ECHOES FROM THE ANTE-ROOM

The Pas Week Among the Mystic Orders.

THE SCOTTISH RITE IN NEBRASKA

Inauguration of the Ancient and Ac-L cepted Scottish Rite Order of Masonry in Nebraska-The Inauguration Exercises-Grips.

Listen.

If anything unkind you hear, About some one you know, my dear (brother) Do not, I pray you, it repeat, When you that some one chance to meet; For sad news has a leaden way Of clouding o'er a sunny day,

But if you something pleasant hear About some one you know, my dear (brother) Make haste-to make great haste 'twere

weli-To her or him the same to tell; For such news has a golden way Of lighting up a cloudy day.

LIBERAL FREEMASON.

Scottish Rite Masonry. During the past week a new order and degree of Masonry has been established within this state, the headquarters of which will be this city. The order is known as the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. The first seeds of this branch of masonry were sown in this state about three years ago, and since that time they have been germinating, sprouting and growing until during the past week they have borne fruit, the harvest of which was gathered last Thursday in the initiation

of about eighty members and the installa-tion of the officers of the new lodge.

A HISTORY OF THE ORDER.
The ancient accepted Scottish Rite, while not claiming that its origin is lost in the mist of antiquity, can trace the hist ry of its most important grades, in an organized form, back into the preceding century, and in a de-tached form to the fourteenth century. It is the most universal of all the rites of freemasonry. It numbers among its members a multitude of the most intelligent and re-

nowned men of every country where free-masonry is known and practiced. In 1725: The ancient accepted Scottish Rite of masonry was first instituted in France under the name of the Rite of Perfection, consisting of twenty-five degrees, the last one being that of Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, corresponding to the pres ent 32d degree. In 1807: The sovereign grand consistory

ancient and accepted Scottish Rite for the United States of America, their territories and dependencies, by virtue of patents emanating from the grand orient of France, was organized and established in New York city by Ill. Bro. Joseph Ceraeau, the regular commissioned deputy inspector general of the grand orient of France, and on the 25th of May, 1812, the supreme council of sover-eign grand inspector general of the 33d degree for the United States of America, their territories and dependencies was opened with high honors of Masonry in the city of New York, with its numbers of officers complete, and notice thereof, with copies of the patents under which it was created, were duly sent to all the known supreme masonic bodies of the world, which was fol lowed by the most ample recognitions, which have never been withdrawn. • In 1813 E. De la Motta, one of the founders

of the Charleston council, came to New York, and observing the success of the su-preme council of 1812 already established, preme council of 1812 already established, proceeded to communicate the grades to one J. J. J. Gourgas (who became secretary) and a few others, and to organize the so-called northern council; it prospered fairly until 1817, when it dissolved. In 1848 it was resurrected by the old secretary J. J. J. Gourgas. In 1860 a split of the so-called northern council into two factions occurred. The order experienced a number of important changes during the years from 1812 to 1844. changes during the years from 1812 to 1844, but its officers and members were always firm and true to their work as the great success of the order up to the present time

In 1844: The grand commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio, adopted section 13, article 1, statutes, acknowledging "the Supreme Council 38° Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite." The only supreme council then in active existence in the United States was that of 1812, to which these bodies owe

In 1881: This supreme council of 1812 elected the Lieutenant Grand Commander Illustrious Brother Hopkins Thompson as grand commander, and since that time the rite has been steadily growing and prosper-ing, north and south, east and west, knowing no north nor no south. It is opposed to al forms of absolutism or one-man power. It is opposed to all doctrine that infringes on each individual's right to liberty of thought worship with what church, or belong to what rite he may choose. This rite is governed by a republican constitution and its government is a representative one; all the officers are

THE ORDER IN NEBRASKA. The work of establishing a lodge of the order in this state has been prosecuted in a quiet way for over a year and finally sufficient names were secured and a petition for-warded to the grand east of the supreme council, located in the city of New York, which having secured a favorable approval, the illustrious deputy announced his intention to be present in person and officiate in

the institution of the several bodies.

