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## THINGS DULY OBSERVED.

### COMMENTS AND OPINIONS IN TYPE.

#### What is Heard, Seen, Learned and Pertinently Suggested to the Multitude.

When I see such mere boys as those that daily hang around the saloons, going to a certain wreck, and very fast at that, I don't wonder at the prohibitionists' seeming fanaticism in favor of abolishing the liquor traffic. The boys referred to are almost inhabitants of saloons, and anyone who enters any of these places near the center of the hotels, can always see them therein. Their faces are blotched, their talk vulgar to say the least, and their every action gives the observer the idea of a boy that wants to be "tough." It seems a shame to let such boys have drink and notwithstanding that they may be of age, regarding which, however, I am not prepared to speak, the saloon men, knowing the circumstances and knowing also that these same boys drink just because it seems smart to them, I think their pride, if they have any, should caution them. These boys have honored and respected parents, but it seems they have no control over them, or certainly they would remedy the evil. I trust the bartenders will hereafter use a little discretion in passing drinks over the bar and not deal out the poison to such youthful aspirants to a drunkard's grave. The Courier has never before spoke against or for saloons, nor offered any advice in this matter, but in this instance it feels called upon to say a few words which I trust will be accepted in the same good grace that it is given. However, should circumstances demand, I will publish the names of all concerned and ask the authorities to look the matter up.

Away down near the corner pocket of an O street car yesterday morning sat a shy, modest-looking woman, who was deeply buried in the pages of a book, the cover of which was carefully hidden by an outer covering of thick brown paper. It was quite evident that she was afraid that some one would see what she was reading, and several young men in her neighborhood vainly endeavored to get a sly peep at the title page of the book, supposing, no doubt, that the fair one was interested in some forbidden work. Pretty soon another lady entered the car. The reader knew her, closed her book, and made room for her. Of course woman's curiosity triumphed and the new comer asked what had been reading. In a moment the heads of all the wondering young men were bent to hear her response. "I am almost ashamed to tell you," said the shy woman, and neighboring eyes were picked up curiously. "It is the first chance, though, I have had to read it, and I'm ashamed to have any one see what it is—'Robert Elmsler.'" The pricked ears came down, and the curious young men looked as though some one had cried "Keno!"

If there is one thing that mankind admires more than another, it is to hear a bawling baby exercise its lungs to the fullest extent in a passenger coach. Such was the state of affairs I enjoyed the other day while en route east. The mother, who being used the child's music, tried little to remedy the noise, and seemed in utter oblivion as regards the annoyance it was to the balance of the passengers. Bawling, fatigued and tired of such entertainment, with several other travelers, I visited the coach behind, and after getting comfortably seated and interested in a novel I thought how different it was from the scene from which we had just taken refuge. But our piece of mind was of short duration, for in a few moments another "kid" had opened its head and the air was again full of melodious child cries. Well, we had to stand it, but a change is being looked for soon, as one of the boys started a paper in the train for signatures entitled "A petition to have conductors take charge of crying babies."

At last the spot on the south side of O street, between Eleventh and Twelfth, which has been an eyesore to citizens for several years past, is to be covered with a magnificent new business edifice. Messrs. Lamaster and Ewing, who have been in the courts for a number of years laying about the title to the lots, have come to an understanding and the result is as above stated. The clothing firm of T. Ewing & Co. will occupy the store when completed. Plans for the building are just being completed, and when finished it will be the finest and most modern store in the city. Col. Ewing is now in the east arranging details, fixtures, furnishings, etc. The show windows will be two lots wide, with an entrance on either side.

In this enlightened age where integrity and honesty are the paths by which most enterprises prosper there still exist persons whose morality is on a level with criminals now in durance vile. Newspapers, as a rule, are desirous of increasing their circulation, but in our estimation none has degraded itself to such an extent as has the *Dramatic Times* of New York, to further its means. It offers to appoint correspondents in all cities upon receipt of \$2.00 yearly subscription to the paper, but upon the fulfillment of the subscriber's part the *Times* fails to meet with their part of the contract.

