

OSCAR L. DUDLEY.



THE features represented in this cut will be recognized by a large number of citizens of Chicago, as being those of the long-tried and well-known agent of the Illinois Humane Society, Mr. O. L. Dudley; and we doubt not that a sketch of his life will be interesting to a very large number of our readers.

Mr. Dudley is a native of Vermont. Coming West at the age of 16 years, he located in Wisconsin, and a year afterwards entered the army, serving during the war in the 16th Wisconsin Regiment and 10th Minnesota, remaining in active duty three years. After leaving the army he educated himself for a teacher in a commercial college, and, in 1866, established such a college in Jefferson City, Missouri. From there he went to Minneapolis, Minnesota, and in 1867 established the Minneapolis Business College, at which time the publisher of *THE HUMANE JOURNAL* made his acquaintance. In 1873, on account of failing health, he sought a change of climate and came to Chicago. Here he became interested in the work of the Illinois Humane Society, and, in June, 1877, connected himself with the work, as the Society's Agent, which position he holds at the present time.

In person Mr. Dudley is above the medium height, with hazel eyes and brown hair and beard, which as yet scarcely show a line of silver. In disposition he is genial and humorous, and, among his familiar friends, carries little of that sternness which