Tuesday was designated for the important event on which date there were present the event on which date there were present the following distinguisned members of the rite III. John G. Barker, 33°, deputy for the supreme council; III. G. A. Frambes, 33°, commander in chief of the grand consistory of Ohio; III. E. N. B. Evarts, 33°, commander-in-chief of the grand consistory of lowa; III., E. Junius Edwards, 33°, past commander-in-chief of the grand consistory of Minnesota, together grand consistory of Minnesota, together with a number of brothers from the above-mentioned states. At 3 o'clock the class, consisting of petitioners, assembled, when me degrees from the 4th to 14th were worked in full form and the ceremonies, with the robes and paraphernalias, the property of the grand consistory of Ohio, which had been forwarded by that body for use on the occasion. The intermediate degrees were communicated and in the evening the degrees of the council of princes were worked in

At 9 a. m. Wednesday the petitioners were again assembled, when the third series were also worked in full ceremony, followed by the degrees of the council of Kadosh.

In the afternoon the degrees of the consistory, embracing the 32° were worked, concluding with the initiatory ceremony. The bodies of the rite were then instituted as follows: Omaha L. of P., C. of P., Chap. of R. & L., Council of Kadosh, 30°.

THE CHARTER MEMBERS.

The gentlemen who were initiated as charter members of the order were: Alex Atkinson, Max J. Baehr, R. W. Bailey, A. E. Barnes, J. B. Barnes, R. W. Breckeuridge, John T. Bressler, Siren F. Briggs, E. C. Brooks, J. H. Brown, M. E. Burlingim, A. T. Chapin, R. W. Clayton, C. E. Cord, Murray J. Cox, C. K. Cull, F. K. Dearborn, F. M. Dorsey, C. O. Fisher, F. C. Fuller, F. H. Gentsch, R. C. Hasson, D. B. Hendricks, John W. Hitchcock, F. C. Hills, George B. Hoit, Otto Hoese, Cyrus T. Hunter, W. THE CHARTER MEMBERS. ricks, John W. Hitchcock, F. C. Hills, George B. Hoit, Otto Hoese, Cyrus T. Hunter, W. J. Hughes, W. N. Huse, E. C. Jackson, E. M. Johnson, T. L. Heeley, John Nicholson, George M. O'Brien, H. C. Osterman, E. E. Perrine, J. H. Roman, E. Rosewater, E. E. Shumway, H. P. Shumway, C. C. Sedgwick, F. B. Seeley, C. R. Kelsey, Charles W. Kyle, John S. Lewis, jr., P. P. Linkhart, J. B. Livingston, F. N. Luce, John T. Marriott, J. W. McHugh, C. H. McEckron, L. N. Merriam, Adolph Meyer, H. R. Miller, H. B. Slater, Thomas W. Shillington, R. Smith, George S. Smith. M. Shillington, R. Smith, George S. Smith, Ira Thomas, T. G. Thomas, M. Thomsen, J. T. Thomsen, H. V. VanVelson, E. H. Vaien-tine, M. M. Vanborne, C. C. Wales, E. W. Whipple, R. N. Wells, M. C. Wilson, G. D.

THE OFFICERS.
The officers elected and installed ofor the

four degrees of Scottish Rite at their meet-Dr. L. A. Merriam, thrice potent grand master of the lodge of perfection.

Alexander Atkinson, sovereign prince grand master council of princes of Jerusa-

William McHugh, most wise and perfect

A. C. Osterman, illustrious commander council of Kadosh,

THE BANQUET The installation and inaugural exercises concluded with a grand love feast at the Millard hotel Wednesday evening at which the brothers of the order met to add one and the brothers of the order met to add one and the last impression of pleasure to the inaug-ural initiatory exercises of the past two days. The tables were arranged with great taste and at 8 o'clock seventy-five of the members of the order took their seats to do justice to the viands that had been prepared for the

After an hour and a half spent in feasting the body, Dr. L. A. Merriam, the newly elected vice grand potent grand master as toast master addressed the brothers in a few well directed remarks in regard to the secret well directed remarks in regard to the solution of orders of the land. At the conclusion of his remarks he announced as the first toast, "The Grand Lodge of Nebraska," was responded to by Judge J. B. braska," was responded to by Judge J. B. Barnes of Ponca, past grand master. The judge spoke briefly of the history of the body. It was organized about twenty-five years ago and now has 250 lodges. Its first grand master was Brother Jordan, and since then men high in official plane and dig-nity had striven for and won that honor. The grand lodge was poor in purse at the start, but is now rich, and has thousands of mem

"The supreme council for the United "The supreme council for the United States of America and their territories and dependencies," was responded to by illustrious brother John G. Barker, of New York, general deputy and secretary general of the supreme council. This body, he said, began almost with the century. Its original members were the leading Masons of New York, such men as De Witt Clinton. At its foundation it assured the grand lodge that it had not come to interfere with the biue lodge. One of its first acts was to establish the One of its first acts was to establish the Knights Templar, and the first American body of the latter was organized from its members. It has established a supreme counci a South America and numerous consistoric in the United States. There is no doubt of the legitimacy and the authority of this body. It knows no north, no south, no cast, no west. Its platform is liberty, equality and frater-nity. The grand consistory of Nebraska is welcomed to the fellowship of the supreme

