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A CHANGE OF FIRM.
With this issue of the COURIER the undersigned steps down and out, having sold his interest to Mr. L. Wessel, Jr., senior member of the firm. Since my connection with the COURIER I have formed many warm friendships, both business and personal, and I am deeply grateful for the many favors and the liberal patronage extended the COURIER. In withdrawing I would present to the favor of the public and the patrons of the COURIER especially, my associate, Mr. Wessel, who will in the future have the entire management of both paper and job room, and I speak for him the same liberal patronage as bestowed on the firm of Wessel & Dobbins. With these few words, I make my adieux.
Yours, H. T. DOBBINS.

THE NEW MANAGEMENT.
With this issue, as above noted, the COURIER passes into the hands of its original owner, who started the paper in 1885. At that time it was but a small six-column, four page paper, but met with such a warm reception from the start that before it was a year old it was enlarged to its present size. With the beginning of its second year the firm of Wessel & Dobbins was formed, and a job plant added. Since that time a new dress has been procured and a complete new job printing office added to the plant until its present proportions were reached.

In once more assuming full control and ownership of the COURIER I do not feel as though it was a new undertaking, for past experience has taught much that will prove an important factor, both to the paper, its readers and myself. A number of new and prominent features, already under way, will be introduced in a short time, including a beautiful new head, especially designed and engraved for the COURIER, additional editorial force, new type, special New York and Washington correspondence of interest to the social fraternity and the better element of society in general. Further than this nothing will be promised, but it shall be my special aim to conduct the paper and the job office in a manner that will receive the approval of patrons.

For the past generous patronage I am duly grateful, and in the new order of business I trust all former ties of mercantile friendship will be continued. Very Truly,
L. WESSEL, JR.

It was a great fair. Ask Secretary Furnas if it wasn't.

ONLY 358 more days until the next Nebraska state fair opens.

OMAHA has at last given over all pretensions to winning first place in the Western Association. The bright and bustling little city of Des Moines will float the pennant for a year to come.

GOVERNOR FURNAS has so often proven himself to be the right man in the right place that I presume it sounds rather chestnutty to say it, but Mr. Furnas's excellent management this year was the prime factor of its success.

THE Siege of Sebastopol was the great attraction at the Omaha fair, and is undoubtedly something which everyone should visit. Were it not for that, however, it is said, the Omaha exposition would have been a vast and dismal failure.

MR. M. G. PERKINS, the gentlemanly manager of the American Press Association at Omaha, is receiving the congratulations of his friends over the arrival at his home of a handsome young baby boy. Nothing appears to be too good for Mr. Perkins, Jr.

N. B.—A note received from Mr. Perkins last evening states that it is a girl.

LINCOLN did herself exceedingly proud Thursday evening in the monster parade and procession. The business men of this city do not do things by halves and the thousands of visitors who watched the pageant have gone away with the firm belief that in the matter of enterprise and ability Lincoln is away ahead of any of her western rivals.

THE initial number of the Lincoln Journal of Commerce made its appearance this week. It is a handsomely printed twenty-four page paper in magazine form, with a neat cover, and is published by the Lincoln Publishing Co., Mr. A. L. Meigs, manager. Besides a great deal of matter interesting to the public generally, it contains a complete price current, corrected to date, invaluable to merchants and shippers. The COURIER welcomes the Journal of Commerce to the field of journalism in Lincoln.

Geo. McArthur, a temporary resident of Omaha, visited in Lincoln Wednesday and Thursday.

ON LIFE'S THRESHOLD.

Tough Steak Was to Him a Familiar Thing.
A child may often be expected to put his or her heedless little foot in it, as the phrase goes. For instance, a youngster one day begged an invitation to dinner at the house of a little friend with whom he had been playing. At the table his hostess anxiously inquired: "Charley, can you cut your own meat?" "Humph!" said the youngster, who was sawing away: "can't if I've cut up quite as tough a cut as this at home."—Home Journal.

Was Taking No Chances.
A boy of very small boys were "playing catch" up on Mather street yesterday. In an evil moment a little lad on the curbstone, who was watching the sport, picked up the ball as it rolled toward him and threw it back to the nearest player. He missed it and it landed on his nose.
"What if you think, Jimmy," he yelled at one of the other players. "Dis kid hit me on de nose wid de ball!"
"Wy don't y' smash 'im?" was Jimmy's unkind suggestion.
"Has he got a big brother?"
"Naw!"
"Den I will," and the youngster fell upon the disinterested outsider and smote him hip and thigh.—Chicago Herald.

He Couldn't Do It.
Young Tommy is a very talkative boy. The other day his uncle promised him ten cents if he would go an hour without speaking a word.
Tommy wanted the dime very badly and set out bravely to keep perfectly still from 5 o'clock until 6 o'clock.
He watched the clock very uneasily and eagerly, however. By and by the hands pointed to half past 5. Tommy looked up and exclaimed at the top of his voice: "Well, half the time's gone, any way."—Philadelphia Times.

