



The week in society has been quiet. The wedding of Mr. B. G. Dawes and Miss Bertie Burr, which occurred Wednesday at the First Presbyterian church, served to break the monotony. This was a quiet church wedding, but was unusually pretty. The church was completely filled with friends of the contracting parties.

Miss Mary Shears returned Saturday from a visit in Omaha.

Albert K. Andriano, of Omaha, spent Sunday in this city.

Mrs. Sarah Harris returned Saturday from Chelsea, Vt.

Miss Mame Carson, who has been ill, has regained her customary health.

A number of Lincoln people have announced their intention of going to Omaha next week to see Julia Marlowe.

Mrs. D. D. Muir, of Denver, who spent several weeks in this city, has returned home.

Mr. C. A. Howe, Mr. Matt Baldwin, Miss Mame Carson, and Miss Olive Latta occupied a box at the Lansing theatre Monday night, when Robert Downing appeared in "The Gladiator."

Miss May Moore, Miss Lucy Griffith, Mr. Oliver Lansing and Mr. Pratt occupied a box at the Lansing theatre, Monday night.

Miss Maude Oakley left this week for New York, where she will study music.

Miss Grace Griffith has gone to Chicago for an extended visit.

Gen. R. R. Dawes and daughter, Miss Mary Dawes, of Marietta, Ohio, attended the Dawes-Burr wedding this week. Miss Dawes will remain in this city some time.

W. W. Mills and Rufus C. Dawes, of Mariette, Ohio, were in the city this week to attend the Dawes-Burr wedding.

G. C. Williams, the new instructor in elocution at the conservatory of music, gave a recital at the conservatory last evening. He was assisted by Mrs. Gray, soprano, and Miss Davis, violinist.

The student's weekly concerts at the conservatory of music will begin Monday evening.

Two or three weddings are due before January 1.

The ladies auxiliary to the home for the friendless at a meeting held Tuesday afternoon elected the following officers: President, Mrs. A. B. Philpot; vice-president, Mrs. W. J. Cooper; second vice-president, Mrs. E. T. Huff; secretary, Mrs. C. W. Hoxie; treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Fullerton; chairman of the executive committee, Mrs. E. T. Huff.

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Ernest R. Holmes returned to Lincoln this week after an absence of sixteen months, the greater portion of which time was spent in Europe cycling. Mr. Holmes will resume his former position on the *State Journal* after a brief visit with his parents at Kearney.

Web Eaton has returned from Duluth and West Superior, Minn.

H. B. Hicks has returned from a pleasant eastern trip.

Mrs. Consul Baker and daughter, Miss Baker, of Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, have arrived in Lincoln, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis Baker, South Twenty-sixth street.

The first recital of the Ladies' Musical Matinee club was held Wednesday afternoon at Curtice's music hall.

Tuesday evening the Fifth anniversary of the opening of the conservatory of music will be celebrated, at the conservatory, with appropriate exercises. There will be a reception at 8 o'clock, followed by a program consisting of short addresses by those who assisted at the formal opening. There will be music by the orchestra, etc.

Mrs. A. B. Crofforth is visiting Mrs. J. F. Barnard at Omaha.

J. W. Bowen has returned from Ottumwa, Ia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ecker are in St. Louis attending the fair.

Hon. G. G. Wright, of Des Moines, is visiting A. B. Baker.

The Patriarchs and the Empire and Pleasant Hour clubs will lead the dancing elements of society this year as usual.

The Round Table will enter upon the season's work next week.

A correspondent of THE COURIER now resident in a distant city in an interesting letter on some of the social aspects of Lincoln says: "Lincoln is at once the most social and unsocial city of its size that I know. Society people in Lincoln are suspicious of strangers, who may not come properly introduced; and that suspicion may become frigidity if the person makes an unaided attempt to get into society; but those who have the advantage of a proper introduction, or who are fortunate enough to have friends who move in society, are accepted most hospitably and 'no questions asked.' One thing I noticed particularly in a several years' residence in Lincoln was that society liked to make its own selections. Those who made no effort to get in were often gladly taken up, while those who devoted themselves to an effort to secure admission never achieved their purpose. Lincoln makes no pretence. There is no emulation of Chicago or New York—something that one cannot say of Omaha society, for instance; but there is a vast amount of wholesome good will and proper sociability, and in Lincoln one's place in the social scale is not in any way gauged or measured by the amount of one's money. The most popular people in Lincoln are not, as a rule, those who have the most money."

AT THE PLAY.

The play was on; my lady entered late;
Armed at all points she slowly paced the aisle.
(She has each charm which can my heart beguile;
Vain to resist, resistless, she, as Fat^a.)
Upon her breast clung clustering orchids rare.
While rippling lengths of dusky, perfumed hair
Lent its sweet fragrance to the amorous air.
Long, curving lashes veiled the violet eyes
That flashed at me a glance of swift surprise;
As if my lady but that instant knew
The slave who wears her chains was waiting there.
Again drooped lashes hid the heavenly hue;
Yet, though the curtained eyes grew dark as night,
They answered mine—and all the world was light.