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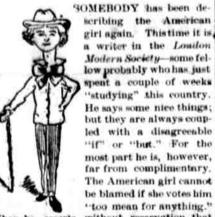
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without reservation that When he asserts "the American girl does not know the meaning of the word 'chaperone'" he betrays an ignorance of American social customs that is wholly inexcusable. True, she is not educated to believe as are her European sisters, that men are mostly beasts, and when she finds herself alone in the company of a gentleman she is not taken with the cold chills or hysterics; but she knows the proper relations of the sexes, and she has a very clearly defined idea of a chaperone and her duties.

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"Outside of the big towns," he continues, "such a thing as class distinction scarcely exists. The daughter of a judge has been to ter. Upon the medallion was a figure of school with the young man at the dry goods store, has jested with him over the counter and may mary him tomorrow if she pleases. He may be a millionaire before many years are over, and his wife may lead society in New York." Nobody can take serious ob- laid favors of filligree hearts and fine silver jection to this. Even if the "young man at chains for the girls and beautiful moonstone the dry goods store" does not become a mill- hearts, mounted in silver pins for the men. ionaire, the chances are that he is fully as well equipped with social and family qualifications as the "daughter of the judge," and there is no good reason why they should not marry.

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I am at a loss to express my idea of a man who referring to the American girl, can say that: "there is something hard and practical about her at the first glance." Hard and practical! It must be that the writer failed to see the genuine article. Most of us think that the loveliest and sweetest thing on earth artistic, literary and musical culture; but the is the American girl, and even a visit to the fact remains, my literary friends, Calhoun mother country fails to shake this conviction.

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"candy' all day, lays the foundation for dys-"candy' all day, lays the foundation for dys-pepsia and the 'washed out' appearance literature which should characterize the inwhich nearly every American woman pre-habitants of an educational city like Lincoln.

Becthis love, but they need not announce yours first, thereby sending out an invitation. My dear girl, ask almost any man you know

what his favorite flower is, and, after he has thought, he will tell you either the violet or scribing the American the rose. One grows surrounded and promonu ranged from farce-comedy to high girl again. This time it is tected by green leaves, and to get it perfecttragedy and included legitimate drama writer in the Loudon that is with a stem-you have to reach down Modern Society-some fel- and pluck it carefully, but in a determined Lincoln people appreciate good things was way. The other is guarded by sharp thorns, spent a couple of weeks and though it stands up in a most dignified way, it resists, except by its encouraging If "U. S. Mail" was a triffe disappointing, it He says some nice things; the says some nice things; from the parent tree. You can learn a good must be remembered that the field of farces lesson in a flower garden: you see the hollythe past few years, and that a novel comedy led with a disagreeable hocks plant and know that they are the foris one of the rarest of all rare things. The "if" or "but." For the ward beauties of the world of flowers; you satire on Mr. Waramaker's postoffice was too most part he is, however, see the lilies with their bowed heads, and are broad to be effective; but at times the by-play far from complimentary, convinced that beauty without faith is of litwas very funny. Samuel Reed's John Money-The American girl cannot the worth; you are aware of a dainty permaker was artistic and entertaining, and be blamed if she votes him fume, and know that the little lady, whose "too mean for anything." Qualities surpass her charms-the miguonette - is near; you can see the positive one in the gaudy sunflower; you can see the aggressive one in the scarlet geranium, and you can think of them all and conclude this, the ones worth having, sweet of perfume and restful flowers and maidens, "Take us.

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A taking novelty lately introduced in the east is a "heart" dinner. At one of these recently given to sixteen young people, the table was heart shaped and covered with pink silk, over which was laid fine white linen with a heart shaped lace medallion in the cen-Cupid in white marble. On eitner side were two.large hearts of pink roses transfixed with silver arrows which fastened them to the table. Upon the dinner cards of pink satin, decorated with hand painted Cupids, were

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Doubtless a good many people beside my-self have been amused at the eagerness with which Brother Calhoun of the Herald, and Brother Jones of the State Journal, have tumbled over each other in their attempts to disprove THE COURIER's statement that "art, literature and music are much neglected" in this city. THE COURTER did not say that they were wholly neglected as its contem-pories seem to infer. Of course there are so-cieties and institutions of various sorts for and Jones to the contrary notwithstanding, that among our people these things are "much neglected." For instance, is it not

