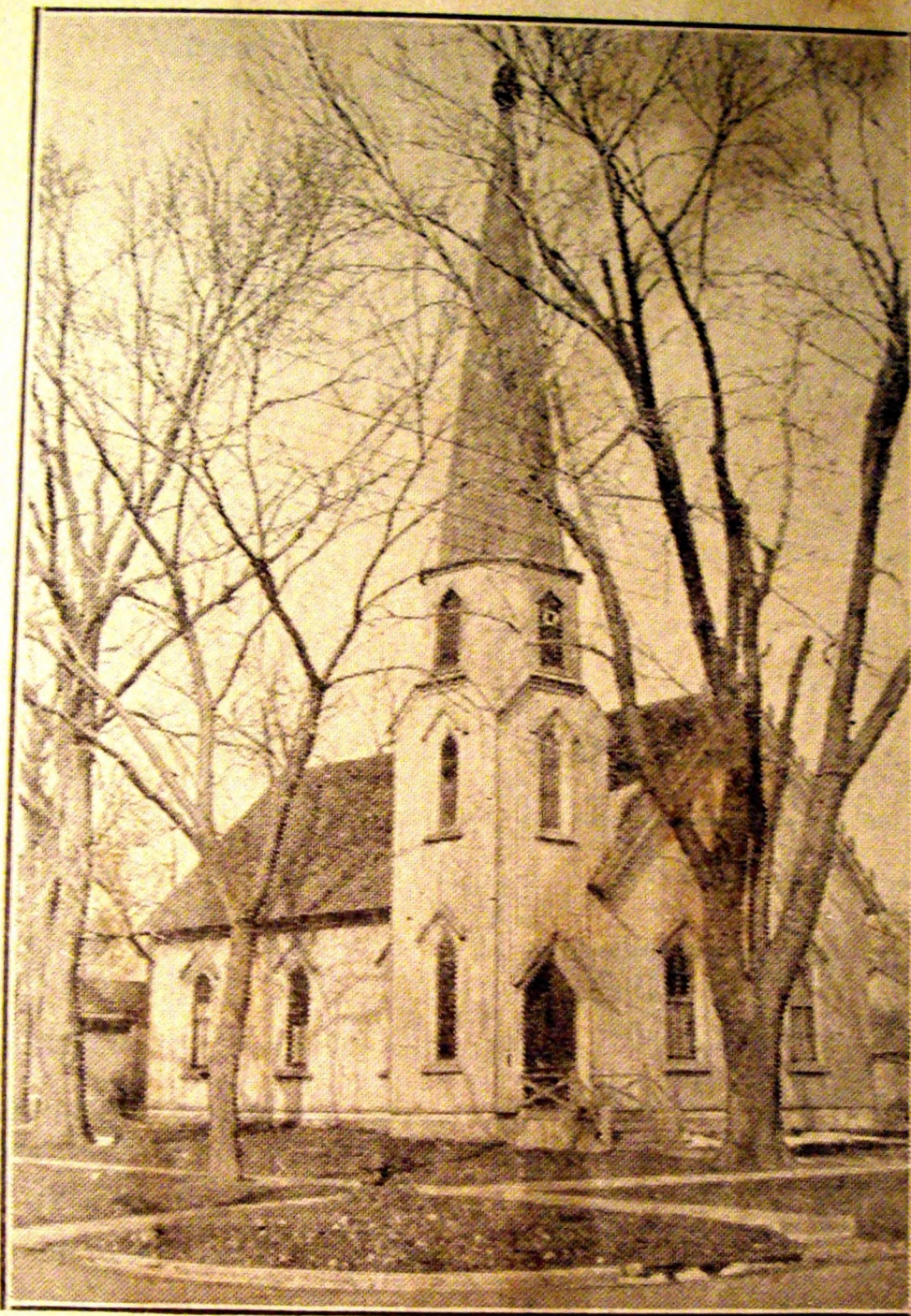


FIRST CHURCH BUILT IN DWIGHT



Erected in 1858

NOW THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

This historic landmark of the early days of Dwight is still standing at the corner of North Franklin and East Seminole Streets, where it was erected in 1858. This is the first real church edifice to be built and was erected by a group of Presbyterian denomination of religious faith, who organized a society in Dwight in 1856. James C. Spencer and Richard Price Morgan, pioneer settlers, donated the lots on which the church was built. The first resident pastor of the church was Rev. L. F. Walker. The elders were Hugh Thompson, Robert Thompson, James George, James Paul and John C. George.

Of historical interest was the visit of the Prince of Wales, afterwards King Edward, of England, who visited Dwight in 1860 on a hunting trip, and attended services in this church while a guest at the home of James C. Spencer, on the farm northeast of Dwight.

The Christian Science Society purchased the property several years ago, and hold services there regularly.