Colonel G. A. Frambes, of Columbus, O. was introduced as the illustrious com-mander-in-chief and the giant warrior of Ohio. He spoke at length with "The Grand Consistory of Ohio." as a text. He said the original consistory was organized as a bod; of the Scottish Rite of the northern jurisdiction. He found that to be monarchical and arbitrary in its sway, and he then affiliated with the southern jurisdiction but with un-satisfactory results. The consistory under this jurisdiction was organized in 1884 and has thirty-three subordinate bodies with 1,500 members, while the Scottish rite of the northern jurisdiction is thirty-five years old and has but nineteen bodies with 1,300 mem-

"The Grand Consistory of Minnesota" was esponded to by Mr. E. J. Edwards, jr., of Minneapolis, past illustrious commander-in chief, who spoke briefly. He said the Minne-sota consistory was organized four years ago with seventy members and now has 300, Mr. N. B. Edwards, of Webster City, spoke briefly to the toast, "The Grand Consistory of Iowa."

"The Masonry of America" was spoken to by Past Master H. C. Atkinson, of this

city.
"The Ladies" was responded to by Brother
Ralph Breckenridge, of Omaha. The festivities of the evening concluded at 11 o'clock, and the brothers of the new order, after saying good night to the centlemen who have done so much toward instituting the order at this place and in this state, left for their homes.

The Other Side's Statement. With reference to the newly organize Scottish Rite bodies a prominent Mason said: "Nebraska has for twenty-one years been occupied by the supreme council of the southern jurisdiction and has been working under General Albert Pike, as grand com-mander, and what is termed the Gerneau Rite has lately been established as a new organization. This organization has been recently denounced by all bodies of Scottish Rite Masons in Europe and America as clandestine, and its diploma as worthless. The Masonic Dictionary says: In 1-13, in New York City, he (Gerneau) established a spurious body. This Masonic Charlatan, who claimed the right to organize bodies of the A. and A. Scottish Rite, was expelled and his pretensions denounced by the legal supreme council, and he and his followers have for years given much trouble to the Scottish Rite bodies.'

"This Cerneau organization has been de clared by numerous grand lodges, chapters and commanderies as a spurious and clandes tine organization and has been denied part nership in Masonic buildings. The bait of cheap degrees has been used to tempt the ignorant and unsuspecting into its toils. The peddlers of these degrees are the best judges of their value and it is evident to the unprejudiced that they are dear at any price. The conferring of these degrees requires up the 322 over two years time and the 332 is seldom conferred in the regularly organized podies except as a great honor; and yet all these degrees in the spurious bodies were ob-tained in two days. It looks certain that 'there is something rotten in Denmark.'' "In addition to the foregoing facts, the Masonic grand lodge of Ohio, at its December session, 1887, declared the Cerneau bodies to be spurious, illegal and cladestine. and further declared the northern and south ern jurisdictions of the A. and A. Scottish Rite as represented by General Palmer and by General Albert Pike, to be the only legally organized bodies of the kind in the United States. This statement is made not for purposes of controversy but to warn masons generally against falling into a snare assuming obligations to an organization which is ostracised among all Scottish Rite

masons the world over and has been de nounced by every grand lodge of the York Rite before which its unmasonic character has been formally presented."

A Pythian Officer. George B. Shaw, who was clevated to the high and honorable position of supreme vice chancelior of the Knights of Pythias order, was born in Alma, Allegany county, N. Y., March 12, 1854. He became an active member of the order during its infancy in Wisconsin, being initiated in Eau Claire lodge, No. 16, of Eau Chaire, of which he is still a member. He was elected grand prelate of the grand lodge of Wisconsin in 1876, grand chancellor in 1877, supreme representative in 1878, supreme inner guard in 1880, supreme master-at-arms in 1882, and re-elected in 1884, and in 1887 the grand lodge again elected him supreme representative. Brother Shaw is a nember of the very extensive lumber firm. the Daniel Shaw Lumber company, and is also associated with many other large public interests in Eau Claire. He is at present mayor of the city. No man, either in his grand lodge or in the supreme body, possesses a more extended acquaintance or a larger number of warm friends than George B. Shaw—he is a welcomed and honored guest wherever he goes, and among the order in the Badger state he is a universal favorite. Brother Shaw is a man of affairs, always genual, cheerful and happy, possessing fine conversational powers and a well-stored

