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TOWN TALK

A prominent movement has developed among local wheelmen for the organization of a wheel club in Lincoln. In the old days when there were scarcely more than a score of bicycle riders in the city there was such an organization in existence, but due to its decline through mismanagement or lack of management, and at length gave up the ghost. There are now between 500 and 700 wheels owned in Lincoln, probably a fifth of them being used by ladies. J. E. Howe of the *Journal* has inaugurated a movement for the organization of a wheel club and is meeting with enthusiastic encouragement among wheelmen. About seventy-five have signified their desire to become members. It is proposed to rent a cottage somewhere on a paved street, wherein rooms can be established to be frequented by wheelmen from early morning until a reasonable hour at night, where luncheon can be secured and other comforts afforded. It is proposed to extend the privileges of the club rooms to ladies during specified days in the week. It is hoped that definite arrangements may be effected for the organization in time to permit its members to give a wheelmen's parade during the state fair.

The sanitary commission, which recently levied a four mill tax to be applied to the straightening of Salt Creek, appears to have fallen into a deep and abiding sleep. There is no reason why the work proposed should not begin at once, as the commission can now raise the money it needs simply by issuing its warrants. If any work is to be done in that direction soon, a most favorable season is at hand for its accomplishment, and people who are called upon to pay the tax levied will be more gratified to see it utilized than to realize that it may accumulate where some public official may enjoy a fat rate of interest upon it as a loan to some banking institution. This sanitary commission has exhibited a desire to see some work done toward straightening Salt Creek, even when citizens were apparently not at all anxious. Now that the levy has been made, it is the citizens who are likely to be anxious, and the commissioners may reasonably expect to be punched up occasionally.

The folding bed, which has made such rapid strides into popular favor during the past four or five years, is not without its drawbacks and disadvantages, especially in the hotels. When not in use it would be difficult to recognize in some of these modern designs anything upon which tired humanity might find rest. One day last week a guest at the Capital was shown to his room by a bell-boy, who carefully unfolded the beds, of which there were two in the room, for the use of the rural stranger. The next evening the guest, when he secured his key, remarked that he knew the room and need not be shown up. In due time, however, he presented himself again to the clerk, and it was at once apparent from his looks that he was out of humor. This is nothing surprising, however, to a hotel clerk, but when the guest assigned his reason the clerk was not only surprised, but upon reflection considerably amused.

"Didn't I pay you for a bed?" queried the stranger.
"You certainly did," was the reply.
"Well, what do you mean? Last night there were two beds in my room. Tonight I find that both beds have been removed and two organs put in."
That guest will never relate how inconceivably little he felt when the bell-boy accompanied him again to the room and unfolded for him one of the "organs" as a fountain of tired nature's sweet restorer, balmy sleep.

Beginning Monday next the most successful and largely attended state fair ever held in Nebraska will be witnessed in this city. Secretary Burnas and his corps of trained assistants, who have been holding forth in offices at the Hotel Lincoln, have never experienced anything like the deluge of entries that has kept them working night and day during the past week. It is in spite of the fact that there have been no sensational attractions advertised. Outside of the novel exhibits by the re-union of state bands and the \$10,000 to be distributed in speed purses, there are absolutely no novelties, excepting the "Last Days of Pompeii," which is so very connected with the fair. But the entries in all lines, agricultural, mechanical, artistic and otherwise, have swelled in to unexpected proportions, and with fair weather there can be no doubting that the attendance will keep pace. The effort made to secure some sensational specimen of turf royalty for exhibition on the track during the fair has developed one fact—that is that no really fine horse can be shown the people of the state fair grounds until the exposition association puts in a good mile track.

The last political state convention for the approaching campaign was held in this city last Tuesday, when the democrats nominated a ticket that presumes many elements of strength that are not to be ignored. Even Republicans of intense party feeling concede that it is a strong ticket. It is headed by Hon. J. Stalling Norton of Ash Grove, the name of his splendid rural home near Nebraska City. He is a pioneer, both as a citizen and politician, and a man of great mental parts and undoubted honesty and integrity. Withal he is an orator and debater of force and eloquence. He is backed by a ticket that is not calculated to win the support of the American Protective Association, which is opposed to foreigners and Catholics, but it will meet with favor among foreigners generally. Samuel N. Wolbach of Grand Island, the nominee for lieutenant governor, is an American born Jew. Frank N. Crow of Hastings, for secretary of state, is a traveling man in the employ of the McCormick Implement company. His nationality has not been learned. P. F. O'Sullivan of West

