to be held responsible for the maintenance of order within their respective jurisdictions.

Until the Chinese government has complied with the above conditions to the satisfaction of the powers, they can hold out no expectation that the occupation of Peking and the provinces of Chili by the general forces can be brought to a conclusion.

Think China Will Accept.

Peking, Dec. 26.—The foreign ministers here are unanimously of opinion that China will accept the conditions imposed by the joint note of the powers within a month. The note was started on its way to the dowager empress and the emperor immediately after its presentation.

Conger Is Hopeful.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Minister Conger takes a hopeful view of the situation and thinks that a settlement will be effected; but he declares that no one of the envoys will recognize the empress dowager officially. In signing the China joint note he made reservations to prevent committing the United States to war in case of rejection of terms by China.

Christians Burned.

Peking, Dec. 27.—Rev. Mr. Kelly, the Presbyterian missionary who reported to Minister Conger the burning by Boxers of Catholic Christians, now reports having received further confirmation of the burning of native Christians. He now says the number burned is 21, and he adds that thousands of armed Chinese have been seen in the San Ho country. Mr. Conger has sent a copy of the communication to Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, and Japanese and German troops have been sent to investigate the reports.

Americans Were First.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Brig. Gen. Heywood, commandant of the marine corps, has forwarded to the navy department a letter from Capt. Charles D. Long, serving with the marines in China, stating that the American marines were the first to enter the Forbidden City. There has been much controversy as to whether the Russians, British, Germans or Americans were first inside the sacred precincts of the Forbidden City, and this letter is regarded as establishing the claims of the Americans to have been the first on the ground.

Car Works Burned.

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 26.—Fire almost completely destroyed the plant of the Fox pressed steel car works, one of the most extensive manufacturing institutions in this city. The costly machinery contained in the factory was severely damaged, and the total loss is estimated to be about $100,000, with only $9,800 insurance.

Found Guilty of Murder.

Sigourney, Ia., Dec. 24.—Sarah Kuhn was found guilty of murder in the first degree. She was tried on the charge of poisoning her husband. The jury recommended imprisonemnt in the penitentiary for life at hard labor.

Death of Congressman Wise.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 22.—Richard Wise, congressman from the Second Virginia district, died suddenly at his home in Williamsburg Friday. He had long been a sufferer from Bright's disease.

Tortured and Robbed.

Lebanon, O., Dec. 25.—Four masked men entered the farm residence of John Thompson, near here, and gagged and tortured Thompson and his wife till they surrendered $300.

A Sad Affair.

Blakeslee, O., Dec. 27.—Wayne Cromwell, aged 24, and Charles Canan, aged 21, were drowned near here and the mother of the latter, when notified of the accident, dropped dead.

Collections Increase.

Washington, Dec. 26.—For the last five months the total receipts from internal revenue were $131,279,187, an increase over the corresponding period last year of $3,718,768.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For the Week Ending Dec. 27.

Edwin L. Brand, pioneer photographer of Chicago, is dead.

Mrs. Kittie Rice died at Mount Morris, Ill., at the age of 103.

Official reports show that there are 30,000 lepers in the Philippines.

Immigration to the United States for the calendar year will reach 460,000.

Frank Barr, aged 18 years, was killed in a boxing contest in Philadelphia.

John Laing celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of his birth in Chicago.

An Indian ran amuck at Eufaula, Ind. T., killing three men and wounding one.

The last Christmas in the nineteenth century was celebrated all over the country.

Episcopal Bishop Coadjutor C. R. Hale, of the Springfield diocese, died at Cairo, Ill.

Orders have been issued abolishing newsboys on all trains of the Erie railroad system.

Andrew McNeff celebrated at La Rue, O., the one hundredth anniversary of his birth.

James Wood, the oldest man in New Hampshire, died in Portsmouth, aged 104 years.

A Chinese viceroy by treachery massacred 1,000 reformers in the province of Pechili.

W. D. Coleman, president of Liberia, resigned. G. W. Gibson was elected to succeed him.

Prof. Harris, "king of the wire," fell and was killed at a performance in Bordentown, N. J.

A son of Louis Tonhose, of Judd, Ia., has been kidnaped and it is believed he is held for ransom.

University of Chicago physiologists assert that salt causes the heart to beat and keeps up life.

The American national bank of Baltimore, Md., has been placed in the hands of a receiver.

The twentieth century national Gospel campaign has been officially inaugurated in New York.

The young son of Samuel Albertson killed his father in Chicago because of an attack on his mother.

A direct line of steamers between Portland, Ore., and Manila will be in operation by February 25.

Director of the Mint Roberts says the demand for pennies has been greater this year than ever before.

All cities report that postal facilities were never so taxed as during this year's holiday business.

J. B. Scarlett, aged 65 years, and daughter Minnie, aged 21 years, were killed by a train at Colmar, Ill.

W. Irvine Shaw, recently appointed consul general to Singapore, committed suicide in Philadelphia.

Policeman Timothy Riordan shot and instantly killed in Chicago Edward Dunaven, a highwayman.