Will Enter the Prize Drill. The competition prize drill at the meeting of Odd Fellows at Cincinnati promises to be very interesting. The following entries have been made, and are published in the order in which they were received: Cantons-Marion No. 6, Indiana; Atkins No. 1, Kentucky; Ohio No. 1, Ohio; Lucas No. 3, Ohio; Worombus No. 1, Maine; Occidental No. 1, Illinois; Excelsior No. 7, Illinois; Washington No. 6, Massachusetts; Haleyon No. 10, Iowa: Hope No. 17, Michigan; Covington No. 4. Kentuckyt Clay Center No. 8, Kansas; Lucerne No. 16, Massachusetts; Detroit No. i. Michigan: Newport No. 12, Kentucky; Marysville No. 2, Kentucky, Battalions— First Separate battalion of Massachusetts, First battalion, First regiment of Illinois, and First Separate battalion of Kentucky. Eight cantons and one battalion, not included in the above roster, have informally signified their intention of entering the contest, but as yet the written entries have not been received. It is altogether probable that the number of cantons entering the contest will be from twenty-five to thirty, and possibly as many as four battalions will com

The Patriarchal Prizes. At a prize drill of the Patriarchal circle, held recently in Chicago, Ridgely temple, of Bloomington, was awarded first prize, while

Grand Rapids temple, of Michigan, and Deflance (Ohio) temple captured the second and third prizes respectively. It was voted to make no change in the uniform of the knights.

Among the newly elected officers for the Supreme temple for the ensuing year are Supreme temple for the ensuing year are Alexander Donald, of St. Paul, supreme oracle; Dr. C. H. Lovewell, of Englewood, supreme vice oracle; Samuel Williams, of Rochester, N. Y., supreme commander, while M. T. Kreuger, of Michigan City, was re-elected supreme secretary. The supreme temple voted to meet next year in Chicago, when four battalions are promised from Minnesota, Wisconsin and New York, Many matters of interest relative to the governments of interest relative to the governments. matters of interest relative to the government and improvement of the order wer discussed and the session was voted a most profitable one in every particular.

Quarterly Reports and Elections. George B. Katzenstein, grand secretary of the Independent Order of Good Templars, has issued an official circular under date of 10th inst., calling the attention of lodges to the quarterly and annual reports now due, Also calling attention to the election of representatives to the grand lodge, which meets resentatives to the grand lodge, which meets at Santa Rosa on October 2 next, and which must be held on the second meeting in the month of August. Reference is also made to the history of the life of the late John B. Finch, R. W. G. T., which has been printed, and is now on sale. The introduction to the volume was written by Francis E. Willard, and tributes are written by Rev. Joseph Cook, Samuel D. Hastings and others. Besides being a splendid literary production, it is profusely illustrated and should be in the library of not only every member of the library of not only every member of the order, but the public in general.

The Cincinnati Prizes. The military council of the Patriarcia Militant, I. O. O. F., will meet in Cincinnati, July 24, and be in session four days. During the session there will be a cantonment of the army, and a number of competitive drills. For this purpose, \$10,000 will be offered in prizes by a committee of citizens in that city, and in addition the following prizes have been given: The Pettibone Manufacturing company, and stand of P. M. colors and a battalion flag valued at \$500; Duhme & Co., a diamond set jewel, valued at \$3.0; Ficheimer & Brother, a regulation P. M. banner, valued at \$250; Mabley & Carew, a regulation P. M. banner, valued at \$100; Order of the set of t ler of Cincinnatus, eash prize, \$200; Cohen , Co., \$100 in printing. All of the cantons in the United States east of the Rocky moun-tains have been ordered to report there.

An Elks' Lodge at Des Moines. Thirty-one of the members of the lodg f of Elks of this city will leave for Des Moines next Priday to institute a new lodge in that city. The charter list of the capital city of the prohibition state consists of thirty-two of the most prominent men of the city. The roll is headed by a senator's name. The installation exercises will be conducted by D. P. E. G. Francis of the Omaha lodge.

Grip Notes. Twenty-four deaths have been semi-of-ficially reported in the Royal Arcanum since the last call.

