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DWIGHT.

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Dwight has beautiful churches of almost all denominations.

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Dwight has a fine printing plant, not excelled anywhere and newspapers which cover the north half of Livingston county and the south half of Grundy county and for twenty miles east and west. We publish news from Livingston, Grundy, Kankakee, LaSalle and other counties. Our advertisers reap rewards and we make a living. Our circulation is reaching close to the 2,000 mark. We print anything any printing office prints. Our paper is \$1.50 a year, absolutely in advance, and you don't have to worry about it being continued after the time is up, because it will be stopped promptly if you don't pay after being notified by us that your time has expired, just the same as if you were taking a big daily.

We cordially invite strangers to locate in Dwight, and all the people to trade with our business men and to call at our office or call us up and tell us your troubles. Local and Long Distance Phone No. 7.

It was reported in the Chicago papers that Hon. William Lorimer had recently become a Catholic. Well, what of it? That's purely a matter for Mr. Lorimer to settle in his own mind and conscience.

It looks to many people with whom we have talked, that Hon. Roger Sullivan will be nominated for United States Senator by the Democrats. The prediction is freely made that he will poll more votes than all the other Democratic candidates together.

There appeared in the Chicago Tribune last week some cartoons supposed to represent some of the country editors in Illinois, who were in annual session in Chicago. It was particularly fortunate or unfortunate, as you like, that the names were all printed under the pictures, because it would have been impossible for even the evil one himself to have told who they were.

The newspapers announce that during last week over eleven hundred saloons went out of business in Illinois on account of the recent "wet" and "dry" elections. There are only four left in Livingston county, and they are located in Cullom, the only "wet" territory. There are several cases in the county court yet to be decided, but the prospects are that no change will be made.

It is estimated that the citizens of the United States own property in Mexico amounting to \$1,057,770,000, and that the Mexicans themselves own \$793,187,242 worth. The interests of the citizens of the United States should be protected. The Mexicans are howling about their country, when it really comes nearer being our country and the time will come when it will have to be in fact.

Col. Theo. Roosevelt has once more come out of the woods, and believe us, there will soon be something doing. This time he has been hidden in the wilds of South America and has discovered a lot of new animals, birds, etc., and some of the papers say he has discovered a new river. The people will not be surprised to learn that he has discovered almost anything. One thing sure he has not been spending much time in "watchful waiting."

The great celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Republican party in Illinois, in Bloomington the 29th of May, bids fair to be the greatest affair of its kind ever pulled off in the country. Invitations have been accepted by public men all over the state and out, and there will be seven hundred sit down to the dollar banquet prior to the speaking. Hon. Geo. Wickerham, one of the finest orators in the country, will be the principal speaker. This will be a great boom for the Republican party in the state and in the middle west.

It is with sincere sorrow that we announce the death of Arthur Gillispie, the musical author. It was of him we published an article last week in this paper. Mr. Gillispie had recently located in New York City. He was taken with pneumonia a few days ago, and not being very strong, was not able to withstand the ravages of the disease. He was 46 years of age, and had many friends in Dwight. Probably the song which brought him most before the public and made him popular was "Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder."

The "watchful waiting" policy seems to have been an absolute failure so far. The United States has gone too

far to back out, and we believe that if General Funston had been given "power to act," as it were, three months ago, there would not have been much left of the Mexican muss. Appointing mediators from countries which are very little, if any, more civilized than Mexico, was not what Wm. McKinley, Theo. Roosevelt or any other patriotic president would have done. A large majority of our people believe in peace, but not peace at any price or peace coupled with humility and disgrace.

The Hon. James Keeley, who is editor of the newly combined Chicago newspaper—the Record-Herald and Inter Ocean—asks the public to give it a name. One thing sure the public may think it is naming Mr. Keeley's paper, but he'll call it just what he pleases. Probably the best name would be Inter Ocean Herald—the news from ocean to ocean—but we don't believe Mr. Keeley likes the name, Inter Ocean. There will be a large majority of the people who have known Mr. Keeley as editor and manager of the Tribune, who will wait awhile before they decide what they will call it. If many of them decide to call it what they have the Tribune at times, we decline to reproduce the names in these columns.

It is well known that Senator Thomas Sterling, of South Dakota, is a brother of Ex-Congressman John A. Sterling, of Bloomington. The following appeared recently in a Chicago paper under this heading. "Senator Sterling's Modesty;" "Senator Thomas Sterling, of South Dakota, a brother of former Representative John A. Sterling, of Bloomington, Ill., has established a reputation in the senate as a deep and careful thinker, a senator of force and a modest man. In explaining his modesty recently Senator Sterling said he had had humility inculcated into him from childhood. "Why, when I was a baby," said the senator, "the house caught fire one day and my mother rushed into the building looking for the most valuable thing she could save. She came into the room where I lay in my cradle, picked up a basket of chips and safely deposited it in the front yard. When my mother told me about the incident in my later years it made an impression on me and I have never been able to forget that 'pride goeth before a fall.'"

The Chicago Inter Ocean and Record-Herald have been purchased by James Keeley, former manager of the Chicago Tribune. It is announced that the Record-Herald-Inter Ocean will be independent in everything

Mr. Keeley is an able newspaper man, and one can only judge what the new consolidated newspaper will be by what the Tribune has been. One thing sure and that is that the Republican party hasn't a reliable newspaper in Chicago. It does look as if there was a splendid opening for a good, reliable Republican daily in Chicago, similar to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. A newspaper which could be depended upon by the party at all times. This is a splendid opportunity for the Globe-Democrat to extend its circulation in Illinois, and also for reliable Republican daily papers such as the Pantagraph, Illinois State Journal and others, to make improvements and extend circulation and influence.

