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What is Called  
S. L. Dwight, writing in the  
field Republican, says: I was  
raised in Jefferson county,  
and grew to manhood in the  
my grandfather, Gov. Z. Casey  
the early prominent men in  
Illinois. He came to Jefferson  
(which is a part of southern Illinois,  
1816, while Illinois was yet a territory.  
Gov. Casey was at one time lieutenant  
governor of the state, for a number of  
years a member of congress from Illi-  
nois, and held other important posi-  
tions. He was fully identified with the  
state and the people up to the time of  
his death, which occurred in 1852. I  
mention these facts to show you that I  
know whereof I speak. Gov. Casey  
often explained to me in my childhood  
why southern Illinois was called  
"Egypt," and it was this: About the  
year 1845 (I am not certain as to exact  
year), there was throughout northern  
and central Illinois a great scarcity of  
corn, while all through southern Illinois  
there was a very great abundance; as a  
consequence, the following fall and win-  
ter great numbers came down into  
"Egypt" (as in ancient times the people  
went down into ancient Egypt for a  
like purpose) to buy and carry back  
corn to supply the wants of the people  
in that part of the state where the corn  
crop for that year had been a total fail-  
ure. The chief product of the state at  
that time was corn; but little else was  
cultivated. It was the staple article of  
food, both for man and beast. And  
thus southern Illinois came to be called  
"Egypt." The "thick darkness" and  
the extreme ignorance never did exist  
here.

### How Turkey Has Lost Territory.

The Morse Freeman gives the following summary of the territorial losses of Turkey during the last two centuries: Since the capture of Constantinople in 1453 they had gradually seized the whole of the Balkan peninsula, excepting Montenegro, the Peloponnese, the northern shore of the Black sea, and the Sea of Azov. In 1774 the Ottoman empire possessed more territory in Europe than any other power except Russia, her possessions extending westward to the Adriatic and the Danube, and eastward to the Dnieper, the Dniester, the Don, and the Kuban. Thus Bessarabia, the Crimea, and other Moscovian regions were under the dominion of the Turks, whose possessions on the continent of Europe covered an area of 15,454 square miles. But from this period the decadence of Turkey commenced, and, with the exception of her temporary success against Austria in 1775, she went on losing territory to such an extent that upon the outbreak of war with Russia she had only 4,819 square miles of territory, of which 2,948 miles were governed by Russia who merely owed her suzerainty to the Berlin treaty deprived her of 1,870 miles, so that from 1700 to 1877 she had lost 10,585 square miles, out of which 4,819 square miles were conquered by Russia, while 5,766 square miles were lost to Austria and Prussia.