

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to send in their favors as early as possible, not later than four o'clock Friday afternoon, as the Courier goes to press that evening.

Useful Presents

- SMOKING JACKETS, TRAVELING BAGS, SILK UMBRELLAS, SILK MUFLERS, NIGHT ROBES, KID GLOVES AND MITTENS, SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, NECKTIES, SEAL CAPS, SEAL GLOVES.

An Inspection Solicited.

W. R. Dennis 1137 O Street.

How do you like this for a Christmas issue? Mr. J. R. Lemist will spend Christmas with his relatives in Atchison.

Miss Fannie Newman is visiting in Chicago, where she expects to pass the holiday season.

Judging from the manner in which expensive Christmas gifts are being bought, times are not so hard after all.

All sorts of Candies, Mixed, Sticks, Drops, Caramels, Bonbons and a dozen other kinds, fresh and nice at the candy kitchen 142 south Eleventh St.

Hallett, the Jeweler, Saturday sold to a prominent business man of this city a magnificent diamond brooch, costing \$225.

Gowes candy kitchen is as usual well supplied for the Christmas trade.

The Misses Fannie and Lucy Trumble have returned to spend the holidays at their homes, the former in Ottawa, Ill., and the other to Valdes, Iowa.

Miss Berta McBride is at home for the holidays, and expects to remain in Lincoln under the parental roof.

Henry Newman is again at home from New York. When arriving he felt much better than for a long time past but the return home seemed to have recalled illness and the gentleman is now sick at the residence of his parents on L street.

With the advent of New Year Leon Elafeld, who has been connected with the Globe clothing for some time, will leave Lincoln, going to Burlington, Iowa, where he will assume charge of his father's store.

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The subject relative to the purchase of Christmas presents is just now the predominant topic of conversation in social circles.

"What shall I buy for Lubby?" says the loving wife, "what shall I buy for my own dear George?" chimes the fair sweetheart.

The mother wonders what to get for her sons, her brothers and others, and thus are all hands anxious to know what would be suitable, and it was for the purpose of ascertaining how and where the most desirable presents could be obtained, that we called on Mr. W. R. Dennis, in the opera house block, for information.

Here we saw an array of holiday goods from which any lady in the land could easily make a selection.

We noticed silk and cashmere mufflers in as many colors and quantities as were shown in Joseph's coat, and in silk and linen handkerchiefs, he shows a line that fairly tempted the hands of the scribe.

Then, in another showcase was arranged an elegant line of gents neckwear, put up in fancy boxes not for the occasion. This line, embracing the finest of scarfs, cravats, ties, four-in-hand, and other popular styles for adornment, has been selected with particular care for the holiday season.

While feasting our optics on this gay display Mr. Dennis said, "Here is something," pointing to a silk umbrella, "that makes a most elegant present for either lady or gentleman, and we have them at all prices, and with gold or silver handles. In buying an umbrella you do not need to worry about the weather, it will fit, suit the complexion, etc." and in looking at a fine case on the west side of the store we were shown the hat case containing those noble Dunlop hats.

Now if our married lady friends want something that would surely please their liege lords, there can certainly be nothing that would be more pleasantly received than a silk Dunlop, or a gold headed silk umbrella.

Then if this does not suit your taste as being suitable, look at those handsome smoking accoutrements, made of Japanese silk, or cashmere, handsomely embroidered.

If you cannot select anything from this varied line of goods, you might please any gentleman with an alligator traveling bag, a seal skin cap, a collar and cuff outfit, silk underwear, or some one of the dozens of other appropriate articles that Dennis can show you.

There is one thing certain and that is buying useful things for presents is rapidly taking the place of the articles that do the recipient but little good and cost much. In buying anything from Mr. Dennis the recipient gets something useful as well as ornamental, and at the same time suits positively less money.

MEDITATIVE MUSINGS.

ITEMS IMAGINATIVE AND OTHERWISE.

Intended to Tickle the Fancies or to Induce Philosophical Discussion.

WELL, the National opera has come and gone, and the anxiety over whether it will come or act has been disposed of. It must generally be conceded that the performance in its entirety was by many odds the finest we have ever had in Lincoln, notwithstanding that Fursch-Madi and one or two others were not in the opera.

I was pleased at the Lohengrin performance Thursday night, that Lincoln's social leaders turn out en masse in full evening dress. There must have been over a hundred ladies in the fashionable costume and the scene was in itself a pretty one to behold and demonstrated clearly that the capital city, like its more metropolitan neighbors, is equal to all fashionable occasions.

The Observer was standing in the police court room one morning this week when he was told by a friend, a very good joke on Councilman Dean. It appears that a few days since a seedy looking individual approached the Lincoln councilman and struck him for a loan.

The Metropolitan Ball.

The first of the winter series of dancing parties to be given by the new Metropolitan club was given at Masonic Temple Tuesday evening, there being a large party present to enjoy the occasion.

It was not until after nine that dancing was commenced, and when the party had fairly entered into the exercises of the evening, there was noticeable, among the fifty couples present, about a dozen couples from abroad, namely Chicago, Omaha, Nebraska City, Kansas City and other cities.