Lincoln audiences at the theatre are becoming more and more metropolitan. I notice of late that the fair ones, many of them, are appearing in the proper opera costumes, i. e., in evening dress, and as for the gallants, they are showing up well. Encased as they are, in full dress, they make a most pleasing appearance. And the dear ladies, God bless them, are beginning to take pity on the male sex by either wearing an opera bonnet or no hat at all. Oh, we are getting to the front in all things, and I am heartily pleased to note the advancement in this particular sphere.

Sawyer & Mosher greenhouses are headquarters for all kinds of house plants, flowers, etc. City office in Masonic Temple basement, where cut flowers, bouquets, etc., may always be found.

## A BUDGET OF NEWS FROM OMAHA.

### Doings of the Metropolis Briefly Chronicled.

During the past week society affairs in the Gate City have awakened from the slumber of weeks past.

The twenty fifth anniversary of the organization of the Knights of Pythias, the anniversary of Washington's birthday, together with the approach of the Lenten season, have had the effect of making the past week one of the gayest of the season.

Tuesday evening an entertainment and supper were given at Exposition hall for the benefit of the Catholic School. The affair was well attended and quite a snug sum was realized.

The silver wedding of the Knights was celebrated in this city by almost every lodge by a ball and banquet and the affairs were all well attended. There are thirteen K. P. lodges in the city.

Orion Lodge, No. 76, gave an entertainment to its members and friends on Thursday evening. Recitations, singing and dancing were the amusements of the evening, and the evening was passed in an enjoyable manner and the Orion added one more twig to its laurel of popularity as an entertainer.

On Wednesday evening the Young Ladies' Social Club gave its second party at Metropolitan hall. About thirty-five couples participated in the dissipation of dancing to the delightful music. Twenty numbers composed a program which satisfied almost every craving, with its numerous round dances and just enough square dances to allow a few moments rest.

In sporting circles the events which are the talk of amateurs of the byking world are on quite a level of excitement over the coming match between Senator Morgan and Ashinger.

Seventeen handsome lady bicycle riders will display their forms and their abilities in riding the wheel the fore part of next month in a six day's tournament for a portion of the gate receipts and a purse.

Wilbur F. Knapp, champion 100 mile and 5 mile bicyclist of the world, left Thursday for Denver on a pleasure trip. Knapp is a whole souled fellow and well liked by his associates, while the girls vie with each other in winning his affections.

L. Wessel, Jr., passed through Omaha on his trip to Chicago.

Omaha, February 23, 1880. E. W.

### The K. P. Celebration.

Tuesday was a most pleasant day; not because it was one of an Italian atmosphere, but because it was a classic Nebraska day. The sky was clear and garbed in radiant blue, the air was bracing, though not too cold, and every inducement for a successful and pleasant day for the celebration of Pythianism's silver anniversary seemed to favor the occasion. Visiting Knights were received at the depot by the Military and K. of P. bands from early morn till late into the afternoon. The parade was a pleasing incident of the day, the tactics of the Sir Knights being particularly admired by all spectators. The line of march terminated at St. Paul's M. E. church, where addresses made by prominent persons were interestingly listened to. Quite a large audience was already seated and in waiting.

Past Grand Chancellor Richard O'Neill in a few well chosen and eloquent remarks briefly spoke of the occasion in introducing the speaker of the day, Captain Whetmarsh of Norfolk. An hour devoted to a review of the work of the order since its birth and its great benefits, was received with marked attention by all present. The speaker was followed by Mr. W. J. Bryan, who delivered a most eloquent address on the work of the order in Lincoln. A telegram announcing his regrets had been received from Mr. Joseph Critchfield, and was read.