Point, for auditor, is a newspaper man whose nationality is indicated in his name. The candidate for state treasurer, Andrew Beckman of Burt county, is a wealthy Scandinavian farmer. Matt Gering of Platte county, candidate for attorney general, is a bright young German of fine legal education. One of the candidates for elector at large is Col. X. Piescki of St. Paul, a Polish exile and ex-army officer. As far as learned the remainder of the candidates are Americans, but the above variety promises to rally several nationalities to the support of the ticket in view of the threatening strength of the A. P. A. in politics. And with Morton and Bryan in the field the democrats will persist in believing their party in it until the votes are counted, at least.

Now that the Rock Island trains will probably soon be thundering across O street at Twentieth, the beauty and efficacy of that thoroughfare as a drive is soon to be a thing of the past. The query naturally arises, what do the people propose to do to atone for the loss? Out O street, down Twenty-seventh to R and back to the city over paved streets has been a popular and pleasant drive. Hereafter the drive must be in South Lincoln to be a safe one, and it is suggested that Eleventh and Seventeenth streets should be paved to South street and then connected. This would make a pleasant drive until some railroad wanted to cross that end of town, and then people could go in the country for recreation.

Hon. Louis Meyer has evinced considerable anxiety lest the cholera, now ravaging northern Europe, might secure a foothold in America and extend as far west as Nebraska. His fears have been fruitful of one good result. He has succeeded in impressing Mayor Weir with a conviction that the city needs cleansing. That official issued his proclamation on Tuesday calling attention to the accumulations of filth in alleys and other depositaries, and giving the people just five days in which to abate all violations of sanitary regulations. If any of THE COURIER'S readers are harboring refuse about their premises they may save embarrassment and unnecessary expense by cleaning it away at once. Meantime there is little necessity of becoming frightened over the likelihood of cholera in this section, but it will hurt nothing to guard against it. It is probable that the authorities will not permit any one to pass the American ports who would be likely to expose the country to infection or contagion.

The Clinton (Ia.) Daily Age, referring to the wedding of Mr. Henry R. Ecker of this city and Miss Lillian Hunting of Clinton, says: "As midsummer was merging into that pleasant of seasons, the golden autumn, which gives ripened fulfillment of springtime promises, how fitting that the promises of youth should be fulfilled with the solemn and budding wedding promises. Thus were the promises of Mr. Henry R. Ecker of Lincoln, Neb., fulfilled with Miss Lillian Tenbroeck, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hunting, the ceremony occurring Wednesday evening, at their well known Second avenue home, amid the presence of a large number of the friends of the family, as well as some of those of the groom, who had reached the city in response to pretty wedding invitations. The bride was charmingly attired in pale blue crystal silk, cut round neck and pointed train. It was handsomely trimmed with lace and a lover's knot gave grace and finish to the back. The bride carried a handsome white ostrich fan and wore blue kid gloves and slippers. She has been complimented many times in social circles for her beauty and accomplishments, yet she never looked more lovely than last evening. The bridesmaid was costumed in cream silk, V front and back, round train and trimmed with French lace. A beautiful lady, she never looked prettier, and many admiring eyes were bent on the two different types of loveliness. When all had extended their well wishes and departed, busy preparations were made for Mr. and Mrs. Ecker to take the early train for Chicago. After visiting briefly there they go to Milwaukee by steamer, then to Chippewa Falls, where they will spend a week or two in this pretty northern resort enjoying all the pleasures the country place will afford. From there they go to Minnetonka, Minneapolis, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Omaha and then to Lincoln, where they will be at home after September 10th. The bride needs no introduction in Clinton, where she has lived since childhood, and where she has been a recognized star in her social circle since entering society. The groom is a stranger in Clinton. He has spent several years of his life in Lincoln, Neb., where he is engaged in mercantile pursuits, being the junior member of the firm of Wilson & Ecker, druggists. The Age can but add its earnest wishes with many other friends, that in life's sunset glow their thoughts may return to youth and its bright prospects, knowing that all had been fulfilled."