Then again he says: "Absence of exercise combined with hot bread for breakfast and is not a really first class orchestra! And sents before she has touched thirty. Life at In justice to Messrs. Calhoun and Jones, however, it should be said that the wide circula-American face and is gradually producing a tion of their respective journals has done much to advance the literary taste of our deal of truth in this. While we wont admit the culture of the city could be safely left in their hands.

week will be abundantly entertained. Fris MUSIC AND THE DRAMA. day will be as usual, ladies souvenir day, and on Satuaday school children are entitled to Manager McReynolds gave the patrons o

reserved seats without extra charge. There will be a change of programme Thursday. the Funke a varied selection this week. The HARNUM COMING. The Barnum & Bailey show in connection Each class had a fair representative and that

Wednesday, October 1. The addition of Imre Kiralfy's now world-famous dramatic specnot operated to curtail, in the slightest depensively enlarged for its present American plete costume in themselves that what is be tour

Frank David as Hi Hand was an unqualified The New York Herald says: "There is so success. The rollicking farce introduced a balf dozen playful beauties, some of them feature is so well worth seeing, that it is unvery clever lancers. On the whole the fair commonly difficult to keep within bounds when writing about the big show. Great as sized audience was well pleased with the performance. Robert Mantell repeated his last it is, only half the material possessed by the senson's success in "Monbars" Wednesday evening. "Monbars" is one of the prettiest show has fallen under the public eye. Immense as the circus is, there is enough materdramas on the stage and play goers surfeited ial and force in reserve to furnish another with low comedy found in it a pleasant relief. show just like it. Barnum never owned so A good healthy tone provades the play and the interest which centers in the striking much circus property as at this moment. For instance, there are in the stables 150 trained story of the "woman who fell in love with her horses that cannot be used for lack of time husband" never lags The heroic parts are thrilling without being boisterous, and there and space. Three arenas and two stages canis a refinement in the pathetic character of not more than half accommodate the per-Diane, as portrayed by Charlotte Brehens formers. The latter are, of course, the most seldom found on the stage. Miss Behrens has proficient that can be found. a singular beauty and grace and is withal a CUSHMAN PARK

charming actress. The company while in There will be a reunion and camp-fire of the some respects not as strong as last year's was uniformly good. We hope Mr. Mantell Lancaster County Veterans' association at Cushmans Park today and Sunday. At the will present "The Corsican Brothers" on his camp fire this evening Captain Woodward next visit to Lincoln. Of course Keene drew will speak of "Coffee Cooler," Judge Cobb will discuss the "Volunteer Soldier as a Citiwell. He has long been popular in this city; but the reception he received Thursday and but the reception and an available warm, for Friday evenings was unusually warm, for Lincoln audiences, somewhat noted for address the soldiers on an interesting theme. At 3 p. m. there will be a skirmish drill by At 3 p. m. there will be a skirmish drill by company D, N. N. G., and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. N. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and at 6 o'clock supper company D, N. S. G. and S. tous service will be held and at 12 o'clock attended the opening night were perhaps very there will be an elaborate dinner. Camp will agreeably disappointed in a piece with which be broken in the afternoon. Convenient trains all day. Sunday, September 28th, Col. S. P. Eibock, the distinguished German they were not especially familiar. His personation of the bilicus and unscrupulous old monarch, tottering on the edge of the grave, orator, will speak in his native tongue on the but with a king-like dread of tleath, is to the cause of anti-prohibition. The season at the mind of many, one of his most successful park closes October Sth. parts. It is a difficult role. In the nervous energy which a proper interpretation calls for it may be likened to Janauschek's Meg Mer-AUNT SAMANTHA AT THE FAIR. riles or Booth's Shylocks. Keene's presenta-

[Written for THE COURTER.] tion is scholarly and artistic, evincing a true appreciation of the character of the part. He was able supported by Generat Languight supported by Generation Languight and there; was ably supported by George Learock as Duke de Nemours, whose bursts of eloquence She never met before in so small a space. elicited frequent and hearty applause. Site never met deure in so small a space. Màrie (Miss'L. Shannon) was reudered in a And all came to Lincoln to see the great fair. peculiarly pleasing and vivacious manner, And some of them brought their produce fine If fruit and vegetables from the

Special COURIER Correspondence.]