William Bickford, of Pine Island, Minn., is ninety years old and has been a Mason sixty-four years. Up to the first day of July the Knights of Honor had paid to the widows and orphans

of dead members \$24,023,845.04. The largest amount received on any one assessment of the Knights of Honor during 1887 was \$132,897.70. This sum was paid on

Only one death has been reported in the A. O. U. W. since June 10. That came on the 3d, and will necessitate an assessment August I.

The grand lodge K. of P. of Kentucky offers \$2,500 in prizes for the best division at the grand lodge session in Lauisville in September next. Grand Lodge assessment 18 of the United Endowment as sociation has been paid in and aggregates \$7,586.95 from 3,157 members, the

membership May 31. Thirty-eight thousand dollars was distributed among the beneficiaries of deceased members of the A. O. U. W. in the jurisdic-tion of Illinois last month.

There are now in the United States and Canada over twenty thousand Select Knights of the A. O. U. W., of which number New York state has about one-tenth. The Georgia jurisdiction of the A. O. U

W., although it has at present but 1,700 mem bers, is delighted that it has been set apart, and promises soon to reach the 2,000 merk. A telegram from La Grange, Ky., states that the celebrated oriental traveler and Masonic past grand master of Kentucky. Rob Morris, L. L. D., was stricken with par alysis, and his life is despaired of. Representatives to the next session of the

rand lodge I. O. O. F., at Springfield, Ills who may wish to gain admission to the R bekah degree convertion will have to b nembers in good standing of a Rebekah de gree lodge. The epaulettes worn by the members of the supreme lodge Chevaliers of Pythias

cost \$25 a pair and the sword \$30. Near! all the members have ordered their uniforms When complete they will present a magnifi cent appearance. The prizes for the Patriarchs Militant I. O. F. inter-department competitive drill con-O. F. inter-department competitive drill con-sist of three classes: Jewels to the officers

in command of winning organizations; ban ners and flags, etc., to the successful brig ade, battalions and cantons. Supreme Protector Milburn of the Knights and Ladies of Honor has made a decision declaring that the age for social members shall be from eighteen to sixty-five years

members under eighteen years of age. Supreme Reporter Nelson, of the Knight of Honor, has forwarded the bound proceed ings of the fiftieth annual meeting of the su preme lodge, held in Cleveland, O., last May It is another of those documents so credit: ble to this efficient officer, containing 32 pages of matter of the most valuable char

acter, in reference to this great fraternity As near as can be estimated by the record there are now \$1,373 members in the Roya Arcanum order in good standing. This does not include members initiated whose appl cations are in the hands of secretaries or or their way to headquarters, of which there may be safely understood to be about one hundred and fifty. There are now 107 coun

Representative Young, of the A. O. U. W. of Kentucky (which state has always been attached to the supremo lodge beneficiary jurisdiction), has often said that he hoped the day would come when he would ask, re ferring to this or that legislation: "How w that affect us separate jurisdictions?" etc. The day has come, and Kentucky,like Texas, Indiana, Georgia and the rest, is a separate jurisdiction.

For the past six months, there have been welve assessments levied in the American Legion of Honor, which is one more than assessment about \$5,500 goes to the guaran tee fund, while about \$10,000 of the sum has been used in payment of sick bene fits; the balance to pay death claims. This compares very favorably with other organizations for the same thing.

Supreme Secretary C. W. Harvey of the Knights and Ladies of Honor writes as fol-"A custom has grown up in subord the office of secretary and financial secre tary. There is no authority in our constitu for this, and if this has been done, then efore the installation takes place correct the error. The secretary has no more right to act as financial secretary than has the protector.

The oft-repeated assertion that in a series of years the death rate in the New England states among the Knights and Ladies of Honor would equal that of the south seems likely to be verified within the year, the July assessment call having three deaths in Massachusetts and but one in Texas. The mortality rate in the order has decrease from 17.83 a thousand in 1878 to 8.46 pc cent in 1887; total number of deaths to date 2,579; amount paid for benefits, \$3,272,047.95

The supreme council of the Royal Arcanum has levied assessment 110 (subordinate council 111), dated 2nd inst., on deaths 3178 to 3198 inclusive, a total of twenty-six losses. ew York 5, Massachusetts 3, Indiana 2, and Virginia, Tennessee, Missouri, Maryland, Illinois, Ohio, Arkansas, Nebraska and Rhode Island one each. Two of these claims are half, the balance being full rate. This levy will pay deaths reported in the call to June 8, last, and will become delinquent by

IN OMAHA SOCIAL CIRCLES.

The General Stampede to the Summer Resorts Continues.

AN AFTERNOON AT THE RANGE.