Complete Reformation.
Shocked Mother—Oh, you bad boy! I've just heard you were fighting today with that boy next door. Don't you ever quarrel with him again.
Small Son—I ain't likely to. He kin lick me.—Philadelphia Record.

A High Official.
"Little boy," cried an old lady, "why are you not playing ball with the other little boys?"
"Cos Ise de manager of de club," was the haughty explanation.—New York Sun.

An Effective Fence for Children.
A little High street girl, whose father's orchard was recently devastated by thievish small boys, indignantly declared the next morning: "I guess we'll have to get a rhubarb fence."—St. Albans Messenger.

An Unreasonable Child.
"Oh! auntie," cried little Amy in the nursery yesterday, "make Freddy behave himself; every time I happen to hit him on the head with the mallet he bursts out crying."—New York World.

A Truth Teller.
Mother (writing)—Bobby, how many times did I tell you to stop that noise!
Bobby (reflectively)—Seven.—Time.

His First Trip.
Private Secretary (to railroad official)—An old gentleman is outside, sir, who says that he has seen a railroad today for the first time in his life.
Railroad Official—Show him in. (To old gentleman)—Sit down, sir. I am told you never saw a railroad before. What do you think of it?
Old Gentleman—It's the durndest sight I ever see. I've heard of 'em often, of course, but I never seen one before, an', as I'm going down to Shacknack to visit my darter, I thought I'd ask ya to gimme a pass.—New York Sun.

Where the Trouble Lies.
Mr. Wiggins (reading)—At the recent national congress in India all the speeches and proceedings were in English. They were gathered at Madras 503 delegates from all parts of India, Afghanistan, Nepal and Sindh. They spoke nine different languages, and the English was the only medium through which the proceedings could be satisfactorily conducted. Isn't that remarkable?
Mrs. Wiggins—Why, no. It's easy enough to talk English. It's the other language that bother a body.—Philadelphia Record.

Not Fattening.
Mr. A.—After brooding, which of the English poets do you most admire?
Miss R. (of Boston, thoughtfully)—The Lake school and Scott; but for enduring mental food, which gently nourishes, but does not excite, I prefer Crabbe's Tales.
Mr. P. (from Chicago, who has heard the last dozen words)—Gosh! what a diet! No wonder she's thin.—Laf.

Fire Versus Letters.
Postman (at the front door)—Madam, there is certainly a fire in your cellar. Smoke is pouring through the grate.
Madam (frightened)—Oh, dear. Fire! Fire! (Oh, what shall I do!) Have you any letters for me?—Texas Sittings.

He Caught on.
Mr. Winks—May I have the honor of your company to the Wagner concert?
Miss de Blue—Certainly. I dote on Wagner. When is it?
Mr. Winks—Wednesday.—Philadelphia Record.

An Exasperated Patient.
Doctor (to patient)—Have you any objection to my calling in a consulting physician?
Patient—Call in as many accomplices as you need to complete the assassination.—Texas Sittings.

Dernier Ressort.
Political Editor—I see our opponent has advanced an unanswerable argument in his last article. What shall I do about it?
Experienced Editor—Call it sophistry.—Chicago Tribune.

ALL AROUND THE HOUSE.

A Number of Pretty Ideas in Decorative Matters—Tested Recipes.
A rustic flower receptacle for the center of the table is very effective when covered with gold paper or silver foil (the former put on with gum or glue) puckered on and veiled with maiden hair or creepers, with flowers above.
Cretonne table covers are popular, edged with a frill of the material. Several in a room may be quite different, and large patterns, such as crimson, pink and tea roses together, big, deep red poppies, etc., are used. In a bedroom the little table covers are usually of the same material as the bed and toilet drapery.
One of the newest of pin cushions is made in the form of a long bolster to be hung against the wall with ribbons. A bottle shaped and fitted up for cushions. For the bedroom the favorite style is a square and low cushion, covered with fine embroidery and edged with a furling of silk, with lace over it.
In the decoration of walls very striking effects are obtained with linacrusta. It is not generally known that a moderate degree of heat renders this material pliable and easy to work. After heating it by a stove the designs may be readily cut out with a penknife and used for relief decoration. Charming effects are obtained by cutting out sprays of flowers, vines, arabesques, geometrical patterns or whatever pleases most, and arranging them to suit the fancy on the wall or surface to be ornamented. On a plastered wall they are attached with paste. On wood small tacks may be used. These linacrusta designs come in various pretty colors, and, if liked, they can be painted over in any of the metallic colors—gold, bronze, silver, copper, etc.

To Keep Milk and Cream Sweet.
According to an English recipe when it is difficult in hot weather to keep milk from souring and spoiling the cream, it may be preserved perfectly sweet by scalding the new milk very gently, without boiling. Cream already skimmed may be kept twenty-four hours if scalded with sugar, and, by adding to it as much powdered lump sugar as will make it pretty sweet, will be good for two days if kept in a cool place. Syrup of cream may be preserved as above in the proportion of one and a quarter pounds of sugar to a pint of perfectly fresh cream; keep it in a cool place for two or three hours, then put it into one ounce or two ounce bottles, and cork it close. It will keep good for several weeks, and will be found very useful in traveling, etc.