Theodore L. Poole, member of the Fifty-fourth congress and a civil war veteran, died at Syracuse, N. Y.

Mayor Patterson, of Bismarck, N. D., was arrested by the sheriff on the charge of permitting gambling.

Mrs. Margaret Cullagan, an inmate of the home for the aged in Chicago, was 100 years old Christmas day.

The Kentucky state board of health has quarantined Greenup county against the world because of smallpox.

Count Leonard von Blumenthal, the oldest field marshal in the German army, died at Gullendorf, aged 90 years.

Emma Goldman said in New York that the anarchists had decided not to kill any more kings or crowned heads.

The sheriff of Ripley county, Ind., paid $4,000 to Mrs. L. C. Jenkins, whose husband was lynched September 14, 1897.

Rev. Dr. Thomas Murphy, one of the most eminent Presbyterian clergymen in Philadelphia, died of pneumonia.

The Democrat branch of the W. C. T. U. in New York denounced kissing as an intoxicant, and therefore to be barred.

Roger T. Gill was named receiver of the Old Town bank, one of the best-known banking institutions in Baltimore, Md.

An unchartered island near the Philippines is said to have been annexed by the commander of an American gunboat.

Alfred Harmsworth, London editor, predicts radical changes in the publication of newspapers in the twentieth century.

The daughter-in-law of former United States Attorney General Miller kidnaped her seven-year-old son at Indianapolis.

At East Braintree, Mass., the torpedo boat destroyer McDonough was launched at the works of the Fort River Iron company.

An attorney at Omaha says kidnapers can be sent to the penitentiary. Pat Crowe, suspect in the Cudahy case, not yet located.

Members of the Hyde Park Baptist church in Chicago made a Christmas offering of $20,256 to be used for the erection of a new church.

A lot of Christmas consignments were destroyed when the Western Express office in Houghton, Mich., burned. Loss about $12,000.

Dr. J. H. Kellogg, superintendent of the Battle Creek (Mich.) sanitarium, was stabbed by an insane woman patient, but may recover.

W. J. Bryan, speaking at a banquet in Lincoln, Neb., said democracy must stick to silver and fight imperialism, but admitted he might not again run for president.

As the result of a fire caused by the explosion of an airtight stove the Providence Methodist Episcopal church (colored) at St. Joseph, Mo., was partially burned and the pastor, Rev. J. L. Leonard, was fatally burned.

THE MARKETS.

	New York, Dec. 27.		
LIVE STOCK—Steers	$4 30	@	5 30
Hogs	4 90	@	5 39
Sheep	3 00	@	3 70
FLOUR—Winter Straights	3 40	@	3 55
Minnesota Patents	3 80	@	4 20
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	76½	@	78¼
May	73¾	@	79
CORN—No. 2	40½	@	40
May	41¾	@	41⅝
OATS—No. 2	27⅝	@	28
BUTTER—Creamery	18	@	25
Factory	11½	@	16
CHEESE	11¾	@	12
EGGS	19	@	25
	CHICAGO.		
CATTLE—Prime Steers	$5 90	@	6 10
Texas Steers	4 10	@	4 90
Stockers	3 25	@	3 30
Feeders	3 40	@	4 35
Bulls	2 10	@	4 30
HOGS—Light	4 75	@	5 05
Rough Packing	4 75	@	4 95
SHEEP	3 65	@	4 60
BUTTER—Creamery	16	@	23
Dairy	13	@	20
EGGS	15	@	22
POTATOES (per bu.)	36	@	47
PORK—January	12 20	@	12 26
LARD—January	6 90	@	6 97½
RIBS—January	6 27½	@	6 30
GRAIN—Wheat, May	72¾	@	73⅜
Corn, May	35⅝	@	36
Oats, May	22½	@	23⅝
Rye, No. 2	46⅝	@	47
Barley, Good	52	@	56
	MILWAUKEE.		
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1 Nor'n	$ 73	@	73½
Oats, No. 3	28½	@	28
Rye, No. 1	51	@	51½
Barley, No. 2	59	@	60
	KANSAS CITY.		
GRAIN—Wheat, May	$ 65¾	@	66
Corn, May	34¼	@	34⅝
Oats, No. 2 White	24	@	24½
Rye, No. 2	46½	@	46
	ST. LOUIS.		
CATTLE—Native Steers	$3 50	@	5 85
Texas Steers	3 45	@	4 65
HOGS—Packers'	4 85	@	5 00
Butchers'	5 00	@	5 05
SHEEP—Native Muttons	3 50	@	4 25
	OMAHA.		
CATTLE—Native Steers	$4 25	@	5 35
Cows and Heifers	3 00	@	4 15
Stockers and Feeders	3 40	@	4 00
HOGS—Mixed	4 87½	@	4 90
SHEEP—Westerns	3 85	@	4 00

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