

J. M. MILLER, DENTIST, DECATUR, ILLS.

Rooms over Mrs. Hamsher's millinery store, Merchant street, May 13, 1876-dw1f

DR. R. L. WALSTON

HAS resumed the general practice of medicine, and is now attending to all kinds of professional business day or night, in the city or country. Office as heretofore.

D. L. BUNN. EDWIN PARK.

BUNN & PARK ATTORNEYS AT LAW, DECATUR, ILLINOIS

OFFICE:—No. 14 East Main Street—Up stairs. April 17th 1876

J. Stebbins King, M. D.,

FORMERLY resident physician St. John's Hotel for Invalids, Cincinnati, Ohio; late of United States Army, Surgeon in charge of Mississippi State Hospital, and several military hospitals, Satchel, Miss.

OFFICE:—Over W. C. Armstrong's drug store, Decatur, Illinois.

Residence, No. 49 North Main street, Jan 27, 1876-dw1f

T. S. HOSKINS, DENTIST!

Offers his professional services to the people of Decatur and vicinity. Work guaranteed of the best quality.

OFFICE:—Over Heidman's grocery store, merchant street, Decatur, Ill. May 28, 1876-dw1f

DR. IRA B. CURTIS

Specialist in all diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. Private consultation room attached to office.

OFFICE:—North door, in Wm. M. Barrett's marble shop building, North Main street, Decatur, Ill. (over 20-dw1f)

HARVEY PASCO,

ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY Public, Solicitor of Collections, Bankruptcy and War Claims. Office over Banker's shoe store, E. Main street, Decatur, Ill.

Special attention given to Bankruptcy and general collecting business. June 1, 1876-dw1f

W. T. CUSINS,

ATTORNEY AT LAW AND GENERAL COLLECTING AGENT. Office—Room 5, Powers' Block. Prompt attention to business.

I. A. BUCKINGHAM,

ATTORNEY AT LAW.—Office over Hildebrand's Drug Store, Decatur, Ill. April 13, 1876-dw1f

Dr. A. S. Waltz,

DENTIST, Decatur, Ill. Office, over Barber's & Co's shoe store, East Main street, June 1, 1876-dw1f

St. Nicholas Hotel,

LAUX & BRO., PROPRIETORS N. 10th and Old Square, Decatur Illinois. Bus to and from the cars. Aug 11

C. C. McCOMAS,

ATTORNEY AT LAW AND STATES Attorney for Macon county. Office—Over the Post Office, Decatur, Ill. Dec. 13, 1876-dw1f

DR. R. C. DAWKINS,

DENTIST, Decatur, Ill. Office—over Smith Hamner & Co's Bank. 21-dw1f

B. I. STERRETT,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW. OFFICE:—Southeast cor. of the old square, in the office formerly occupied by S. G. Malone, Esq., over W. C. Armstrong's drug store. June 1-dw1f

W. C. JOHNS,

Attorney at Law, Decatur, Illinois. OFFICE: Over Abel & Locke's carpet store, East Main Street. [Apr. 1-dw1f]

DR. P. B. SPARKS,

HOMOEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN. OFFICE:—Over the new Post Office. Residence—No. 14 North Main Street. April 21, 1874-dw1f

E. R. ELDRIDGE, J. O. H. HOSTETLER,

ELDRIDGE & HOSTETLER, ATTORNEYS AT LAW OFFICE:—Over Newell & Hammer's grocery store. [July 4, 1874-dw1f]

Dr. J. KING, M. D.,

HAS RESUMED THE PRACTICE of medicine. Office—Over Busher's shoe store

A. BROWER BUNN,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW. Office in Central Block, over Wingate's lamp store, Merchant street. August 3, 1876-dw1f

M. A. MYER,

House, Sign & Fresco PAINTER, Glazier, Grainer & Paper Hang-

THANKFUL for past favors, a continuance of the patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.

Shop over Quinlan & Bro's Carpet Store, East Main street, Decatur, Ill. March 17 1876-dw1f

J. MILIKIN & J. B. ANKERS

DECATUR, ILLS. DEPOSITS RECEIVED, LOANS NEGOTIATED, BUSINESS PAPER DISCOUNTED.

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LOCAL JOTTINGS.

An exchange truthfully remarks that humanity can scarce be rendered happier this side the good world than is a boy with his first hip pocket filled with peanuts, or a miss with her first pull-back with a pocket and a handkerchief crumpled therein. Such bliss is pure, childlike and bland.