NEW YORK, September 18, 1890,-Most women who are in the habit of going out every day without regard to weather or variwith Imre Kiralfy's "Nero" will be in Lincoln ations of temperature, have learned the advisability of having several wraps of differing shapes and materials, as there is no single tacle of "Nero" to the "Greatest Show on garment which seems to meet all the require-Earth," it should be well borne in mind, has ments and occasions. In order to satisfy the varying demands in this respect Redfern is gree, its vast standard features. Not only turning out this season, not only the famous be a decided acquisition to Mr. Resewater's this, but in its wild beast, circus, hippodrome, specialty, the natty cloth coat, so long and museum, enormous and sensational Free deservedly popular, but also a number of Street Parage, and other novel and exclusive small, fancy wraps, and some of the more attractions, it has been most notably and ex- stately, long ones which are so much a com-

neath is as much a matter of indifference to the wearer as to the spectators.

Our Blustrations will give the readers of much to see at Barnum's circus, and every THE COURIER a fair idea of the New York promenader a few weeks from now when the fall winds begin to wax boisterous.



CREATIONS BY REDFERN. Cot," "Giroffe Giraffa," "Fra Diavola," "Mi-kado" and "Erminici," Robert Mantell in "The Corsican Brothers," at the Boyd.

PEOPLE WE KNOW.

Information comes from a reliable scurce to the effect that William E. Smythe, editor of the Kearney Enterprise which on Monday last was consolidated with the Journal of that place, will accept a responsible position on the editorial staff of the Omaha Bee. Mr. Smythe, as a forcible and ready writer, will paper.

There is a life-sized rumor lurking around which mays that Fred Nye is soon to re-embark on the treacherous but forever fascinating sea of daily journalism-if the phrase is permissable. Some people at Portlund, Ore., have, for some time, been sighing for a new morning news paper. And it appears that they have entrapped Fred Nye and J. J. Steadmen. The latter was for many years editor and proprietor of the Council Bluffs Nonperceil, and is somewhat widely known as a newspaper man of ability and experience. Nye-but everybody is familiar with the brilliant genius who with the late O. H. Rothacker, made the columns of the Omaha Republican of a year or so ago sparkle with a literary effulgence not common in these parts. Steadman is a capital manager and if the deal goes through Portland will have a What will become of good newspaper. Topics?

Who says there is nothing in luck : A well snown young dry goods man of this city doesn't profess to know any thing about a horse or very much about racing. Yet he walked into the corridor of the Capital Hotel one day last week during the progress of the State fair, deposited \$100 in a blind sort of way with the pool sellers and-won. The next day he ventured on another hor e and won again-this time \$65. Then he had the good sense to stop.

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G. H. Baughman, who has been on the repertorial staff of the State Journal for a year or thereabouts, will on October 1, resign his position and join G. W. Gerwig in the insurance and real estate business. Mr. Gerwig represents the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance company and has been singularly successful in his line. Both young men are well known and popular, and withal equipped with first rate business qualifica-They have THE COURIER's best wishes.

A good many people about town will remember Frank E. Lewis, the erstwhile genial business manager of the Omaha Republican's Lincoln office. Mr. Lewis left this city

high pressure has set its mark upon the new type which was unknown until the presthe "washed out" part of it, there is no use denving the fact that the American woman suffers from a lack of out door exercise and an almost total disregard of the common laws of hygiene. She hasn't time to think of dressing continue to engross public attention the resultant effect of this or that, and she on both sides of the Atlantic. Very few does many foolish things, in which respect, critics have reviewed favorably the so-called perhaps, she does not differ greatly from her tirade and there is an almost general condem-

"The American girl has no reverence"ligious ecstacy such as one may catch upon go-up higher. But Elizabeth has such a the face of a Roman Catholic nun" none will dispute-for American girls are not Roman Catholic nuns. But she is not particularily irreverent. If her religion does largely run to sewing societies, and church suppers and socials, she is none the less devoted. The string of young men which line the sidewalks this blatant crusading by prurient purists in front of our churches Sabbath evening is a convincing proof that she is not irreligious.

