

"Notwithstanding popular belief to the contrary, I have always maintained that Brooklyn is progressive remarks 'The Saunterer' in Town Topics. In no other city do women submit their gowns to their physicians before wearing them, or require their dressmakers to have their stays electro-plated with material that will not rust. In fact Brooklyn is at least ten years in advance of other cities, and it is therefore not surprising to read in such a reliable paper as the *Herald* that the women over there wear knickerbockers while attending to household duties and pants while riding bicycles. Bloomers, it seems, belong to a past and forgotten age in the City of Churches. They were worn for a time, of course, but the width of the bifarious extensions was gradually reduced until learned linguists declared they were pants, and now bloomers are seen only in the Polytechnic Institute Museum and the Gallery of Antiquities, where specimens are on exhibition in glass cases, along with silver buckles and false calves worn by men during the Colonial period. The evolution of bloomers into pants was, of course, not entirely unexpected, but the wearing of knickerbockers as home attire is a decided innovation, and, as such, decides the superiority of femininity across the bridge. Truly, Brooklyn women lead the world and the Civitas Club is entitled to the place of honor as the advance guard in front of the brass band."

Gen. Thayer leaves on Monday next for Hot Springs, S. D., to deliver two addresses before the Black Hills Chautauqua.

Gen. Thayer will deliver his lecture, "The Iconoclasts," in St. Paul Methodist Episcopal church tomorrow evening the 8th inst. Dr. Lasby, the pastor, is at Hot Springs, South Dakota.

Mr. W. F. Meyer left Friday for Colorado, where he will spend a couple of weeks.

Mrs. R. H. Oakley, Miss Maude and Master Owen will leave next week for a summer outing in Colorado.

A large number of Lincoln people have been at Crete during the past week. Several parties will remain over Sunday. Among those on the Fourth were Mesdames Welch, Griffith, Hardy, Clem Hardy, Newman, Underwood, Jones, Harley, Helmer, Heaton, Secrest, Marshall, Smith, Elliott, Sewell, Moore and Whedon; Misses Georgie Camp, Dora Harley, Ada Heaton, Maud Shaw, Lizzie Weston, Katherine Weston, Mary Thiel, Dora Hardy, Libbie Secrest, Agnes Sewell, Jeanette Underwood, and Mary Louise Underwood; Messrs. Ray, Welch and Emoy Hardy.

Miss Bertie Clark went to Crete yesterday to remain until the close of the assembly.

THE COURIER man was struck with the nice line of watches he saw on looking over Mr. E. Hallett's stock. Upon inquiry he obtained the following information from Mr. Hallett: "The price of watches has changed so in the last year or two that the customer must exercise a great deal of care in selecting a place to buy. Those who have old stock on hand, cannot, without a great loss to themselves, sell goods at the prices we who have an entirely new stock can. We auctioned off all our old goods before moving, and, although they were sold at a sacrifice, we have the satisfaction of knowing that we now have as clean, new and complete a stock of jewelry and watches as can be found anywhere.

"The price has been reduced so that you can now buy a good solid silver case with standard movement for \$12, and a gold one for \$20."

"What movement sells best?" was asked. "Why, the American made watches. People have found out that a watch made here costs less, will serve the purpose just as well and costs less for repairs than the imported ones. Yes, we sell ten American watches to one of the imported.

"It used to be thought that a watch made in a foreign country was far superior to the ones made here, but they are changing their notions rapidly—it's a saving to them and they are beginning to see it.

"So the next time you buy a watch, find out how long the jeweler has had it; by so doing you will know whether the price is right or not."

A party composed of Misses Lucy Griffith, Nellie White, Marie Marshall, Jeanette Wilson and Mary Miller; Messrs. Matt Baldwin, John Dorgan, Lew Marshall, Will Johnson and Clough enjoyed a sail at the lake on Monday evening; on their return to the city the party went to Sutton & Hollowbush's and had refreshments.

Miss Grace Ramsay left Thursday for New York city, Asbury Park, Washington and Pittsburg. Before returning she will visit her old home in northern New Hampshire.

Frank Kitchen was severely bitten by a dog on Tuesday.

Mrs. Ed Baum, of Omaha, attended the Burr reception.

A. Koch Andriano, of Omaha, was in town this week.

A large number of Lincoln people will go down to Crete this afternoon to spend Sunday.

Miss Mary Jones returned Monday from Beatrice, where she was the guest of the Misses Weston.

Miss Shears has returned from Omaha.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Burr was brilliantly illuminated on Thursday evening the occasion being a reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lionel Burr.

The house was beautifully decorated with palms, roses and carnations, and pretty colored shades added much to the appearance of the rooms. Mr. and Mrs. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Burr, Misses Burr, Norman and McDonald received in the drawing room. Mrs. Chas. Burr wore her wedding gown of white silk mulle over white satin. Miss Burr wore a dainty creation of white mulle and pink silk. Miss Norman's gown was of pink flowered organdie. Miss McDonald was becomingly attired in light blue dotted swiss over blue satin. In the drawing room were Misses Maud Burr, Miss Bertie Burr and Mame Carson serving ice, and in the library Miss Grace Burr and Miss Jessie Leland served punch.

The large rooms were filled, about 300 being present and all the evening a stream of carriages lined H street.

Society—at least the women part of it turned out in full force and in a radiance of swell new gowns and bonnets. The Tuxedo mandolin club was stationed on the east porch and the sweet strains of music floated through the rooms.

The reception was without doubt one of the most brilliant and enjoyable events that has occurred in the city for many months.

IN OMAHA.

Bishop and Mrs. Worthington are spending the early part of the summer at Passaconay Inn, York Cliff, Maine. Mr. George Worthington will shortly leave Omaha to join them at that beautiful seaside resort.

Mrs. and Miss Balche returned from Chicago early this week.

Mr. Frank Murphy and Mr. Geo. E. Prichett are expected home from the east today.

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