A FIVE MONTHS' WONDER.
The Western Normal College Will Open on Schedule Time.
In these times nothing seems to be wonderful and such irregularly occurring events as being the junior member of the firm of Wilson & Ecker, druggists, the Age can but add its earnest wishes with many other friends, that in life's sunset glow their thoughts may return to youth and its bright prospects, knowing that all had been fulfilled."

Beautiful Fall Wraps.
No store in Lincoln has the display of fall cloaks and wraps to compare with that now being shown by the Bazar. Their line is now all in and embraces all the very latest of the new season, including a number of genuine novelties that can nowhere else be found. No lady can afford to buy a cloak without first visiting the Bazar. Their reputation for low prices and as leaders of the fashion has long since been established.
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Lincoln capital and enterprise can do in this little world of ours.

And this is not all. While the builders have been at work on the college other improvements have likewise been progressing. A street car line is now being completed and ere another week rolls by the electric motor will propel handsome passenger coaches to and from the new centre of education. And yet this is not all, for the telegraph ticker and the hello telephone are also on the ground and ready for service. In fact, they have already been in active operation and much to their credit, may it be said, is due the faithful performance of the builders' contra t.

The furniture has all arrived and is now being placed in position, the cookery department is on hand and in fact every facility is moving right into place, easy, systematically and correctly.
An important study at the college will be the art of typography and printing.



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and it will be the only place in the west where this interesting branch of work will be successfully instructed. Complete printing office utensils and accessories used in "the art preservative" has been received and the school will soon turn out artists and learners, editors by the score. We might continue giving a list of goods for various departments that have arrived, but it would consume too much of both your and our valuable time, likewise space, which to say the least is very valuable these state fairs.
It would, however, be a dire negligence were we to close this article without mentioning the fact that nearly all the teachers are here and have already reported for duty. Scholars, also, numbering 131, have registered thus far ahead and students continue to arrive from all parts of these great United States. An inspection of the roll shows over 1,000 names and their homes represent states and territories east, west, north and south.
Everything is about in readiness for the grand opening of the great Western Normal and certainly no institution in the universe ever opened its doors with brighter prospects. And it might be added—has any business enterprise ever been started that deserves it more!

A Rush Previous to Fair Week.
The past week has been a busy one at Louis Meyer & Co.'s popular store. State fair orders and orders for state fair supplies have crowded in on the large force of gentlemanly clerks until the place was a veritable beehive. Low prices and goods always as represented is what counts in the long run and thus the trade becomes accustomed to the methods of L. Meyer & Co.'s dealings. They seldom even ask the price of goods any more, knowing by past experience that the firm has but one price and that the lowest; that a man buys no cheaper than a child and therefore all get the same treatment. You never hear of anything stolen or impure coming from Meyer's grocery department—no, they sell too many goods for that. Fresh goods constantly take the place of those sold, and it don't pay to pan off impure articles on first-class trade. You'll probably have a number of guests about your festive board during fair week—why dot go to Meyer's this evening or first thing Monday and lay in a supply for the week before the great rush of next week commences!

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THEATRICAL

[Special Courier Correspondence.]
NEW YORK, Aug 27, 1892.—In spite of the fact that the daily papers are filled with reports of battles and lockouts and strikes which make it appear as if the country was again distressed with war, the happy metropolis bloomed out on Monday evening with four new plays and the theatres have been well attended by the multitude that have come back from woodland and seaside, to swelter in the tail-end of the heated season. The most pronounced popular success was no doubt achieved by Miss Katie Emmett, a bright-faced magnetic lady of very agreeable personality, who at once danced and sang herself into immense metropolitan favor in a new play called Killarney, written for her