"The Great Unknown" is operating extensively at Tolono and in that section of country. Several dwellings have been burglarized and numerous thefts committed of late, all of which indicate that the fellow understands his "biz," and is a sharp financier.

Of the nine tramps arrested night before last, five or six are in the city's employ to day at different points. They seem to prefer work to lying in close confinement in the calaboose. We presume they will get "weary in well doing," and skip out should they see an opportunity.

We are in receipt of a line from Mr. L. L. Haworth, who is now at the Centennial at Philadelphia, ordering the Daily REPUBLICAN sent to him there. He is stopping at 614 Race street, at the boarding house of Mrs. M. E. Willenberg, formerly a resident of this city.

Mr. James Lichtenberger, of Whitmore, exhibited at our office samples of two varieties of fall sown wheat, one of them being from seed furnished Mr. L. from Washington. Both varieties are well filled and are a fair average of the grain in the field.

Another Escape.—Last night another one of the fellows engaged in working out his fine upon the streets watched his opportunity and left about half-past 5 o'clock. As there was no particular reason for holding the fellow, and as the most important end to be gained was to be well rid of him, no vigorous pursuit was made. He will probably give Decatur a wide berth after this.

Worthy of Mention.—During the session of the Grand Lodge of colored Masons here it is estimated that about five hundred visitors were in attendance from other localities, and from first to last, covering four days, not one was seen to be intoxicated; neither was there the slightest jar or disorder of any kind during the whole time. These facts speak well for the colored people, and as we have suggested in another place, the meeting just closed here has left a most favorable impression upon our citizens as to the intelligence and culture of this class of community.

A New Law Firm.—John A. Brown, Esq., Master in Chancery, and F. B. Tait, Esq., have formed a partnership for the practice of law, and have fitted up the office on the opposite side of the hall from Smith & Clokey's, formerly occupied by Squire Goodman. Both members of the firm are young men of energy and ability, and will doubtless build up a good practice.

In Position.—The new watering trough on the old square gives a most convenient arrangement for watering horses. By means of bars placed across the top of the trough persons are prevented from dipping out of the water from the trough with buckets, while at the same time the bars are far enough apart to allow a horse to get his head between them for the purpose of drinking.

30 Acres of Good Pasture for Rent.—About two miles northwest of Decatur, with running water. This pasture has had no stock on it this season, and is in excellent condition. For particulars apply at this office. [June 7d&wtf]

Miss & Scruggs have just received all numbers of Madame Foy's skirt supporting corset, Mrs. S. A. Moody's abdominal corset, and the Jacqueline corset. Also, a complete assortment of Glove-Fitting and French corsets, of superior makes, and at the lowest prices. 21-dw1f

Mrs. Moody's Abdominal Corset, Madame Foy's Supporter Corset, the Duplex Hip-Fitting Corset, the Champion and Grand Duchess Corset—French and American styles, at lower prices than any other house in the city, at 21-dw1f

Hagan's Magnolia Balm preserves and restores the complexion; removes freckles, tan and sallowness; makes the skin soft, white and delicate. Its application cannot be detected. March 10, 1876—dead wly

Great Bargains in Jewelry at J.L. Knieper's, 24 Merchant street. Feb. 7-d&wtf.

International Exhibition for 1876.—Official Catalogue, complete, in one volume price, \$1.50. For sale by J. M. STROOKER & Co. May 20—dw1f

The Tramp Business.

The magnitude to which the tramp nuisance has attained in all parts of the country renders the question of how to dispose of it—one of no little importance, and one which is not easy of solution. It has been thought that the coming of summer would make a demand for labor that would lessen the number of fellows who go about begging and stealing, but if anything, the force increases with the advance of the season. The fact is, they can manage to make themselves comfortable while preying upon community much better now than they could when the weather was cold; and it is evident that local authorities will have to make and enforce stringent regulations bearing upon the matter in order to prevent being overrun with loafers and dead-beats.

All well disposed persons who are unable to get work are, of course, entitled to the sympathy and consideration of community, and the fact that a person is out of employment, by no means identifies him with the class whose case is under consideration, and as we remarked yesterday, no municipal regulations adopted with a view to abating the tramp nuisance, will at all interfere with those who are known to the people among whom they live as honest, well-meaning people; and what we wish to say is, that the entire community should sustain the authorities in enforcing such regulations as may be needed to protect the homes of our people from thieving and plunder.

[From Friday's Daily.]