At eleven o'clock a march was formed and after moving in a number of graceful figures, the folding doors were thrown open, disclosing an elegant spread, and the couples fled in, occupying two tables, the entire length of the room.

Of this portion of the entertainment much may be said. The tables were handsomely decorated and nicely arranged. Flowers and plants here and there added to the appearance of the array of delicious edibles, while the service was complete in every detail.

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Craigton College Musicals.

The musicale at Craigton college hall, Omaha, last Friday evening, was a very brilliant affair. The selections were from the works of the great masters, Liszt, Rubenstein, Handel and Rossini, and rapturously applauded.

The fourth and seventh numbers were piano solos from Liszt and Rubenstein. These were played by Miss May L. Potvin, a young lady well known in Lincoln musical and social circles.

\$300 in Cash Prizes.

This is the tempting offer made by a clothing house as a special inducement to their patrons to lay in their needs for the winter at once.

It is readily to be seen that by purchasing your clothing, gents furnishing goods or anything in their line of them, you have the opportunity of adding to your riches without paying for the chance or any extra outlay.

A Surprise Party.

Thursday evening about thirty friends of Mrs. C. F. Murray assembled at her residence, 1485 R street, and took possession of everything they had intended to surprise her, and they did so.

See to appreciate the fine Xmas goods at McArthur and Sons, Cor. 11th and N Sts.

A SPLENDID RECORD.

Something of the past and a few words for the future.

As the city of Lincoln grows and enlarges, so does its commercial enterprises increase in scope and strength, a statement that is true in its direct application to the Lincoln Hardware Co.

The Lincoln Hardware Co. do an immense retail business and have lately added a jobbing department enabling them to furnish to the trade a superior line of goods to select from and at prices entirely satisfactory.

An immense line of stoves, ranges and kitchen and house furnishing goods is carried, and everything useful towards making the home cheerful and attractive can be procured at any time.

The firm is agents for the well known "Acorn" stoves manufactured by Rathbone, Sord & Co., a stove that has stood the test of time and usage, and of which more are in use today than any other make.

The Lincoln Hardware Co. occupy several large rooms in the Webster block Nos. 230, 232 and 234 south Eleventh street, and a look over their immense stock will satisfy any one that they carry the largest and best assortment of hardware in the city.

The firm will enter on the new year with the brightest prospects for a long and prosperous business career, with ample resources reinforced by the recent addition to the firm, the finest trade in the city and managed by experienced business talent.

The gentlemen comprising the firm are young in years but ripe in experience, and the COURIER wishes and bespeaks for them the success they richly deserve.

Any one in search of presents, useful as well as ornamental, for Christmas time, can find a splendid assortment to select from, from a coffee pot to a Lard coal burner.

A Big Surprise.

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In Our New Office.

The COURIER is now nicely located in its new quarters in the basement of the new Burr block, corner O and Twelfth streets, and a cordial invitation is extended to all our patrons to call and see us.

Afternoon Musicals.

Thursday afternoon a very pleasant musicale was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Zehring by Prof. Walter D'Enyer and several others.

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Messrs. Will Pickett, George K. Brown, Hanson Gregg, Perry, Zehring Law, Bliss, Small, Badger, Gundry, Alger, Bartlett, and Charlie Slater.

Beautiful, Beautiful, Beau—I mean the Plush dressing cases at McArthur and Sons, Cor. 11th and N Sts.

My mind is wandering. I see—I see—Oh! those elegant card cases and pocket books at McArthur and Sons, Cor. 11th Sts.

It cures Croup, Whooping cough, Coughs, Colds and insipient consumption. Hoarhound Tar does that at McArthur and Sons, Cor. 11th and N Sts.

XMAS GIFTS

SHOULD BE USEFUL AS WELL AS BEAUTIFUL HENCE BUY SOME OF THE FOLLOWING.

- Black Silk or Satin, Colored Silk or Satin, Black Faille Francaise, Colored Faille Francaise.

Wool Combination Suits at Greatly Reduced Prices.

- Handkerchiefs and Mufflers, Ladies' Embroidered Aprons, Ladies Fine Silk Hosiery, Fur Sets, also Odd Muffs,

And hundreds of other equally useful articles. We are making special prices on our entire Cloak Stock. Store open evenings until after Christmas.

Ashby & Millspaugh, Double Store Under Opera House.

HOLIDAY GREETING.

R. O'NEILL,

117 North Tenth Street.

Appropriate Christmas Gifts.

Advertisement for diamonds with text: LARGEST STOCK, LOWEST PRICES, GREATEST BARGAINS, DIAMONDS.

WATCHES, : JEWELRY, : CLOCKS.

WE HAVE UNQUESTIONABLY THE FINEST STOCK OF

JEWELRY,

TO SELECT FROM IN THE CITY, AND CAN SHOW EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS AND UNIQUE DESIGNS IN

- Opera Glasses; Gold Headed Canes, Gold Pencils, Pens, Charms, Etc., Etc.

Compliments of the Season.

Advertisement for Huffmann & Richter Tailors, Lincoln, Neb. Merry Christmas, Happy New Year. 1887 New Burr Block after Feb. 1st, 1888.