tle of life in pertnership with the American are some who do so, but they are the sort of girl, will take exception to this last quota- women who * * * and ask French conunfiding, little wife that the agerage English mous French vice between the covers of Edwin looks forward to, who will run for his fashion priots." slippers, put up with his ill-humors and worship him as a hero; but treat her en bon compliment at all. For instance when the will find the Yankee girls 'jolly companions,' Journal in recording the Ford-Bracken wedevery one." The implication in the above is ding a few days ago referred to the groom as we know all this is arrant nonsense. As steady habits" it spolled it all. The young Frank Zehrung would say, "We deny the man who wrote the item might have added allegation and defy the allegator," 1.1

In looking about for something in the line of social novelties, I ran down a "shampoo party" the other day. A young lady who knew the tiresomeness of modern shampoois small prospect that this new "fad" will become popular.

the "girl who wooes" in the Ladies Home the pugilist-actor-writer. John L. Sullivan, Journal: "I may as well be frauk at once and Pauline Hall's dainty work may be comand say I do not like the maid who does the pared with Inspector Bynes' realistic vein. ular favor and is one of the best of this class wooing. She is usurping the privilege of her knight, and if I were he I should turn and Eastlake, and an estimate of the literary side week. flee. "But," says Ethilinda, "he needs en- of P. T. Barnum may be formed by a comcouragement!" Perhaps he does. But not parison with Alan Dale's polished effusion. too much of it. When you want to give an Some of the other authors are W. H. Ballou. invalid something to increase his appetite Alfred C. Calnoun, Nell Nelson and Howe & you do not offer to eat it for him; instead Hummell. Don't fail to read "His Fleeting you offer a dainty bit, a little spice, or a lit- Ideal." tle acid that quickens the taste and makes a great hanger come. Treat your sweetheart in the same way. Let him be conscious that · you are pleased with his liking; but do not for

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nation of the views of the "thin-skinned propagandist." Is is probable that a lack of respect for the writer is responsible for much another unkind remark. That you do not of the adverse comment, for there is certainly a growing feeling that the decollete should wide reputation as a crank that her utterences are seldom taken seriously. A writer on the other side, referring to Mrs. Ward's effusion, says: "Some of us are so unfortun-ately constructed that we must first create the vices we want to destroy, and there is against evils that have scarcely the shadow of an existence outside of their own imagina-

tions. Mrs. Ward is sorry that ladies who go I think all COURIER readers, especially to theatres do not avert their glances and those who are fighting their way in the bat-blush when the ballet comes on. Well there "She will never make the tender, con- drums at the dinner tables, and read anony-

An awkward compliment is worse than no worse than the actual expression. Of course a "well known and popular young barber of with equal appropriateness that the groom had never ridden in the hurry up wagon.

.... Unless 1 am greatly mistaken, COURIER readers will be much interested in "His Fleeting Ideal" the first installment of which will ing and hair-dressing, conceived the idea of having company at the disagreeable opera- know, is the celebrated composite novel know, is the celebrated composite novel propriate refreshments were served. There by some of the cleverest of contemporary

writers, in their cleverest way. It is a novel novel. Those who read "His Fleeting Ideal" will have an opportunity of studying the style of Ella Wheeler Wilcox as brought out Ruth Ashinore has the following to say of in bas relief against the heavier handiwork of

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In the course of two or three weeks THE COURIER intends to give an informal "at a minute take away his prerogative and do the wooing. No man has a true appreciation for good things too easily obtained. Man is yet a little bit of a wayge, and the hunt is always a delight to him. Your eyes may rehome" when its friends will be welcomed in

and the other leading characters were as But in all of the counties' fine display usual in the hands of capable actors. "Louis Twas Custer county that led the way. XI" made a distinct impression. Another year it will draw a larger house. "Richard III" was presented last night. The play as given some brought jelly, preserves and honey by Keene, is so well known that comment is superflous. Mr. Keene's company the pres- Some brought butter both nice and sweet Elizabeth Stuart Phelps'article on desollete tuming and effects are also excellent.

week-Thursday and Saturday.

PRINCE AND PAUPER.