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by Con. T. Murphy. There has been no better Irish play seen in Gotham since the days when Honeymoon walked on the same stage in his great successes, and the Star theatre has been packed in consequence. It is in many degrees better than the usual Irish drama. Miss Emmett is graceful and natural in all her movements, and certainly the most winning of all the actresses in Irish dialect of our time.
"The Kentucky Colonel" produced at the Union Square theatre by Mr. McKee Rankin and Frederick Bryton is sure to win success and be ranked with Mr. Rankin's greatest successes, "The Danites" and "The Canuck." It is the story originally produced by Mr. Ople P. Reid in a very clever manner, and most of the character bits in the play are exceedingly well rendered. Mr. Rankin looks and plays the part of the Colonel to perfection, and Mr. Bryton's work in the very best he has been seen in. On the first night there were a few hitches in the performance and at least two of the people have been miscast. When this is remedied and the play runs smoothly its worth will be appreciated, and as to its ultimate success, both as a work of art and as a money producer, there is absolutely no doubt.
The two other plays are "The Kid" at the Columbus and "The Colonel" at the Windsor. The first a farce comedy with a succession of vaudeville specialties, the latter a comedy done some years ago in New York by Eric Bailey and an English company. If the first pulls through it will be because of the many clever specialists who interpret it, and if the latter swings successfully around the circle it will be nothing short of a miracle.

Following were the important attractions this week in New York. The Vice Admiral at the Casino, Vaudeville at Tony Pastor's, the Henry E. Dixey Opera Co. in the Mascot at Palmer's theatre, A Trip to Chinatown at the Madison Square, Settled out of Court at the Fifth Avenue theatre, Sinbad at the Garden theatre, The Shamrock at the Windsor, The White Squadron at the Fourteenth Street theatre, De Wolf Hopper in Wang at the Broadway theatre, The Private Secretary at the Standard theatre, The Kentucky Colonel at the Union Square theatre, and Katie Emmett in Killarney at the Star theatre.

The engagement of John T. Kelly, the star of the "McFee of Dublin" company, at Funke's opera house next week, recalls an incident that befel him in Sacramento, Cal., last season when he was starring in "U and I." This was the way of it: Mr. Kelly sings a topical song, the refrain of which runs to the effect that "there are women to whom I'd like to be alone." In order to give the song a local favor the comedian generally found out the weaknesses of several prominent people in the town and at night the audience was told in verse and melody under what conditions and circumstances John Doe and Richard Roe "would like to be alone." He was in the billiard room of the Golden

Eagle hotel when he heard one of his victims claim that if he could only catch sight of Kelly he'd put daylight through him. Kelly heard this most distinctly and therefore made tracks and succeeded in eluding his pursuer. Next morning the company went to the depot to take the train for San Francisco. There stood John Doe with blood still in his eye. The air was biting cold, but cold air is preferable to cold lead, so Mr. Kelly hid behind a water tank for twenty minutes. In the meantime a considerable member of the company told the man who thirsted for gore that the comedian had concluded to remain in Sacramento until the next train. The fire eater immediately marched up town to continue his chase, while Mr. Kelly immediately boarded the Pullman and locked himself in the drawing room.

ROBERT DOWNING TOMIGHT.
The grand formal opening of the Funke occurs tonight and certainly no better attraction could have been secured for the occasion. The bill will be Mr. Downing's superb tragedy, "The Gladiator," which will be given a most brilliant and careful presentation. Mr. Downing's support includes Miss Eugenie Blair and a picked company of truly meritorious artists, equal to the best that walk the boards. The sale of seats has been large and the opening promises to be a gala event.

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We present on our first page this week the portrait of a lady whose face and figure are so familiar to theatre goers throughout America as to render it unnecessary to place her name under the portrait. She is not only a handsome woman and an excellent actress, but an accomplished vocalist and musician as well. Her many admirers will have an opportunity this week of seeing her in a varied line of characters, as four of Milton Nobles' famous plays will be presented during this engagement. Monday and Tuesday the new play, "For Evermore Only," will be given; Tuesday and Friday, "A Son of Thespis." In this play Dollie Nobles has an interesting and most lovable character in the actor's daughter, Dorothy Goodall, which she plays with delightful abandon and contagious vivacity. Wednesday and Saturday the bill will be changed to "From Sire to Son." In this Dollie Nobles gives an exquisite performance of the dual role of Mable Armitage, mother and daughter. It is a stage realization that one will not encounter many times during the lifetime of an average theatre goer. No one who sees Mrs. Nobles in the character of Mable Armitage is likely to soon forget the pretty picture of purity and innocence she presents. To the man of the world who has come in contact with life on this stained earth in all its phases, it seems like the glimpse of an angel, a breath of heaven, a vision or a dream, rather than reality. The man who has gazed upon this picture must indeed be a hardened wretch if he is not touched by it.