The ball and banquet in the evening at Bohannon's hall was one of the most pleasing features of the celebration. The large hall beautifully decorated, the colors of the order, red, yellow and blue, glistening in the eye on every hand. Emblems and ornaments of numerous designs were tastefully arranged, and certainly the decorating committee have cause to feel proud of their work. Never has Lincoln seen so large a dance where refinement and elegantly costumed people held full sway. The visitors all came in their finest "togs," the local Knights and friends were also attired in the conventional evening dress suits, excepting the Sir Knights, all of whom were in full uniform. Seventeen dances were on the program and the Philharmonic orchestra, who never played better or sweeter music, was present to lend its charms and enhance the pleasures of the guests. Exhibition drills during the evening were received with great applause, the intricate movements of the Knights being a great and pleasant surprise to the delighted spectators. The boys showed an immense improvement over previous exhibitions, and if they continue to do as well as heretofore, the COURIER will back them against any other divisions in the country. The banquet was a sumptuous and toothsome collation of the delicacies and substantialities of the day, and was served in the lower hall, during the entire evening.

Taken as a whole, the celebration was a success in every particular. It was a big undertaking, but the Lincoln Knights, with their customary zeal and energy, never failing in an effort, are to be congratulated on the result.

### Advertise Your Wants.

For the benefit of the ladies, who may have to pass through the common struggle of securing help, the COURIER will receive want advertisements for publication in the Daily Call want columns. Parties desiring help situations, boarders, or to rent rooms or rent houses can leave their advertisement at this office and they will be promptly delivered to the Call for publication. One cent a word per day is the expense.

Game, oysters, and all the delicacies of the season always to be had at Brown's cafe, Windsor annex.

We will continue the sale of those buttons at 10 cents per dozen another week. They are the best bargain ever offered. Ashby & Millsbaugh.

## SEEN AT THE PLAY HOUSES.

### MATTERS MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

#### A Review of the Past, a Word for the Present and Prospects for Future Amusements.



EFFIE ELSLER MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

This charming American actress, whose portrait adorns the head of our dramatic column this week, opens a two-night engagement at the Funke Monday evening, on which occasion she will present her romantic comedy drama "Egypt," in which she was seen here last season by a large audience. On Tuesday evening she will be seen here for the first time in a great society drama, "Judge Not." This, her latest success, has had quite a run in the east and merits much praise. See what the Boston *Globe* says of it: "It is, as a whole, a crisp, compact, and spirited little drama, neatly constructed and cleanly written. The plot turns on the separation of an artist from his wife, and their subsequent reunion after years of alienation. The best effects are the scene in the artist's studio when the injured wife denounces and then shields her rival, and the following scene, in which she tells the story of the deception as a drama to the unsuspecting and undetected actors. The exposure is a flaw in its setting, but looked at by itself it is undeniably striking. The fourth act of reconciliation follows rather tamely the climax of the second and the exposure of the third, and all the actors seem to feel this, but the fall in spirits is not prolonged farther than is necessary to wind up the play in the old-time manner."

Miss Effie Elmsler as Katharine Clare, the artist's wife, is natural, sympathetic, and spirited. Her varying moods are marked with nice discrimination and clearness.

### A SMOOTH AMATEUR PERFORMANCE.

Monday evening, the society leaders of Lincoln gave an entertainment at the Funke that totally eclipsed anything in this line ever attempted in the city. It was above criticism and held the undivided attention of the entire audience throughout the long program. The tableaux representing the cartoons from the *New York* publication, *Life*, were well rendered and were, as nearly as possible, "true to life." They were well acted and staged, and introduced a large number of Lincoln's society people. At the conclusion of the tableaux, Mrs. C. S. Lippencott rendered a vocal selection in her usual happy style which received a hearty encore, as did all her efforts during the evening. The first play of the evening, "Naval Engagements," was then put on, introducing Miss Latta, Miss Lemist, and Messrs. Towney, Lemist, Foreman and Higginbotham. This was a pleasing farce in two acts, and each member of the company was tried to their utmost, Miss Latta deserving special mention. The evening's entertainment concluded with a one act farce entitled "Cut off with a shilling," with Miss Lemist, Mr. Towney and Mr. Griffith in the cast, each one exactly filling the bill. Taken all together it was "immense," and the ladies who had the undertaking in charge can repeat it at any time to a large audience without doubt, nothing but the highest praise having been heard since the show.