Thursday evening, September 25th, "The Prince and Pauper" will be presented at Funke's by Daniel Frohman's original New To take first premium in our town, York company, under the personal direction of Al. Mayman. The dramatization of Mark Twain's popular story as interpreted by Elsie Leslie, the celebrated young actress, and an exceptionally strong company, was one of the leading events in the theatrical world east, and the play filled one of New York's popular theatres for months. "The Prince and Pauper" was They took first premium in a trice. pronounced by the New York Herald "the Herpolsheimer without any hoax since 'Little Lord Fauntleroy'." Little Miss Leslie is the most gifted young actress on the Was the finest shown for hand a way. stage, and her presentation of both Prince They took first premium and no mistake. Edward and Tom Canty, the pauper, is her Their Telephone is two fifty-three, cleverest work. The New York Herald says If you don't believe it hello and see, of Miss Leslie: "Elsie is a 'star' now. Dra- I haven't told you half I could matists write plays for her. She gets cur- But for tear you'll think it isn't good tain calls and has flowers thrown her. Before I will only say all who were there tain calls and has nowers thrown her. Before long we shall be expecting her to make her own speeches. She has been interviewed and to attend our fair sgain next fail.

and adulated till it is a marvel her little head has not been turned. But she has not lost her artlessness, thank Heaven. Her baby shoulders had plenty to bear in 'Fauntleroy' They are twice as heavily burdened in Mrs. R chardson's piece. In 'The Prince and the Pauper' she plays both the title parts and plays them well, with a nice sense of the difference between the lads. Nothing could be cleverer than her boyish assumptions of dignity in the scenes with Miles Hendon. King Henry himself was never haughtier than Elsie as she bids Miles 'wait on me, good fellow', and dubs him knight. Outte as clever

CHINATOWN NEXT SATURDAY.

Hoyt's new and popular farce-comedy man in the play, but it is none the less funny on that account. It has ranked with "A Texas Steer" and "The Midnight Bell" in pop-

EDEN MUSEE.

The Eden Musee was thronged as usual all this week; the attractions proving unusally taking. For the week commencing September 22d the management announce the following: Prof. Madden's educated talking dog "Boz," a most wonderful curiosity, by the way; the Beethoven Quartette, the sweet singing .southern serenaders; Bingham, the ventriloquist, with his wooden head family; Vittie Bingham, the child artist, in popular songs; Belle Verna, the lady facial artist, in her wonderful presentation, etc. These are

Some brought their hogs and cattle too To get the Premium and Ribbon Blue. ent senson is exceptionally talented. The cos-tuming and effects are also excellent. Funke's will be open two nights only next week—Thursday and Saturday. Bui haven't time to call your attention To all the ladies who won a prize,

The list is so long 'twould dazzle your eyes But I'd like to mention Mrs. Stein Who took the cake in the millinery line This lady from Omaha came down Now if you'll kindly with me call We'll take a peep into the Art Hall. Here Rudge & Morris had a fine display.

And got their diploma right away. Hardy & Pitcher in their line Took first premium for furniture fine. Don't be afraid to stake your mon-On A. M. Davis and his son, sweetest, rarest and priettiest of all the plays Took the premium on dry goods and cloaks. Among the rest THE COURTER's display Was the finest shown for many a day.

> Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 17, 1890. loved actors and playrights, died in New York City Thursday after a lingering illness of several months.

AUNT SAMANTHA.

The declining powers of ald age may be vonderfully recuperated and sustained by the daily use of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The man who said that it is "a feat to fit in another way is her issonciance as Tom the foot," said truly. This feat is, however, Canty. Tom handles his sceptre like a toy performed by Briscoe, the Shoe Man. He "10:30 to 11:30 a. m. Shampooing." A pro-York and the east but a few weeks ago. The fessional hair-dresser was provided, and ap-story is peculiarly entertaining, told as it is, one night only. and Edward wears his rags as if they were fits your feet and at the same time gives you ofdurability without the appearance of clumsiness. Even his heavy winter shoes are styl-ish. There is such a thing as a combination

of style, fit and durability, and Briscoe, the Chinatown" is booked for Funke's next Sat- Shoe Man, has the key to the combination urday. Strange to say there is not a China- He can show you some beautiful things in fall and winter wear. He carries a full line -that is a full line of the best goods-and if you are in search of a first class article at a reasonable price, his store should be your destination. Call and see some of the new things.

treatment on recommendation of physicians. of the arms on the breast Mrs. B. D. Catlin, office Latta block, South Eleventh street, room 6. Reference F. D. Crim, M. D. 9-20-41 ۹. .

