

The Dwight Star.

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LAST WEEK.

Last week we were decidedly under the weather. It was our first sickness in some years and for that reason perhaps, felt it more than habitual grunTERS. When we felt ourself going beyond our own curative qualifications, we applied that anatomical machinist known as Dr. Keeley for a general over-hauling. We know now from experience that he, Doctor is thorough in everything, even in price, as he put seventeen dollars worth of repairs upon us, in an incredibly short space of time. We don't grumble however, as we are again as good as new, with a claim on the Doctors good will for liquidating promptly.

In consequence of our sickness we failed to appear last week for which we are truly sorry, as we had some very interesting articles from ambitious men who were desirous of telling the Democracy of the country, their opinion of the situation, and their consequent duty in view of that fact. We have much to speak of this week but time and particularly space, forbids. Therefore we will canter gently through a little gossip with our readers, hoping that in our next issue we may feel well enough, to be more concise and specific.

The first matter claiming our attention is the fact of a premature development of aspirants for 'Post Official' honors. We hardly meet a man now, who does not feel that he could manage a Post Office

acceptably, and all expect to be able to prove the fact to a "demonstration" in the coming four years. We know of at least six petitions at present in circulation, and of many others contemplated and each and every one claiming the support of the Star as an advocate. Now we are perfectly satisfied with our present P. M. and would not give his old boots, for any one of the aspirants we thus far know of. We have some Post Office knowledge ourself, and from our experience, judging, that the town of Dwight could not select from among them a gentleman more eminently fitted in every particular to fill the place than the present incumbent. He is a consistent kind hearted old gentleman who has given very general satisfaction to all parties in creed and politics, since his appointment, and should therefore be retained. There is a rumor upon the street that the Courier is about to 'squash' Odell has the anticipated honor of its next resting place, having bid as high as \$2000 for its influence in puffing that town into note. Well no matter where it goes, it is a dead cock in the pit, after the first six months.

A CONTEMPTABLE COINCIDENCE.

Mrs. J. G. Strong called upon us on Tuesday afternoon to ask a notice for an oyster supper to be given under the auspices of the Methodist association on next Wednesday evening the 25th inst. We at once called her attention to the fact that ON THAT EVENING the opening lecture of the Dwight Lyceum was to be delivered at the Congregational Church and the two would conflict, being on the same evening. She referred to the subject as though that fact had been CANVASSED BY THE SOCIETY before a conclusion had

been reached to give their supper on that evening. Such is the case, we look upon the affair as a twin repetition of the HOG OPERATION, occurring last fourth of July, in which that society made themselves contemptible, by refusing at the last moment to redeem a voluntary promise made by them to the Congregational society, for their baseness: upon the lame plea that they wished the room for a Sunday-school meeting next morning and feared they could not get it cleared up in time. Such flimsy pretexts are easily seen through and we the Star abominate meanness sufficiently to ventilate it whenever we find it, without reference to consequences, and we hope under the circumstances that if the affair does come off that the Methodist society may receive a merited punishment by a severe letting alone. We for one, will be largely prepared to sell oysters at 50 cents a can to the hungry molusk seekers who would otherwise go there and pay 50 cents for a dozen cooked.

The final excuse offered by Mrs. Strong when the facts were palpably pointed out to her; was that the oysters were ordered for that evening and WOULD BE HERE and the supper could not be put off. Perhaps *them* oysters were grown expressly to be eaten in Dwight on the 25th, the God of the molusk kingdom having so ordered it, perhaps. We hope however, it will not stop the lecture—and also from the facts presented to a discriminating public that they will give the Methodist society the privilege of eating their own oysters without any outside disturbance. We promised Mrs. Strong an elaborate notice of the MEANNESS intended, and we sincerely hope she will consider this, sufficiently so.

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