### NEXT WEEK AT THE PLAY HOUSES.

Commencing Monday evening, the Standard Theatre Company commence a week's engagement, at this family resort, in the ever popular drama, "Two Orphans." The following flattering notice from the *Creston Advertiser*, would have it appear that the company is meeting with unprecedented success: "The seating capacity of the theatre house was taxed to the utmost to accommodate the crowds who attended the presentation of the 'Two Orphans' by the excellent Standard Theatre company, and it even became necessary to bring in extra chairs for the party. Had it not been for the blustering character of the weather, Manager Part would have been unable to accommodate the throng of people. The company presented the play in good shape and made an excellent impression upon the large audience assembled, being greeted with generous applause throughout." Their repertoire contains some really meritorious plays and the company being good, gives to them that degree of perfection which is so much sought for by the theatre goers of our city. For this engagement only the prices have been put at 15, 25 and 35 cents. Let all attend, at least one performance.

### THE ATTRACTION THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING.

At two o'clock this afternoon Stetson's Double Uncle Tom's Cabin Co., takes possession of the stage at the Funke and it is hoped the public will make good use of the seats in front of it. There has been and always will be Uncle Tom's Cabin troupes of various calibre and merit but Stetson's is one of the best on the road, and judging from the attractive parade made this morning are coming with the intention of giving the people a first-class show and one that will do credit to the noble woman who wrote the delightful book that has been read and reread by thousands of people throughout the civilized world. Take the children and go this afternoon and then take the children's parents this evening. You will never regret it.

## "NOW THAT'S WHAT I THINK, DON'T YOU?"

To good business, both nights, Willard Spenser's Tyeon Co. played at the Funke, Wednesday and Thursday. The opera itself is fresh and interesting, and in the hands of able artists. Bright and catchy it carries with it the attention of an audience the entire evening. Mr. Spenser has cause to be congratulated on the success he has attained both in the composition of it and in the selection of the truly rare artists into whose hands he has placed it. They fit each other and one cannot imagine how anybody could play it but those who now have the parts in their hands. Without a hitch or a break it runs along the entire evening, accompanied as they are by one of the finest orchestras that travels with an opera company. The performance carries with it an air of richness and melody that thrills the spectator. The company if good, in fact too good to allow us to speak in particular of any one without doing the others an injustice. Mr. Spenser says he does not start anyone, and one must be as good as another, and to this end we must say he has accomplished his desire. It was a great show and has made many new friends in this city.

### A FINE CLASS OF ART SCHOLARS.

The "Deerick School," for which we have waited so long, came to order in Funke's opera house last night with a large audience waiting their appearance. When time (I should say school) was called, there appeared as no school at the same time, as unique a class of "scholars" as perhaps have ever been gathered together in any school house since Noah's request supreme over his floating zoological garden. It was a grand success, and the way these tiny tots acquitted themselves last night before so large an audience was something remarkable and would have done credit to full-grown men and women. It reflected much credit upon the older heads who had the affair in charge, and it is doubtless through their untiring efforts in behalf of the little ones that the affair was such an elaborate success. It would be impossible to mention all the good things the children said and done, as they were all good and seemed to please everyone, but the committee, or school board, who attended the session, and it was not intimated that they should please them, or the play could not have ended right.

### COL. MURPHY SELLERS.

The Uimers closed a two-night engagement at the Funke Saturday night, presenting "Col. Sellers" to a light house. The show deserved better patronage than it received and those in attendance were well entertained. Mr. Uimer is a very funny man and decidedly clever, but when he is off the stage the play drags some, as it is clearly a one man's play. He gained much favor from our people by his frequent allusions to local points. Miss Uimer has not a part to which she can impart her peculiar line of acting, and made a greater success when she appeared here as "Daisy's Girl" a season since.

