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POPULATION OF LINCOLN, 65,000.

THE *World-Herald* of Sunday gave a list of Omaha hotels and restaurants using oleomargarine. The Paxton is put down for 574 pounds in one month.

THE politicians are talking up R. H. Oakley for the state senate. Mr. Oakley is not a candidate, but he is a good man to represent Lincoln, and it is not likely he would refuse the republican nomination.

GOV. THAYER has written a letter to Senator Padlock asserting that hundreds of thousands of dollars had been lost to Nebraska through the false grading of corn. He asks the senator to urge legislation by the government to prevent this robbery.

THE joint committee from the city council, board of trade and real estate exchange have decided to ask the officials of the B. & M., the U. P., the Northwestern and the Rock-Island to meet with them on May 15 and discuss plans for a grand union depot. That looks like business.

THE world's fair bill as passed and approved has gone to the printer, and a circular is being prepared at the state department to be sent to the governors of each of the states calling their attention to the provision requiring the appointment of commissioners to meet in Washington within thirty days after the final passage of the act, which means before May 25. A copy of the law will be enclosed with each of these circulars. No steps have yet been taken towards the appointment of the commissioners-at-large.

CAPTAIN JOSEPH TEETERS of this city was in Washington this week with a view to ascertaining his status in the fight for the Lincoln land office. Captain Teeters was recommended for the position some time ago, but the recommendation has been held up by the delegation upon the information that the captain's republicanism was not vouchered sufficiently by the people of Lincoln. Captain Teeters was advised by the delegation to return home and straighten himself out in the eyes of the principal republicans of Lincoln, during which the former recommendation would probably stand.

ARCHDEACON FARRAR has in the May number of *The Forum* an article to show that criticism has more often made mistakes than it has foretold the judgment of posterity. He collects a long list of facts to prove that nearly every important original work in English literature has been damned by the critics when it was first published, and in the most amiable temper he declares that he himself has hardly seen during his long career as an author a literary criticism from which he has gained help. The article contains a large group of interesting literary reminiscences covering a long period.

An ordinance has been introduced in the city council by Mr. Busnell giving the Rock Island the right of way over Eighth street from S to L and regulating the use of the street by the company. The ordinance provides that there shall be only one track and that there shall be no switches and no change of grade. The company shall leave the paving in as good condition as it finds it. The laying of the track shall be done under the control and supervision of the city. Trains of cars shall not be permitted to obstruct travel at the crossings, and the company shall keep a flagman stationed at the crossings at all times. In the event that the work is not commenced in six months, all rights given by the ordinance are forfeited. The right granted to the Rock Island is not an exclusive one, but the company shall lease its track to other roads on the payment of certain specified compensations. The ordinance was referred to the printing committee to have printed in the city papers, if the Rock Island would pay for the printing, so that the people might understand its provisions.

LAST year's report of the brakemen's brotherhood showed that one in every eighty-eight members of the organization is killed yearly and one in every sixty suffers either death or total disability. The inter-state commerce commission reported that during last year 320 brakemen were killed and 6,827 totally disabled in coupling cars, and recommends that some action be taken to induce or compel railway companies to adopt a safer mode of coupling cars than the ordinary link and pin now generally used on freight cars. A bill has been introduced in congress requiring all railroads to use automatic car couplers upon all freight cars and authorizing the president to appoint a board of five competent persons, three of whom shall have practical knowledge of the operation of railroads and two of whom shall have mechanical knowledge of car construction, to make a careful investigation of the couplers in use and to test all designs submitted, with a view to ascertaining and reporting to the inter-state commission the type or character of coupler found by them to be best adapted for use and possessing the greatest safety for employees. When such a coupler is adopted all railroads shall be required to use them upon new cars manufactured and upon all old cars sent to the shops for repairs.

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LOUISE IMOGEN GUINEY.

A brilliant young Boston woman is Louise Imogen Guiney, the only child of Gen. Guiney, who died soon after the war from wounds received in his heroic service. This "sunny young Greek," as she has been well named, was born in Boston in 1861 and educated at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, in Providence, R. I. While still in school she began contributing verses to *The Pilot*, over the signature of "F. O. L.," and was for a long time taken for some prankish college boy rather than a young girl. She was hardly 23 when she published her first volume of poems, "Songs at the Start," which was soon followed by "The White Sail and Other Poems," "Goosequill Papers," a volume of prose and a little collection of stories called "Brownies and Bogies."

A great honor was conferred upon the young girl in 1885, when, at the memorial meeting for Gen. Grant, held in Tremont Temple, on Oct. 23, she was invited to write the "ode" for this impressive occasion. The



ELIZABETH W. STEPHEN.

oration was given by Henry Ward Beecher. Her poetic gift is in the heroic vein. She is an excellent Latin scholar, and has so much of the classic spirit that she has suggested the sobriquet of the "sunny young Greek." Miss Guiney is now in London engaged in literary work. She is of medium height, slender and supple as a reed, with flowing hair, dark eyes and pale, clear complexion—a face full of laughing animation and seldom caught in repose. She is a famous pedestrian, making nothing of a ten mile walk, and has an insouciant grace that is instantly captivating.

