

# Republican Progress

The Official Republican Paper of Monroe County.

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If this paper pleases you tell others—if not—tell us.

## EDITORIAL.

PATRONIZE home industries.

AND the "dry plant" still stands.

THE Dry Plant is still a source of annoyance and a breeder of smells and profanity about the square.

THE PROGRESS is glad to note another business enterprise has begun operations in Bloomington. We refer to the Reed steam laundry, and now that we have two such excellent establishments, is there need to send your dirty linen out of town.

The jury in the Ancil Adams case against the Western Union Telegraph Company for damages for failure to deliver a message, returned a verdict this morning, after an all night deliberation assessing the damages at \$700. They also returned a special finding of answers to interrogatories submitted by the counsel in the case. Adams alleged that a telegram was sent him from a Missouri town and the company failed to deliver it. He sued for \$1,500 and was represented by Henley and Wilson.

WE have not heard of the decision of Miller & Hadley to stake their professional reputation on the libel suit they have brought against our weekly paper. We sincerely hope they will do this, and put forth their best efforts to win, because there is more at stake than the money consideration named. If our statement was false we have seriously maligned the city and its people, if not, there is something radically wrong with the administration that allowed such a place to continue. The trial will determine which is right, and we look for justice being meted out without fear or favor, and the responsibility placed where it belongs.

We have been served with summons to appear in court, and give cause why we should not contribute the small sum of \$5,000 because of telling this truth. Our position has been repeatedly stated, and we court a trial on the merits of the case. In fact, we demand a trial, and a trial must now be given the case, because of the broad notoriety given it. It will settle the question of our veracity. Either the Republican Progress, lied, told and published a deliberate malicious falsehood, or told the truth and will be vindicated. We are ready and willing to appear in court on this issue. We hope the firm of attorneys who are pushing the case will stake their professional reputation on it as we are ready to stake our reputation for truth and honesty. We thank the many citizens who have voluntarily offered their services

matter and look for good. The battle made in this is an earnest that no more falls like Norman's place can run in this city, because the moral standing of the community depends to a greater or less degree upon the outcome of the trial. More anon.

Alexander Stout has sold 11 acres of timber land in Bloomington township to the Showers Brothers Company, \$1,500.

# LION COFFEE

Used in Millions of Homes!

Accept no substitute!

Insist on LION COFFEE, in 1 lb. pkgs.

These articles mailed FREE in exchange for lion heads cut from front of 1 lb. LION COFFEE pkgs.

Silk Umbrella (either Lady's or Gents).

Sent by express (charges pre-paid), for 170 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.



A very fine umbrella, made of union silk-taffeta; 26-inch frame with seven ribs; steel rod and silver Congo handle. Would cost \$2.00 at the store.

Dress-Pin Set.



Mailed free for 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Three pins in the set (larger than shown), composed of fine rolled gold, with handles in two-colored set, three. Suitable for waist-pins, cuff-pins, neck-pins or as a child's set.

Given for 175 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Neat appearing and an excellent time-keeper. Solid nickel-silver case with ornamental back. Nickel movements, escapement fully jewels. The famous "Knickerbocker" watch.

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