### GREEN ROOM GOSPEL.

I learn from Manager Reynolds that we are to have Mr. Robt. Downing again the 4th of March. He will probably present "Ingonour" this time, and all who saw him in the "Goliath" will want to see him in this also.

Last Saturday evening when the curtain rose on the last act of *Col. Sellers*, the audience were surprised to see twelve well known members of the legislature occupying the jurors' box and Judge Root Elmsler's Saloon on the bench. It was quite a novel idea.

The report that the usher was to wear overalls and appear in "black face" at the opera house this evening has been denied by the manager of the Uncle Tom's Cabin troupe. Since Mrs. Langtry had the usher wear "kilts" during her engagement in New York it is thought to be quite fashionable to dress the boys to fit the play.

After Miss Elmsler's engagement, which closes Tuesday evening, the prospects for a dark house, the remainder of the week, are good. This is unusual for the Funke, as it has been playing more genuine good attractions this season than ever before, but a show or two that was looked for for some one known reason cancelled their dates. "But we still live."

A number of traveling men got it onto Jake's tent, the rusting business manager of the Little Tyeon Co., last Saturday evening in good shape. While sitting in the hotel office Jake invited one or two of them up to the performance of *Col. Sellers* by Geo. T. Uimer, commencing at the same time, "bring some of the boys with you." Imagine his surprise when sixteen men filed up to the door presenting the neckerchief with a card reading: "Dead Head's Compliments of the Little Tyeon Co. Jake put up for them, but says heretofore he will hand out his passes one at a time."

### A Treat in Store.

On next Thursday evening the beautiful new store of George Semmons & Co., 1125 and 1131 O street, will be formally opened, and for the first time the stock and the attractive features will be viewed by the public. Mr. Semmons, who is a young and energetic business man late of Cincinnati, Ohio, seems to thoroughly understand his business, for in a few moments glance about the premises, one can already form an idea of the excellent judgment that has been displayed in the arrangement of every detail. The counters, shelving, show cases, office, retiring rooms, cashier's departments, etc., together with the show windows, the store front and every arrangement go to show that much taste has been exercised and that modern ideas, instead of staid, old-fashioned ways, have been brought into use.

Our readers will be greatly surprised when they behold the interior of this new addition to our clothing interests. Everything is bright, new, noble and complete, and the opening will reveal a store of the modern times equal to anything in the country. Elaborate preparations are being made for the grand opening next Thursday, and ladies will receive the attention and courtesy due them. Music by the Philharmonic orchestra will be rendered both afternoon and evening, beautiful souvenirs will be presented to all the store will be profusely decorated with living green and flowery bouquets, and everything will be done to make the opening occasion a memorial event. No goods will be sold to anyone. You are one of the invited guests and should not fail to attend.

## THE SIZE THEY WEAR.

### A List of Lincoln's Most Popular Ladies and the Size Shoes They Wear.

It having occurred to the COURIER that an article on the "female feet of Lincoln" would prove interesting to its readers, we have commenced to compile a list of names of our most popular belles and society ladies, and as soon as all information is in, will give the number worn by each one.

Speaking to one of our leading shoe dealers the other day about spring styles, etc., he casually remarked: "Did you know that Lincoln was noted for having more ladies with much smaller feet than any other city in the west." This set the reporter to thinking (which may seem strange, but true, nevertheless) and it occurred to him that a description of the subjects referred to would prove interesting and entertaining. So with customary forethought the reporter asked the shoe man if he would assist the COURIER in getting up a list of the ladies' names and give the sizes that each of his customers wore. This he agreed to do, and visiting two other prominent shoe stores for the same purpose, both agreed to assist in getting up the list.

Our ladies will certainly appreciate this enterprise on the part of the COURIER, for in reviewing the "female feet of Lincoln" much can be said and columns can be well filled with a description of the various shapes, lengths, widths, high or low insteps, whether slender or heavy adapted for dancing or not, and dozens of other items of interest.

