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## A Metropolitan Idea

$\sigma$HE latent development of the modern tendeney toward centralization and consolidation is the department store The example of John Wanamaker in Philadelphia has been followed by leading merchants all over the country and today in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and, in fact, all of the more imporiant citien there are several of these great stores. LinCoin is not to be outdone and here we have at
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$O$ would reffect credit on Chicago Maxwell, Sharpe \& Ross are thoronghly imbued with metropolitan ideas, and their immense emporium, already so well known as The, Store, is an object lesson, of great advan age to tbe buyer, of a mudern combination atore. Patrons of this firm are not only anved the inconvenience of going all over the city for a few artucles, but are able to make
their purchases at prices very their purchases at prices very much lower
than those charged at ordinary stores, The massing of an immense stock of the principal classess of goods under one roof makes it posble for Maxwell, Sharpe \& Ross to buy chenper and sell cheaper than anybody. The Inrge double building is completely filied and in the varioux departments one can find ab-
most every article, both of luxury. On the firat floor are the following divisions: dry goods, west side front; boote and shoens, right center; hardware, right center wost side; tinware, east side; guns, amonunition and nyorting goods, east side front ; gents furnshing goods, west side rear; notions, west center front. The second floor cmbraces the following departments: cloaks,
west side front; furniture, On the third floor west side front; furniture. On the third floor
are: lamps, front: queensware, enst side are: lamps, front; queensware, enat side;
flour, meal, etc., west side rear: grocerien, west side front; toys, center. On the fourth floor are stoves, etc., and in the busoment are to be found iron, steel and heavy hardware and wagon wool stock.
Each department is under the supervision of a competent hend and rpecial attention is
given to keeping the departments filled with given to keebing the departments filled with
the newest and best geods. Forty people are employed to wait on customery and every one is assured of prompt and courteous attentions The departments upstairs are accessible by passenger elvvators and the grand staircare. The Store is the most elaborately equipped of any in the state, and nowhere this side of Chicago has the purchaser
equal facilities in buying the best goods at equal facilities in buying the best goods at
the lowest prices, The motto of the store is. "We sell cheaper than anybody." and the proprietors are determined that this motto shail be lived up to in every instance, no mntter at what cont to themselves. Messrs. Maxwell, Suaipe \& Ross are all experienced merchants and competent managers, and Th Store has been a triumphant success from the
very start. It is already one of the leading institutions of the city and no of the leading be allowed to visit Lincoln without seeing it. Visitors are always made welcome. No one is urged to buy.
The store is filled with holiday goods of al descriptions and should be visited by every one this week. The immense building on O street, near Sixteenth, is very centrally located and is convenient to all parts of the
city, and the delivery wagons are going out constantly to the remotest portions. It pays to patronize an establishment that sells "cheaper than anybody," and the people have found it out, judging by the crowds at The
Store. Slore.
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