DE LANGE & RISING'S "TANGLED UP."
This is the attraction at the Funke Monday and Tuesday evening, preceded by a one-act curtain raiser, "Why?" written by Burr McIntosh, a former Pittsburg newspaper man. Louis DeLange and Will S. Rising branched out as stars last season in this bright and humorous musical farce which is from the French. The name is appropriate, as the entire dramatic personae is kept thoroughly at cross purposes and most hopelessly tangled up through two acts, and are barely given a chance to get themselves identified and straightened out before the final curtain falls. Musical interruptions occur at intervals not too remote to let the audience forget that the two stars, Mr. Rising especially, have good voices. Alexander Clark, late with the Greenwood Opera company, Agnes Stone, sister to Marie Stone, and formerly of the Duff Opera company, Lottie Mortimer, a petite subrette and danseuse who introduced in the second act of "Tangled Up" her famous serpentine dance, the latest dancing fad, and has created a positive sensation. Seats are now on sale at the box office.

FOUR NIGHTS OF FAIR WEEK.
One of the most successful comedy productions that has been brought out in the past few years will be seen at Funke's Wednesday evening and the remainder of the week, in the appearance of the popular Irish comedian, John T. Kelly, in his new musical comedy, "McFee of Dublin." Mr. Kelly is known to everyone versed in things pertaining to the stage as being such an excellent rank of his profession, and his new play is the success of his life. His supporting company is the best he has ever had, including Mattie Vickers, Florrie West and others. Reports from the Sullivan-Corbet fight on Wednesday evening will be received by wire and read from the stage between acts.

LINCOLN PARK ATTRACTIONS.
This has been a busy week with the management of Lincoln park. Elaborate preparations have been going on for fair week, and the crowds that go there will be royally entertained. The grounds never looked better, nor have the attractions been of a brighter or more interesting order. The Boston Opera Company will continue their series of superb operas. Tomorrow will be a big day there and preparations for a big crowd have been made. The well known York band which is now doing such excellent work at Pompeii will give a concert. No brack's crack military organization, the Omaha Guards, will present a series of their much talked of drills. Aside from this the opera company will furnish interesting programs both morning and evening.

THEATRICAL SMALL TALK.
Sol Smith Russell opened his season August 8th in Denver to \$1,578.
Henry E. Dixey will play Banthrons in "Mascot" next week in New York.
Both theatres were dark this week, which is generally the case previous to the fair.
No brighter theatrical prospect has ever dawned on the west—presidential contest notwithstanding.
Irvine's new orchestra and Robert Downing will open the Funke opera house season tonight. Both will be worth going miles to see and hear.
Lincoln certainly has a ple amusement to offer to its visitors next week aside from the

fair. Two theatres, a museum, a magnificent spectacle, "The Last Days of Pompeii," opens at Lincoln park, Burlington Bench, and numerous other attractions.
J. K. Emmett's season begins in New York September 8th.

Fay Tompkinson has once more broken a contract, this time with Hoyt & Thomas.

The court scene in "A Temperance Town" is now said to be one of the best hits ever written by Mr. Hoyt.

Fanny Davenport is yet among the hills of Wales which she will not leave until the excitement of the presidential election is over.

The Last Days of Pompeii last night was another evidence of what western, and particularly Lincoln, enterprise can undertake and do. Nothing seems to be too great for the giant capital city to successfully manage.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from ten drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

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The firm has just added an extensive line of kitchen utensils and other household commodities and necessities which by September 15th will be complete and to say the least, the largest ever shown in the city. The firm will pay particular attention to this new department, while their stove, range and furnace business will receive even closer attention than ever. Messrs. H. J. Hall & Bro. make a specialty of hotel and restaurant outfits and can supply anything, even to the smallest detail, for this purpose. Being thoroughly posted in the business and backed by years of personal experience, the advantage of trading with such an institution is apparent to all.

Messrs. H. J. Hall & Bro. are now permanently in the retail business and having unequalled facilities for doing business, and with pleasant and advantageous inducements to offer all, hope to merit the patronage of all their friends and a liberal share of the public's favors in general. They invite you to call at their store, 1308 O street, at any time—early and often. And by the way it might be mentioned in this connection that the firm has a large shop in connection with their establishment where all kinds of tin and metal work is promptly made to order, and all sorts of repairing neat, quickly and artistically done by skillful hands.