"Honest John" makes a Raid upon his Father's Pocket-book.—Day before yesterday Mr. Hockenberry—"Honest John's" father—missed about fifty dollars in money which he had about him. As John was about home, the old gentleman suspected that he knew something about the missing treasure and laid the theft to him. John persistently denied any knowledge of the money or its whereabouts, and to bring matters to a head, Mr. Hockenberry put the case into the hands of Marshal Haworth. The officer interviewed John and became satisfied from his manner that he was the thief, but could get nothing from him but a positive denial. With this denial Mr. Haworth was by no means satisfied, and he took John in tow, starting down town with the purpose of taking the suspected chap before a Justice to see what he could prove on him. Before reaching the office John confessed the theft, and returning to the house he went into the shed and unearthed the money, where he had it buried in a tin can. As the entire amount was there and no loss had been sustained, the father declined to swear out a warrant against his son, and there the matter rests; and as the members of the family are very anxious that nothing should be done in the matter, it will probably be allowed to drop.

GET RELIABLE INFORMATION.

We would advise all persons who are contemplating a trip to the West, either for pleasure or for permanent settlement, to first select the BEST AND MOST DIRECT ROUTE. Now the fact that the Old Reliable Hannibal & St. Joseph Railroad and connections, FURNISH THE ONLY LINE RUNNING THROUGH PULLMAN SLEEPING CARS AND DAY COACHES from Cleveland and Toledo via the T. W. & W. R. Y., and from Chicago via the C. B. & Q. R. R. via Quincy to St. Joseph, Atchison and Kansas City, WITHOUT CHANGE, making direct connections at these points with all trains for the West and South, should satisfy every one that this is THE ROUTE. Should you desire a map of this line, or any information regarding time or rates, the same will be gladly furnished upon application, either by letter or in person, to T. PENFIELD, General Pass. and Ticket Agent, Hannibal, Missouri. [Feb 24 dtf]

From Thursday's Daily.

Burglary and Attempted Assassination at Macon.—Last night the house of Mr. C. H. Ruby, of Macon, was entered by burglars, who upon going into Mr. R.'s room, seized him and threw him upon the floor. One of the rascals, placing his knees upon the chest of the prostrate man, drew a dirk across his throat, at the same time saying, "Your money or your life, d—n you!" Mr. Ruby told them that he had only a small amount of money by him, which they took and left the house.

About the same time Mrs. Brown's residence was entered by three men who got in through an upper window. Three young rascals, who were in the upper part of the house, were terribly frightened by the invaders, who went down stairs, and lighting a lamp, thoroughly ransacked the house for money, but on finding none left. No clew has been obtained to the bold and desperate villains.

Colored Masonic Grand Lodge of Illinois.

The meeting of this body which opened in this city on Tuesday of last week, has called together a number of prominent colored gentlemen from different sections of the State, among whom are J. H. Kelley, of Quincy; J. J. Bird, of Cairo; Rev. Chas. S. Jacobs, of Galesburg; Mr. Archy, of Brooklyn; J. T. Jones, of Chicago; John Lee, of Springfield; Mr. Roundtree, of Jacksonville; Austin Perry, of Mattoon, and Wm. McLaughlin, of Bloomington.—The sessions of the lodge will continue through to-day, and to-morrow the colored people of the city, under the direction of the local lodge, will give a picnic at the fair grounds. Preparations are made for a grand time, and it will be a gala day with our colored people.

From Friday's Daily.

Off for Joliet.—This morning Sheriff Jennings left for Joliet with four prisoners convicted of different crimes at the last term of court. Below we give their names, the crimes of which they were proven guilty, and the terms of their imprisonment:

Wm. R. Buskirk, convicted of manslaughter, goes up for four years. A. B. Spencer, convicted of larceny, for one year. Frank Forey and George B. Brown, for the same offence, go up for one year each.

The Horse Sale.—The horse sale of Mr. Samuel Powers, which took place at his residence Thursday, was quite well attended, and including sucking colts thirty-five head were sold. The sales aggregated \$3007. The animals sold were mostly mares with colts, and colts from one to three years old. Several stock dealers from abroad were in attendance, and the impression seems to be that the stock sold rather low.

Corn in Whitmore.—We learn from Whitmore township that many fields of corn have been under water for the last ten days, and that some little time must elapse before cultivating can be done to good advantage. Other fields upon higher ground are looking well, and with favorable weather during the balance of the season it is thought that the town, as a whole, will turn out an average corn crop.

From Friday's Daily.

Monthly Meeting.—The Savings Fund Building and Loan Association held its regular monthly meeting at the court house last evening. The following loans were made at the premiums indicated:

\$200 at 34 per cent. 200 at 33 per cent. 400 at 21 per cent. 600 at 30 per cent. 1,000 at 29 per cent. 100 at 28 1/2 per cent. 100 at 28 per cent. 100 at 26 per cent. Total amount loaned, \$2700; total premiums, \$810.50.