Ladies who have any idea that their dealer will give an incorrect size, may send in their own measurement and same will appear instead. We will endeavor to have the list complete and not miss anyone. Having a copy of the records kept by each dealer for the past two years, none will be omitted. To make the article more complete we are having cuts made of the more prominent ones, a feature that will undoubtedly add to its attractiveness.

Remember, next Saturday is the issue, and ladies desiring extra copies to send to friends, should order at once.

### February Book Items.

*Wide Awake* has this year taken a new hold on popularity—if such a thing could be possible. The capital series of *Trowbridge* and *Margaret Sidney* furnish one reason for this; the unexcelled character of all the contents provides another. No household can afford to be without it.

D. Lothrop Company are hastening towards completion a remarkable story by Mrs. Martha Livingston Wood of New York. It is a contribution in story form to the present "religious fiction craze," and is in many respects, as intended by its author, a capital refutation of the inconsistencies of "Robert Elmsler."

John L. Houston's "Story of Vermont" will be welcomed with interest not only by the residents of that commonwealth, but by the thousands who, in all parts of the land, are proud to look toward the sturdy Green Mountain state as the home of their childhood or as that of their ancestors. It is a crisp, practical, business-like volume, yet full of the flavor of the historic land of Ethan Allen.

Prof. Boyesen's "Vagabond Tales," in press by L. Lothrop Company, is a most engaging collection of this popular story teller's recent "novellets." A few well living—sincerely excepting the great Bjornstern—so thoroughly understands the Norse character, and when into this is infused the American element, the success of Prof. Boyesen's tales is easily understood. Some of the stories taken into this collection have already been translated into the French, German and Spanish.

On February 1st D. Lothrop Company, Boston, gave up the quarters which they have occupied for fifteen years past and moved into the buildings more suited to their greatly increasing business. One of these is a large five-story building on Purchase street, occupied entirely by their extensive manufacturing plant; the other is the factory building on Washington street, opposite Broadfield, which is to be used for salesroom and offices. There is no finer location for a book store, and the new Lothrop building will speedily become a favorite resort for booklovers.

The move made by the D. Lothrop Company to make a final edition of *Margaret Sidney's* "Five Little Peepers"—limited to one hundred thousand copies—and then destroy the plates, is destined, in time, to make that delightful story a real "classic." When people know that they can buy no more copies they will begin to understand how much they really want it. It would be hazardous to state just how many copies of "Five Little Peepers" have been sold. The number is legion and the book really deserves its popularity. It is the brightest, breeziest, most natural and most enjoyable of the parodies of children's home life in America—the paradise of childhood.

There seems to be no tating off of trade at the ever popular Capital Hotel and parlors but on the other hand, groups of busily engaged players may be seen enjoying themselves at the hospitable table of the genial Abbott at all hours of the day and late into the evening. It affords much amusement for the tired senator or representative after his days work and many such may be seen there "punching the ivories" these long winter evenings.

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## THE INAUGURATION.

### Special Train to Washington.

For the accommodation of those desiring to visit Washington at the time of the inauguration of President-elect Harrison, the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. will run a special train of Pullman sleepers and day coaches from Chicago to Washington and Baltimore, leaving Chicago at 3:45 p. m., Saturday, March 2nd, arriving at Washington and Baltimore the next evening, passing in daylight over the Alhambra mountains, just west of Park where President Harrison will spend the summer months, past Harpers Ferry and through the beautiful and historic valley of the Potomac. The round trip excursion rate from Chicago will be \$17.50, and tickets will be valid returning on all regular trains leaving Washington or Baltimore, including those of March 8th. Excursion tickets from Chicago to Washington and Baltimore will also be sold for all trains February 26th to March 3rd inclusive, good returning until March 8th, inclusive. Excursion tickets to Baltimore via B. & O. are good to stop off at Washington in either or both directions. Excursion tickets via B. & O. are on sale at the offices of all road front, 105 Clark street, and depot on Lake Front, foot of Monroe street, Chicago.