A lovely young woman, who is a "coming" woman in literature, is Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson Stephen, who, though not a Bostonian by birth, belongs to its literary coterie of brilliant young women by virtue of literary tastes and sympathies. A poem of hers on Louisa Alcott, published in *The Boston Traveller* soon after Miss Alcott's death, attracted much attention among the friends and admirers of this beloved author, and many of her poems have been contributed to *The*



ANNIE PAGE.

Traveller since that which so stirred and thrilled the breasts of those who held Miss Alcott near and dear. Mrs. Stephen is the wife of a Presbyterian clergyman, and they have recently been called to Vevay, Ind. Mrs. Stephen is of medium height, slender and fair, with a wealth of beautiful dark hair and expressive eyes. She is hardly more than 30, and one of the most responsive and lovely characters imaginable.

A very charming young Bostonian whom fate ordains to dwell afar from the gilded dome is Miss Grace Elery Channing, a daughter of Dr. W. F. Channing and a grandniece of the great divine, William Ellery Channing. The Channings live now at Pasadena, Cal., where they removed from Boston several years ago. Miss Channing's specialty is in short stories, and she is contributing to *The New England Magazine*, *Kate Field's Washington*, *The Boston Traveller* and others. Miss Channing, still in her early twenties, is very fair, with lovely hair of blonde cendre and beautiful blue gray eyes. She is a rather marvelous compound of delicacy and strength, with the gentlest manner imaginable, based on an iron will and wonderful tenacity of purpose.

Closely associated with her in literary work is Charlotte Perkins Stetson, a granddaughter of Dr. Lyman Beecher, and the wife of a gifted young artist, Charles Walter Stetson. It is an amusing sarcasm of heredity that the descendants of William Ellery Channing and Dr. Lyman Beecher should be close friends and collaborators. The Channings and Stet-

sons live in a kind of Arcadian fashion on a beautiful estate in the San Gabriel valley.

A very charming, intellectual young woman of Boston is Miss Annie Page, a leading member of the Ladies' Saturday Morning club, and a woman whose literary talent has found expression in some exquisite short stories. Miss Page is called a classic beauty. Her portrait, painted by Mr. Dennis Bunker, was exhibited in the American Art galleries a few years ago, in a collection by American artists. It has also been hung at the St. Joseph Club galleries, in Boston. She is "a daughter of the gods, divinely tall," slender and graceful. In the Greek play of "Antigone," recently produced by the Saturday Morning club, Miss Page acted the Queen Eurydice, and made an exquisite picture in her classic white robes.

The sculptor St. Gaudens requested permission to model her hand and arm, and, with the single exception of Maud Howe Elliott, no Boston maiden of late years has been so much painted and modeled by artists as has Miss Page. She is a favorite of cosmopolitan culture, and is almost as familiar in London life as in her native city.

A talented writer among the younger women is Miss Eliza Ruhamah Scidmore, who passed last summer in Boston, but whose time when in America is spent principally in Washington. Miss Scidmore has established herself at the national capital as a press correspondent of very exceptional power to portray passing events. *The St. Louis Globe-Democrat*, *The San Francisco Call* and various other daily newspapers have made a leading attraction of her work, and she is a contributor to *St. Nicholas*, *Harper's Bazar* and *Harper's Weekly*, and is the author of a book on Alaska, which is the accepted standard of works of travel in that region. Miss Scidmore has the genius for travel, and she was one of the first to visit Alaska; she has been much in Europe, to Japan and China, and knows all the Pacific as well as she does Lafayette square in Washington or Fifth avenue in New York. She is a slender, stylish



ELIZA RUHAMAH SCIDMORE.

woman, with dark hair and blue gray eyes, and is as good a conversationalist as she is a captivating writer.

Miss Vida Scudder, whose home is at Newbury street, Boston, is one of the gifted young Boston women. She is the literary lecturer at Vassar college and a contributor to *The Anglo-American* and other magazines. A paper in dialogue form entitled "Influence and Independence," contributed by Miss Scudder to *The Anglo-American* for February last, has attracted much attention. She is a niece of Mrs. Horace Scudder, of Cambridge, whose literary work in *The Atlantic Magazine* and elsewhere is well known. Miss Scudder has a frank, pleasant countenance, an engaging manner and a very winning smile. She is also a prominent member of the Saturday Morning club, and not infrequently lectures before this gathering. Miss



KATE VANNAH.

Scudder is also a leading spirit in that unique and beautiful philanthropy, the "University Settlement," at No. 35 Livingston street, New York city, where seven college girls have set up a home that they may be neighbors and friends to the friendless and the ignorant.

A brilliant young woman, who is almost as much at home in Boston as at her own residence in Gardiner, Me., is Miss Kate Vannah, poet and litterateur. Miss Vannah graduated from St. Joseph's academy (near Gettysburg, Md.) in 1874, taking the first prize in music and English composition. She is a favorite contributor to New York and Boston journals, does much musical criticism, is a prolific writer of verse, and has of late won honors as a musical composer.

Her waltz called "By the Sea" has gone through four editions, and two songs (both the words and the music by Miss Vannah), called "When Love Is Told" and "Parting," are exceedingly popular. Miss Vannah has the great advantage of an extensive acquaintance with the very creme de la creme of musical talent of New York city, and her "Parting" is dedicated to Annie Louise Carey. Miss Vannah almost lived with Mme. Carey-Raymond in New York last winter.



KATHERINE C. BLAIR.

A volume of Miss Vannah's poems was published by the Lippincott house in 1883, and another is now in press.

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