

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Amsterdam (N. Y.) Daily Democrat, under date of July 14, thus refers to well-known residents of Lincoln: "Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Yates and son, Willard, of Lincoln, Neb., are visiting Mrs. Lucy McDonnell of this city, who is a cousin of Mrs. Yate. Mr. Yates is superintendent of telegraph of the Burlington and Missouri division of the C., B. & Q. railroad, and is one of Lincoln's foremost citizens. He is a son of the late Perry Yates, who was a well-known merchant of Fonda. For about ten years previous to 1863 he held the positions of telegraph operator, freight clerk and ticket agent for the Central-Hudson railroad at Fonda, and many of the residents of the valley have very pleasant recollections of him and his wife. In company with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mills of Fonda, Mr. and Mrs. Yates and son have been sojourning at Ocean Grove, and also at West Point, where their son, Halsey E. Yates, is a cadet. After leaving Amsterdam they will visit Mrs. Nettie Van Evera and Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Cross at Fultonville, Mr. and Mrs. Mills at Fonda, and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Van Heusen at Johnston. Mr. Van Heusen is a brother of Mrs. Yates. Although Mr. Yates is a republican, he is much pleased over the nomination of his friend and fellow-townsmen, William J. Bryan, for president on the democratic ticket, and considers it a great compliment to his city, as well as to the whole state of Nebraska. He says that personally, socially and morally Mr. Bryan is a peer among men. He is a lawyer in good standing. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are members of the First Presbyterian church in Lincoln, and have always taken an active part in church work. Mr. Bryan was a teacher in and superintendent of the Sunday school long before he had anything to do with politics. Mr. Yates' son, Halsey, and his nephew, Mr. Charles Ludwig, of Ash Fork, Ariz., were for several years among Mr. Bryan's scholars. Mr. Bryan's political friends claim that as a representative in congress, he has exhibited high qualities as an orator and has made Nebraska better known throughout the union, besides giving a considerable impetus to the cause of free trade and free silver.

Mr. Yates says that business in the west, as in the east, is very quiet, and nobody appears to be making any money, while all complain of hard times. Very large crops of corn, oats and wheat are promised. More attention is being paid to the growing of alfalfa than ever before, and it appears to be the coming product in the state. Three crops of it are raised yearly, and it makes highly satisfactory feed for cattle and hogs, especially for the latter, as they run no risk in getting the cholera when they are fed upon it. The farmers as a class are pitching in and working hard, and it is their intention to bring the Golden Rod state to the front without any unnecessary delay. Those who have left Nebraska seeking a promised land elsewhere have failed to find it, as a rule, and are returning as rapidly as possible, being thoroughly convinced that "there is no place like home."

J. H. Mockett left Tuesday for Milwaukee, Wis.
 F. C. Grable and party were in town Tuesday, en route from Edgemont, S. D. to Omaha.
 Mrs. Clara B. Colby, of Beatrice, was in the city Tuesday en route to the Long Pine chautauqua, where she will be one of the speakers July 22.
 Ladies of Holy Trinity church served refreshments on the capitol grounds during the Bryan reception last evening.
 La Veta Whist club of East Lincoln, had an enjoyable picnic at Lincoln

park this week.
 W. A. and E. B. Green left Monday for their old home, Freeport, Ill. Summoned hither by the illness of their father.
 J. H. Ager and family will spend the summer in Portage, Wis.
 Dr. H. J. Winnett and Fred Miller left Monday for Mexico.
 Mrs. A. G. Hastings left Monday for Westfield, Mass., where she will spend the summer with relatives.
 Mr. and Mrs. James P. Maule and family are in Hot Springs, S. D.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wheeler have gone to Spirit Lake, Iowa.
 Mrs. M. B. Reese has gone to Emporia, Kansas.
 Mrs. John B. Wright entertained a number of ladies at her home last Friday afternoon.
 The ladies of the P. E. O. had an outing at Lincoln park Friday evening of last week.
 A. R. Talbot left last Saturday night for Chicago to see his partner W. J. Bryan.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bryan returned to this city yesterday after a pleasant visit in Chicago, Salem and other places. Mr. Bryan states no visit of the same length ever did him so much good or was so entirely satisfactory.
 J. E. Markell and son Pryor of Omaha, were in the city Wednesday. They were interested in securing the location of the republican headquarters in Omaha.
 John C. Wharton, of Omaha, was in town this week.
 Mrs. Clark, Miss Harris, Miss Bertie Clark, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Welch and a large number of Lincoln people returned from Crete this week.
 Miss Anna Gates, of Auburn, is the guest of Mrs. E. Royce.
 Mr. and Mrs. John T. Dorgan returned Wednesday from Denver.
 W. W. Wilson returned Saturday from Chicago.
 Dr. Sabin has gone to Evanston, Ill.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Wallace, of San Jose, Cal., are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Victor.
 Miss Corinth Crook has resigned her position as professor of modern languages in the Nebraska Wesleyan university.
 Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Mohrenstecker have arrived safely in Hamburg, Germany. Mr. Mohrenstecker is reported as much improved in health. He will take treatment at Carlsbad.
 Myron Wheeler has had another bicycle accident. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler have gone to Mackinac. They will go on to Boston and return to Mackinac for the summer.
 Mrs. J. A. Lippincott left Wednesday for Woonsocket, S. D., in response to a telegram announcing the death of her sister.
 A. H. Armstrong of Cedar Rapids, Ia., has succeeded Fred Herman in the management of Browning, King & Co's store. Mr. Herman will devote himself to his own business.
 Fred Woodward is in Colorado.
 The members of Company I, N. N. G., tendered a reception to Captain W. M. Decker, who retires to become major, Wednesday night at the Kimball hotel.
 J. H. McMurtry has sold a one-half interest in the McMurtry block to Theo. Stamicis, of Chicago, for \$30,000.
 Dr. Cotter returned Wednesday from Crete. Miss Grace Cotter returned the same day from Hickman.
 Miss Beanie Osborn's eleventh birthday anniversary was celebrated Wednesday evening at the residence of W. F. Osborn, 510 south Eleventh street. The following were present: Emma

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