From Friday's Daily.

Adjudged Insane.—Yesterday afternoon, in Judge Greer's court, a colored man by the name of Henderson Fleet was adjudged insane and sent to Jacksonville. Fleet has been vacillating between sanity and insanity for several months, and was before the court once before, at which time he was discharged. Since then indications of insanity have become more pronounced, and it was very clear yesterday that his mind was unbalanced.

Attacked by a Snake.—Some days ago a bullock in the pasture of Michael Elson, Esq., just east of town, was attacked by a large black snake, which fastened itself upon the nose of the steer while the latter was grazing. The animal was terribly frightened, and thrashed the serpent about by tossing his head until his snakeship was satisfied to let go. The steer, strange to say, was not injured.

Domestic Paper Fashions, the best patterns in America, sold at M. Goldberg's. Catalogues free. May 2 dw1f

In the month of April last the writer of this paragraph, while watching the proceedings of the House of Representatives at Washington, asked one of the most experienced and influential of the Republican members of the Michigan delegation, "Who is the ablest man on the floor?" The answer was, "In the points of sound and clear judgment, of personal influence with his fellow-members, of weight in shaping legislation, and of the possession of the absolute confidence of his colleagues, Wheeler is the strongest man in this House." Within three hours afterward one of the Democratic members from this state, in the course of a chatty conversation, declared that for fairness, ability and individual influence he knew of no superior to Wheeler on the floor.—Detroit Tribune.

THE PICNIC AND FESTIVAL.

The picnic held at the fair ground yesterday, under the auspices of the colored Masonic Lodge of this city, drew a large crowd of people, and was in all respects a success. A goodly number of white people went out, and were well pleased with the affair.

The shower that came up about four o'clock hurried people away from the grounds rather sooner than they would have left had the weather continued fair.

About seven o'clock the Mattoon band commenced to discourse fine music at the foot of the stairs leading to Powers' Hall, where the festival, held under the auspices of the same parties, was to come off. By 8 o'clock the hall was well filled and the festivities of the evening were well under way.

There was an abundance of refreshments, gotten up in fine style, and served in the best of taste.

About ten o'clock the installment of the officers of the Grand Lodge took place, and occupied the time until nearly midnight.

Everybody in attendance seemed to be in the happiest possible mood, and the affair from beginning to end was a grand success.

The gentlemen and ladies from abroad, who were here as visitors, were subjects of most favorable comment from our citizens, as to their appearance and bearing, and it is no disparagement to other people, or to any previous gatherings of either black or white folks, to say that this was equal to any of them.

Below we give the names of the officers of the Grand Lodge, elected during the session here, and installed last evening:

Most Worshipful B. F. Rogers, of Springfield, Grand Master. Right Worshipful J. J. Bird, of Cairo, Deputy Grand Master.

Right Worshipful R. E. Moore, of Chicago, Senior Grand Warden. Right Worshipful J. H. Washington, of Galesburg, Junior Grand Warden.

Right Worshipful J. S. D. Lee, of Springfield, Grand Treasurer. Right Worshipful James H. Kelley, of Alton, Grand Secretary.

Right Worshipful Isaac H. Kelley, of Alton, Grand Tyler.

From Saturday's Daily.

The Fire Last Night.—The tap of the fire bell last evening soon after 8 o'clock put everybody upon the lookout for a fire, and people soon discovered smoke arising in the vicinity of the depot. In that direction hundreds of people flocked, and found upon their arrival that the building near the round-house of the Toledo, Wabash & Western Railway, used by the company for a blacksmith and repair shop and store room, was on fire. The firemen were promptly on hand, but the distance of the nearest water-pipe was so great that it required the hose of all the companies to reach the burning building, and before water could be thrown the flames had a good start, and then, as only one stream could be thrown, the fire did its work in the complete destruction of the building and most of its contents. The building contained quite a quantity of tools, belonging to the workmen, and considerable stock of different kinds, belonging to the company. The entire loss will aggregate from two to three thousand dollars. We are not advised as to whether or not there is any insurance on the property destroyed. As there had been no fire in the building during the day, it is thought that the building was fired by an incendiary. Had the wind been blowing from the east the round-house would have been damaged if not destroyed.

For some time the city has been trying to negotiate with this railroad company to furnish them water at a very low figure, but thus far has failed. Now it may be well for the company to consider that had it not been for the water works their loss would have been much heavier than it was.