Peach Cobbler.
Take one quart of flour, four tablespoonfuls of lard or butter, one half teaspoonful of salt, mix with sweet milk or water, as for biscuit; roll thin and line a pudding dish. Mix three tablespoonfuls of flour with two of sugar and sprinkle over the crust; then put in layers three pints of peaches, sliced thin, and now and then a slice of crust. Sprinkle over them one coffee cup of sugar and wet the edges with a little flour and water mixed. Put on an upper crust, press the edges together and make two small openings in the top. Bake half an hour in a quick oven and serve with cream.

A Beautiful Work Basket.
Though an article of household necessity, a work basket need not bear the stamp of utility alone. Work baskets are gotten up so handsomely and in such a variety of attractive styles that many of them are quite as decorative as they are useful. To this class belongs the pretty standing basket represented in the cut.

Putting Up Peas, Etc.
In putting up peas, quinces, citrons, cherries, etc., many housekeepers prefer to boil them until tender, as they will harden if put directly into a very rich syrup. When tender the fruit should be carefully transferred to a platter, and the water or syrup it was boiled in used, with the remainder of the sugar and enough more water to maintain the proper proportion, to make the richer syrup. When the syrup is quite clear the fruit can be added and boiled slowly a shorter or longer time, according to the variety.

A Good Way to Cook Onions.
Lovers of onions will find that by boiling them in two waters and draining them much of the objectionable odor will be removed; add a little milk to the second water. Then put them in a stewpan and simmer for a few minutes in a sauce made as follows: Put butter the size of an egg into a saucepan, and when it bubbles stir in a scant half teacupful of flour and stir well till cooked; add two teacupfuls of thin cream, some salt and pepper, and stir over the fire till smooth.

One Thing and Another.
A lemon cut in half and rubbed over the kitchen table will remove the grease.
Use only the best cider vinegar in making pickles, and heat them in a porcelain kettle.
Frozen lemonade: To one quart of rich lemonade add the whites of six eggs beaten stiff; mix well and freeze.
When cleaning gilt frames the gilt will sometimes come off with fly specks. The spots should be touched with a little gold paint applied with a soft camel's hair brush.
A handy furniture polish, highly praised by a housekeeper, is a mixture of olive oil one part and vinegar two parts. Apply it to the furniture with a cotton flannel cloth. Rub dry with another cloth of the same material.
Scientific authority claims that it is a mistake to clean brass with acid, as it soon becomes dull after such treatment. Sweet oil and putty powder, followed by soap and water, is recommended as one of the best mediums for brightening brass or copper.

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THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

A Young Philosopher Tackles an Egg Problem.
Master Bobby's papa is the happy owner of a hatching machine.
The other day, as the former was watching a chick energetically breasting its way through its shell, he inquired:
"I see how he gets out, but however did he go to work to get in?"—Judge.

Misfortune Rather Than Fault.
An indignant parent, in rebuking a refractory son, exclaimed: "Remember who you are talking to, sir! I'm your father!" To which the youth rejoined: "Oh, come now, I hope you ain't going to blame me for that."—Troy Times.

The Correct Thing.
Mother—Tommy, ain't you ashamed of yourself to strike your little sister? You ought to know better.
Tommy—Yes, ma, I do; but we're playing school, and I'm the teacher. It's all right.—Lowell Citizen.

Reaffirmed.
A pedagogue threatened to punish a pupil who had called him a fool behind his back. "Don't don't!" said the boy; "I won't do it again, sir, never! I never will say what I think again in my life!"—Milwaukee Sentinel.

A Birthday Present.
A boy was teasing his little brother about the shape of his nose, when the little fellow quietly remarked: "I can't help it; I didn't buy it myself—it was a birthday present."—New York Evening World.

Hard on the Young Man.
The younger society element of Philadelphia are laughing heartily over an adventure that befell one of their number some time since. It appears that during a local boat race this young gentleman took occasion to express in no measured terms his disapproval of the decision of the referee, who ruled out the boat that our hero was interested in on account of an alleged "foul." A few nights afterward this doughty champion, in telling of the affair while sitting around one of the tables of a prominent cafe, expressed his intention of interviewing the offending referee on the morrow, for the purpose, as he stated in classic language, of "doing him up." Judge of his astonishment when on awakening next morning (with, it is true, a rather misty recollection of the last night's conversation), he was handed a letter from the gentleman against whom he had cherished these hostile intentions. The letter stated that the writer had learned of his expressions and insisted upon an immediate apology or satisfaction, where and when he pleased. Here was a dilemma truly, and, sad to state, our young friend did not feel equal to the encounter. The paternal advice was sought and the young fire eater, aided by his father, a prominent lawyer, concluded that, as discretion was the better part of valor, it would be best to prepare an humble letter of apology, which was sent by the office boy, with the favor of an immediate reply. It soon came. The other party knew nothing whatever of the affair, and it slowly dawned upon them that the challenge was got up by some outside wag for the purpose of obtaining a little harmless amusement. The explanations all round are said to have been very funny.—Philadelphia Times.

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