The Republican party is largely dependent on the country editors for support, and the country Republican editors should fully realize the opportunity before them and make their papers better all the time. The Democratic party is in about the same boat.

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Last week one of the most important meetings of the country newspaper men was held at the Sherman House in Chicago. The program was an open one and no one assigned to any particular subject. The questions presented brought out much valuable information.

The president, Chas. W. Warner, presided, and owing to the absence of Secretary Jos. M. Page, of Jerseyville, Hon. E. A. Snively acted as secretary. Mr. Page was absent on account of the sickness of Mrs. Page, and resolutions of sympathy were passed. Mr. Page has been secretary for twenty-six years, and Mrs. Page has always been with him when possible, and has done much to make the social side of the meeting pleasant, especially for the ladies.

Resolutions were passed creating a new bureau under the secretary—information and employment department, where the country printer can secure help with assurance that the applicants are what they need. This, we believe, is an advanced step and should be taken advantage of.

The practical subjects of rates, liability insurance, purchasing stock, linotype for country office, and many others were taken up and discussed.

The attendance while fair, was not what it should be by any means. The fact that those who attended had to pay railroad fare had something to do with the attendance. That should not cut much figure, for the reason that through the influence of the Association thousands of dollars have been put in the pockets of the publishers, and everyone benefited should stand

up, as it were, and do his share. It is a shame that a faithful few are standing the expense while all reap the rewards. There are many other publicity matters to take up at Springfield, and every newspaper man in the state should help to "turn on the light," and at the same time benefit the public and themselves.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:

President—Joseph M. Page, Jerseyville Democrat.

First vice president—John T. Galbraith, Carbondale Free Press.

Second vice president—W. J. Smith, Waukegan News.

Third vice president—H. U. Bailey, Princeton Republican.

Secretary—J. M. Sheets, Oblong Oracle.

Treasurer—J. E. McClure, Carlinville Democrat.

Executive committee—Three years, Charles W. Warner, Hooperston Chronicle; one year, S. J. Porterfield, Culom Chronicle; two years, Wm. G. Dustin, Dwight Star and Herald.

Auditing committee—F. W. Lewis, Robinson Constitution; J. W. Wild, Nokomis Free Press; Vic Haven, Greenfield Argus.

Ethan Allen Snively, of Springfield, was chosen unanimously as the legislative committee to push proposed legislation at the next session of the Illinois general assembly.

There were only three present from Livingston county: Messrs. S. J. Porterfield, of Cullom, and A. S. Holbrook and W. G. Dustin, of Dwight.

The next meeting will be the semi-centennial of the organization and will undoubtedly be the largest ever held.

Judge Orrin W. Carter, of the Illinois Supreme Court, delivered a fine address regarding the judiciary and the press. He was given a hearty vote of thanks.

One of the finest features of the meeting was the banquet given the members of the press by the Chicago Association of Commerce. The banquet was fine and the speeches were helpful to all. It was a reunion enjoyed by all and will accomplish much as a "get together" enterprise.

The toastmaster was Blaine S. Smith. Among the speakers were Hons. J. W. O'Leary, Ed. E. Gore, John C. Clair, John D. Shoop, superintendent of schools, Cook county, E. C. Ferguson, President Illinois Commercial Federation, who recently spoke in Dwight, all of Chicago; and Hon. C. W. Warner, president of the I. P. A., Hooperston; Hon. E. A. Snively, legislative committeeman, Springfield, Ill.; W. T. Bedford, LaSalle; Wm. G. Dustin, Dwight; Chas. Bliss, Wm. G. Dustin, Dwight; Chas. Bliss,

Hillsboro, and Hiram Wheeler, of Quincy.

THAT REMINDS US.

That now the city is "dry," the "pussyfoot" will be in evidence.

That Dwight went "dry" last Saturday night real decent. It's a long time, etc.

That the old postmaster from force of habit, tried the postoffice door to see if everything was secure. He will probably realize that he is not postmaster, especially on pay day.

That if they had suffrage in Solomon's day, how busy the old man must have been lecturing among a thousand wives. In these days one is sometimes more than a man can influence.

That one paper speaks a lot of truth when it says that "sometimes it is a good plan to elect a professional reformer to office and see him get over it."

That the Chinese danced the tango a thousand years ago, and look at them now.

That it almost always takes two to make a bargain and then only one is satisfied.

That often the unloaded (?) shooting iron kill more than the loaded one.

That the fly should be swatted before it has a million or two of kids—commence right now.

The Postoffice.

The Dwight office was turned over to A. L. Graves Tuesday, May 12, after business. There was nearly ten thousand dollars in money and stock turned over and received for by Mr. Graves, besides the outfit, mail boxes, etc.

Mr. Graves takes charge of the office with a good force, and we join the public generally in wishing him success.

Mr. Dustin is manager and editor of the Dwight Star and Herald, and will give his full time to the printing business. Associated with him are Mr. Holbrook, who occupies practically the same position he has, Mr. Klein and the Misses Thole and Johnson. The business is constantly increasing and is second in Dwight in patronizing Uncle Sam's postoffice.

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