The water for extinguishing the fire last night was taken from a water works plug nearly a thousand feet distant from it, which caused the firemen to work at a great disadvantage, as all the hose was required to cover the distance, so that only one stream could be thrown, and yet the adjacent buildings were saved.

Now if the company had a plug at the round-house for supplying their engines they would not only find it to be a great convenience but a protection in case of fire, and we think the company would be consulting its own interest to take water of the city.

Baled Hay.—A car load of baled hay, just received and for sale at Caldwell Bro's Livery Stable, on West Main street. June 20 dtf

"J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician."

From Friday's Daily.

That's the way he signs his name to a communication in this morning's Times. The subject matter of the communication in question we do not propose to meddle with, and would pay no attention to it whatever, were it not for the following post-script which "J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician," appends to his letter.

"The above communication was written for the REPUBLICAN, but for some reason unknown to me they refused to permit it to appear. After allowing an attack to be made upon me through their columns, they should have published my answer."

We are willing to admit, here and now, that "J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician," is a good deal more shrewd as a business man than we had given him credit for. His communication was declined yesterday for two reasons: First, because there had been no attack upon him through our columns, and therefore it was unfair to allow him space for the purpose of attacking every estimable physician of the city; and second, because his communication was in the nature of an advertisement of himself and his wonderful professional knowledge, for the publication of which he ought to be willing to pay, like other men who use printer's ink for the purpose of "blowing" their merits. As before stated, we are willing to admit that "J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician," is a sharper business man than we had taken him for, and the reason for this conclusion lies in the fact that after we had declined to give him the desired gratuitous puff, he so "doctored" his communication to the Times as to compel us to donate a little advertising. We are always willing to "mess up" when fairly beaten, and therefore we take pleasure in announcing, and we make bold to do so without fear of successful contradiction, that there is in Decatur a man who writes his name "J. Stebbins King," that he seldom writes it without appending thereto the titular "M. D.," and that he is "County Physician," by the grace of the honorable board of supervisors of Macon county. Further than this dependent saith not.

Trusting that this last installment of gratuitous advertising will, in addition to the numerous installments previously given through our columns, be pleasing unto the subject thereof, we will for the present bow ourselves out of the presence of "J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician."

DAVIS' NURSERIES.

Has now ready for spring delivery 200,000 Apple Trees, 10,000 Evergreens, 20,000 Shade Trees; also, hundreds of Cherry, Pear, Peach and Plum Trees, Grape Roots, &c. Order at once. Anything in the nursery line—will set and insure this spring, if wanted. Prices and catalogues on application to

H. W. DAVIS, Box 141, Decatur, Ill.

I have also for sale at my Nurseries, eggs for hatching, fresh and genuine, from select birds, of the following breeds: Buff, Cochon, Black Cochon, Partridge Cochon, Light Brahma, Dark Brahma, Plymouth Rocks and Houdans.

Also, the best WATER ELEVATOR known; draws with two buckets. Throw out your pumps and draw off the surface water and preserve your health. Prices and description on application to H. W. DAVIS, Decatur, Ill. Feb. 15-dw1f

MARRIED.

At the residence of the officiating clergyman, in this city, on the evening of the 20th, by Rev. L. Field, Mr. AMOS HESSER and Miss LAURA DILLER, all of this city.

"For Reasons Unknown to Me."—When "J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician," says that we refused to publish his letter for reasons unknown to him, he uses the truth with the most parsimonious economy. The reasons for declining to publish his puff were given him, just as they are stated elsewhere in to-day's paper. Fortunately we have evidence of this fact, and we are of the opinion also that our statement to this effect will not be denied even by "J. Stebbins King, M. D., County Physician."

POETIC ENIGMA.

My first is in breakfast but not in ate, My second is in egg but not in date, My third is in tick but not in well, My fourth is in inch but not in ell, My fifth is in doe but not in deer, My sixth is in port but not in beer, My seventh is in sorrow but not in grief, My eighth is in plant but not in leaf, My ninth is in strong but not in weak, My tenth is in yell but not in shriek. My whole is a well known firm in Decatur, where they sell all kinds of Household Goods, Wall-paper, Carpets, &c., at a very low price. Call and see.

The above enigma was gotten up by a girl only ten years old. [24-dw1f]

Improvements.—A new brick walk is being laid along the west side of Armstrong's drug store, and is to be brought around the corner and extended down to the stone walk in front of the West-end tea store. A new walk is also being laid on the south side of Jack's grocery store.