Doctors Bailey & Goodell, 'office 1347 L tead" at the Boyd; the Standard Opera com-street. Telephone, 617. tead" at the Boyd; the Standard Opera com-pany in "Chimes of Normandy," "The Mas. cannot fail to be suited. all good people and patrons of the Musee next street. Telephone, 617.



THE NEW YORK PROMENADER,

Figure one is a wrap on the ulster order but made more dressy than the original. It is a smooth cloth of dark nickel grey, made with semi-loose fronts which are bordered with silver-fox in narrow bands. Under these is a close fitting vest front trimmed with diagonal rows of oxydized silver braid and fastened with small silver buttons. The deep braided cuffs are finished with a roll of the fur, and the ends of the silver-braided girdle have a tiny trimming to match. The high collar which is a feature of all the fall wraps and gowns, is edged with fur also. Then here we have one of

the first of April and is now in town renewing old acquaintances... He has been engaged in "writing up" towns in Illinois, and is still in the business. Yes; he says he likes "Lincoin better than any place he has seen."

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Frank Riseley, late proprietor of the Savery house at Des Moines, is one of the men who are willing to take the lease of the new Lincoln hotel. It is probable that Riseley or one of the Leland brothers will get the house. Either is competent to run our new caravan sary in a manner befitting the hotel and the city.

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Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the national women's christian temperance union, is expected in Lincoln Sept. 26,

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ira Highby, chief clerk of the Murray, Omaha, is another applicant for the lease of the Lincoln hotel. Mr. Highby, who is by the way, one of the best known hotel men in the state, was in the city Thursday. He was formerly, connected with both the Capital and Windsor and is desirous of returning to the Capital City. "It will be by all odds the fin-est house in the state," he said referring to the Lincoln. Should he secure the lease Dr. Kauffman of Omaha, will be associated with him in the management. It is understood that the annual rental will be in the neighborhood of \$18,000. The highest bidder will probably get the lease.

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THE COURIER acknowledges the receipt of Vanity Fair, Messrs. Cotton & Eenzinger's new paper. The paper aims to fill a new field in Lincoln and the state and is pushing forward to that end.

Grand Base Ball Excursion. Lincoln vs. Omaha.

On Sunday, September 21, the B. & M. will make a rate of one fare for the round trip for the benefit of those desiring to witness the annihilation of the Omaha aggregation on their own grounds by the "infants" of Lin-

This promises to be a wonderful game, both sides being determined to win or die in the at tempt.

Tickets at union depot or city office, corner O and Tenth streets. Leave your names at Ed Young's cigar stand, that an idea may be obtained as to the number of coaches that will be required to accommodate the excursionists. Remember the train leaves at 8a.m. sharp, returning, leaves Omaha at 6:40 p. m. Be on hand. A. C. ZIEMER,

City Passenger and Ticket Agent.

Yes, Louie Meyer & Co's, new stock of fail dark blue velvet is combined with the immense and the quality is unsurpassed. wool in the shape of a high collar extending People appreciate the convenience of a propin a point several inches below the chin, in a eriy conducted general merchandise store and V insertion from bust to waist, and in high patronize Lou'e Meyer & Co. liberally. They full puffs on the shoulders. The back is have everything in the way of dry goods, no-Mich., saniturium will administer massage covered with a cape which ends just in front tions, groceries, produce, etc., and everything is fresh. In groceries and produce all the staples at lowest prices, and in dry goods Omaka theatre goers have had the follows many new things are shown. All the ng list of attractions to select from this latest eastern novelties. The stock is fresh week: Denman Thompson's "Old Home- clear through. If you want good goods at

THE NEW BEDFERN TRAVELLING CLOAKS. Remember Briscoe, the Shoe Man in the Ex-position. made of a rough mixed goods, in large shaded plaids of dark blue and ecru. Some the supply is inexaustible. The quantity is

position. Miss C. J. Guilmette, modiste, second floor, Exposition building. Take elevator.

A professional masseur from Battle Creek.