### Hop Number One a Grand Success.

Thursday evening every conductor running into Lincoln on any of the numerous roads that enter here, together with a whole lot more that don't, accompanied by their wives or fair ones, wended their way toward Temple Hall where the Lincoln branch of the "Order of Railroad Conductors" were to hold their first annual ball. And it was a ball, in all respects. As a COURIER reporter stepped up to the door he was met by a member of the order, who wore a white satin badge on which was printed the monogram of the order, "O. R. C." together with the number of the lodge, "No. 227," and politely invited in. The first thing that struck the eye was the thorough, fully one hundred and fifty couple in party dress occupying the floor in the many waltz. After admiring and watching the merry dancers there engaged, he next directed his attention to the neat and tasty decorations. The ceiling was festooned with evergreen and suspended from the gas fixtures hung the colors of the in the shape of red, white and green flags, while immediately underneath them hung lanterns of corresponding colors.

On the north wall deftly arranged in evergreen was the cheering words, "Perpetual Friendship O. R. C. Lincoln, Div. No. 227" while on the platform at the feet of the musicians stood a large transparency with the suggestive letters "O. R. C." standing out in bold relief. Immediately facing the door hung the word "Welcome," also made of evergreen with the "O. R. C." monogram suspended from it. Precisely at twelve the first half of the program was finished and the announcement was made from the platform that an intermission of half an hour would be allowed for supper. Here our reporter left them to finish the program, not forgetting to be informed by the committee that it was a brilliant success socially as well as financially and that everyone was satisfied to their hearts content and awaited the repetition with eagerness.

### New Train Service on the Northwestern.

By the new arrangement Lincoln patrons of this route have the only parlor cars in service in the west at their free disposal between Lincoln and Missouri Valley, Iowa, the junction point of the Elkhorn line with the Northwestern R. R. proper. These cars are the same as used by this company between Chicago and Milwaukee and are the acme of railroad luxury and perfection in their appointments which consists of smoking, toilet and card compartments in addition to the main saloon, to say nothing of the porter in charge, all of which are furnished with beautifully upholstered and comfortable great arm chairs and couches except the parlor whose furnishing is in genuine ebony.

Leaving Lincoln on the afternoon train in one of these cars the passenger arrives at Missouri Valley at 4:45 p. m. A wait of fifteen minutes now occurs to select passengers for Chicago and the east to select seats in the finest coaches in the railroad service or secure the accommodations reserved in the sleeper allotted to Lincoln patrons. Starting again at 5 p. m., the passenger finds him or herself in an elegant car, a part of the Northwestern Limited, a solid vestibuled train of coaches, sleeping and dining cars. Right here we will remark that the passenger is now in the finest train, running over the best track, and guided by the best service in the country. After a delightful run the train runs into Chicago on time at 8:25 a. m., in time to make the morning connections north, east and south. Don't take our word for this but try this line the next time you go east.

### A Thriving Industry.

A little over a year ago the News added a livery to its printing establishment, and it has been a success from the start. Ten persons are employed in this department, and the work turned out is as fine and substantial as can be done anywhere. A great deal of work is done for counties in the state, the in shape of court records, etc. Madison, Seward, Cuming, Dawson, Otos and Richardson are being fitted out with massive books of various descriptions, full bound extra. Orders from the leading wholesalers and bankers of both city and state are daily received, and include collection, draft and discount registers, balance books, journals, ledgers, etc., in any style of binding and ruled to order.

A specialty is made of binding and lettering magazines in any style, costing from \$1.00 to \$10.00 per volume; music \$1.50 to \$5.00 a volume; and pictorial works for from \$3.00 to \$20. Only first-class workmen are employed, and the patronage of all desirous of procuring the best products of the binder's art at low rates is respectfully asked. We feel sure we can render you satisfaction.

The novelty dress goods just received by Ashby & Millsbaugh, are worth a trip down town to see.

Sawyer & Mosher, florists, Masonic Temple.