The Metropolitans at Lake Manawa -Concordia Picnic at Ruser's Park-Other Outdoor Society Events.

An Afternoon At the Range. A more beautiful or delightful retreat than the Bellevue rifle range during the heated term is not to be found in these parts. The soldiers encamped there are literally as well as figuratively "in clover," and the nights when the denizers of Omaha were sweltering so badly with the heat that sleep was inipossible, the boys in blue slumbered soundly under their blankets. The Omaha Rifle club holds its weekly shoot every Wednesday at this fragment of paradise. At the last two gatherings of the club the members have generously invited a number of their lady und gentlemen friends to share with them pleasures of their trip and both times it proved the greatest of treats. Lust Wednesproved the greatest of treats. Last Wednes-day the members chartered a special cur and locomotive to take them and their guests to the range. About 130 p m, the party steamed out of the B. & M. depot and in a short time reached their destination and were passing up the remantic glen that leads to the range. The afternoon was nost delightfully passed. Shooting was of course the main maxime Shooting was of course the main pasting and all persons in the party get a chance to show their marksmanship. The ladies did not as they are proverbally credited with shut both eyes and pull the trigger to the peril of all the bystanders, but with the proper squint in the left eye they bluzed away at the tark and did some very creditable shooting. Mrs. Yates and Miss Fife both did splendidly making a score of eight out of a possible ten. The distance was 200 yards. The members of the club were out more for fun than for practice and their more for fun than for practice and their shooting was only fair. The following score being made out of a possible hundred: W. W. Bingham, 29; F. M. Sheltan, 30; R. S. Berlin, 59; B. B. Kennedy, 41; G. W. Thompson, 41; C. C. Hulett, 50; Frank Parmelee, 55, Mr. Parmil 18; seems being the nighest, the Berling 3ld metal was pinned on his cost and is to be worn until the next weekly contest. A number of the members, prancip cm. number of the memors, perhaps em-larces and by the presence of the ladies, did not compete. A number of the army office s were invited to bring their Springfiel I rifles and particle ate in the sport. Among them were Cantans Haller, Catley and Mills, Licote auts, Wrgit, Rowell and others. The oleces proved themselves superior marksmen and a charge of gurs was suggested, the military gardenen using the light off softheeleb, and the cylians the beby Springfield peas of the officer. The results were nos lugicable, some of the best marksmen failing at first even to hit best marksmen failing at first even to hit the targit. The afternion was passed in various other ways, raubing through the woods, visiting the solding camp, and otherwise. At 4 o'clock a palatable handh was served in pimic style. Deicous lemonade was on tap all afternoon. At 7 o'clock the party returned to Omaha. Almong the mosts of the club who were present o'click the pirty returned to Omaha. Among the guests of the club who were present were the Messiames Fitch, Br. at a, M.-Clintock, Yal's. The Misses Fitch, Sher-wood, McClintock, Brown, Bricombe, Gar-lisch, Occhard and Dewey. The Messrs, Horne, Moray, Shewood, Brigs, Donne, Patterson, Phep. Lehmer, Moodey, Gil-mers, Faber and Oscood.

Concordin Moonlight Pienie. The Concordia moonlight picnic, at Ruser's Park, Thursday evening, proved a grand success. It was a strictly private affair, one but members of the society and their invited friends being present. The train carrying the merry picnicers left the Webster street depot at 7533 p. m., and arrived at the grove about dusk. The members of the Musical Union orchestra were taken along, and they played their best during the cattre greening. A number of represents

atong, and they prayed their best during the cutire evening. A number of representa-tives from the Council Bluffs Macmerchor were in the party. The evening was a de-hightful one for dancing, and the devotees of Terpsichere paid their tribute to that graceful goddess until long after midnight fine supper was served. The evening passed most delightfully away, and it was unani mously voted to have another pi-nic when the moon is full. The success of the event is largely due to the members of the committee—Mesers. Schaefer, Engelman, Fich and Ackerman. Among those present were the following:
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Fritcher. Mr. and Mrs.
Gustave Pomy. Mr. and Mrs. William Segelke, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heimrod, Mr. and
Mrs. Theodore Sinhola, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Boese, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Drakker, Mr. and Mrs. George Sieh, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kaiser, Mr. and Mrs. R. Engelman, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Eiferth, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Belin, Mr. and Mrs. Marschner, Mr. and G. W. Kemper, Mr. and Mrs. Gas Hahn, Mr. and Mrs. Max Becht, Mr. and Mrs. William Sievers, The Misses Marschner, Fritscher, Kruz. Sinhold, Gusta Pomy, Annie Pomy, The Messrs, Arthur Schmidt, Charles and Ar thur Metz Epeneter, Heintz, Blaetter, Ac ermar, Franklin, Grotte, Julius Peyeke, Wahlers, Siemsen, Seifert, Adolph Meyer, Schaefer, Heybrook, Oscar Goodman, Mans-

ander, Rosenberg, Kriesel, Heintze and

The Metropolitan at Manawa. A most delightful event in the history of the Metropolitan club was the exentsion of the young gentlemen of that organization and their lady friends to Lake Manawa Wednesday evening. The party left Cmaha at 5:30 p. m., returning at 1 a. m. They took with them the Musical Union orchestra and throughout the evening they enjoyed the choicest of music. The steam craft that ploughs the placid lake was chartered for the evening and a number of most enjoyable trips were made. The club had taken with hem a large stock of fireworks and gave seautiful pyrotechnic display from the seat. The reflection of the rockets, Roman candles and other pices in the waves of the lake heightened the effect immensely and was greatly admired by all who witnessed it. The latte part of the evening was spent in dancing and the proprietors of the hotel did all in their power to make the occasion pleasant for the party. For the time the club owned that hostiery. A number of society people from Omaha and Council Bluffs, who were out on the lake at the time, accepted an invitation to take part in the dances, and they pro nounced the occasion one of the most del ful at Lake Manawath's season. On rel ing to Omaha the party was met at the depot with Stevenson's carry-all and a ride of an hour about the city was enjoyed. Among those who had the good fortune to be members of the party were the Messrs. Julius Meyer, M. L. Roeder, S. J. Fisher, S. Ober-felder, G. Delenes, D. Heyman, M. Oberfel-der, A. H. Gladstone. The Misses Pauline Goldsmith, Cora Bendet, Minnie Rosenfeldt, Annie and Minnie Rothschild, Bettie Seligshon. Clara Rindskopf, Titlie Sonnehill.

The New Fad. A late fad among the young ladies is that of "counting the tips," They count the number of young men who tip their hats on meeting them and when the hundredth fellow lifts his hat to the young lady who is keeping tally he is doomed to wed her. The young and when the number gets in the hood of ninety-eight, blood-heat, it begins to evince the most sincere belief in the infalli bility of the sign, but are very chary of whom they meet after they have counted whom they meet after their ninety-ninth man.

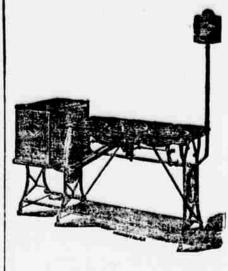
McShane Invincibles.

On Wednesday evening the McShane In vincibles gave their midsummer dance at Metz hall. A large number of the club and their friends were in attendance. The cool garden adjacent to the nall makes the place most admirably adapted to dancing in the summer. The hop lasted until 2 a. m.

Prospective Coaching Party. A most delightful coaching party is being organized by Mr. J. N. H. Patrick. It is proposed that the starting point be the Windsor hotel, New York City. The drive will be north by way of the watering places to Lake

SEVENTH YEAR FOR THE GREAT QUICK MEAL

GASOLINE



Over 950 were in use in Omaha, Jan. 1.1888. Nearly 175 have been sold this spring. Not \$5.00 worth of repairs have been needed for the whole lot. Never an accident has been reported from one, when all other Gasoline Stoves have caused accidents. The reason the Quick Meal has never caused an accident, is because it is so arranged that it strictly guards against accidents.

STOVE.

It will take only two-thirds the fuel of any other Gasoline Stove, and will do all your cooking, washing, baking and ironing with two thirds of the expense of a coal stove.

You will feel better in the fall after using a Quick Meal through the summer, because you have not perspired your health away during the summer over a hot cook stove in the extreme hot weather.

Below I give the names of 150 who have bought the Quick Meal this spring. Look over the list—may be some of your acquaintances are among them, to whom you can refer for information.

F. P. Stone, 3423 Burt. C. W. Van Dorn, Walnut Hill. Geo. P Hengen, Real Estate, Paxton

C. A. Abercrombie, 1713 Chicago, T. W. Richards, Con tinental Cloth ing Co

Mrs. Johnson, 19th and Jackson, Mr. Thaxter, 2725 Hamilton, M. B. Powell, Druggist. M. D. Hickey, 20th and Harney, W. E. Rockwell, 2729 Hamilton. Mr. Songoren, 13th and Howard, Wm. Baird, 33d and Pacific. L. M. Saulsbury, 25th and Pierce. Geo. Koogle, 1541 Saunders, Mr. Hempel, 24th and Pierce. Dan Shaunahan, 16th and Leaven-

C. O. Tullen, 16th and Leavenworth. W. Long, 9th and Hickory, Mr. Burness, 2715 Charles, Fred Krelle, Hatter 205 South 18th. L. Kundson, sos S. 24th. M. F. Munson, 1514 Burt. Miller Bros', Rest'nt, 1801 St. Mary's

Avenue. Mr. Horton, 2826 Decatur. Mr. Williamson, 29th and Douglas. C. F. Kuhlman, 29th and Jackson, A. C. Redman, 803 S. 24th. D. W. Roberts, 1234 S. 11th. M. A. Comstock, 2212 Bort. F. M. Ellis, Architect 42d and Farnam Rev. D. R. Kerr, 901 S. 20th. John Parson. Chas. Newland, 811 S. 16th. H. Weiss, 20th and Pierce.

J. Weil, 2515 Caldwell. J. S. Trimble, Wakefield Lumber J. E. Crisman, 2221 Leavenworth, Chas, Groscurth, 1594 N. 19th, W. A. Saunders, 1551 N. 19th, C. E. Mackbee, 1418 N. 17th. H. L. Axlator, 717 N. 18th.

H. St. Felix, 1206 S. 25th. Albert Sommer, Wilson's Boiler Works. F. H. Stratton, McClurg Cracker Co. J. L. Black, 1011 N. 23d.

G. F. Jones, 2522 Charles, P. Peterson, 1022 N. 16th, W. W. Harding, 911 S. 11th, Thomas Burrell, 313 N. 14th. G. C. Potwin, 1514 S. 26th. Mr. Chadwick, Omaha Mill W. M. Bushman, 614 S. 17th. O. P. Lundin, 822 S. 18th.

Mr. Bergie, 28th and Parker. S. W. Clark, 1109 S. 28th. E. Leaverton, Manager Street Car John Widnor, 830 S. 24th. Mr. Kretchmer, 14th and Williams. Geo. Tutberg, 1309 California,

Rev. Becker, 1921 S. 11th. S. R. Boyd, 817 S. 18th. John Westberg, Ice dealer, Mr. Huse, 1437 S. 29th. ______, 1512 S. 5th. E. R. McMahon, 949 N. 25th. G. C. Collins, 1413 S. 10th. Alex McNill. Misses Mattson, 1320 S. 27th. Miss Lotson, 2026 St. Mary's ave. C. M. Parke, 2513 Caldwell. John Hall, 1822 Paul. T. J. Lowey, Councilman. Mr. Kiewit, 20th and Pierce. Robt. Yates, 816 S. 19th, James Foley, 34th and Read, O. C. Brownlee, 2506 Hamilton. R. Barnacle, 27th. J. H. Loomis, 1920 Wirt. G. S. Meek, 440 S. 23d. Mr. Swable, 1109 Douglas, H. A. Pritchard, 1618 California. Nelson & Anderson, 19th St, Mary's

J. N. Beard, 1008 S, 19th. Jacob Landrock. 2036 Poppleton ave. F. M. Schoemaker, Walnut Hill. O. R. Nelson, 1823 S. 11th. C. O. Hough, 1822 St. Mary's ave. R. F. Maher, 1211 S. 9th. H. H. Neale, 17th and Clarke. H. P. Jessen, 917 S. 19th. Mrs. Crombie, 828 Park ave. S. E. King, 1902 Douglas St.

P. McArdle, 2031 S. 15th St. G. R. Armstrong, 906 Saunders. Mrs. Matson, 1320 S. 29th St. E. Clayton, 27th and Pierce. Wright, 421 Center St. Fruehauf, 1818 S. 12th. G. Messemer, 2029 Pierce, Mrs. McKay, 719 S. 15th, J. N. Colby, 3301 Miami. T. W. Davies. T. Bryant. M. N. Blum. A. Viney, 6th and Pierce. Conner. F. Fidler, with Water Co. Mr. O'Connor, 10th and Jackson. Joe Boehner, 1708 St. Mary's ave. C. J. Carpenter. W. R. Wilcox, 1113 S. 8th, J. A. Hake, 1509 S. 26th. Geo. Gardner. H. F. Tilly, 34th and Howard. Mr. Fisher, 824 S. 21st. F. McQuade, M. B. Patrick, John Anderson, 838 S. 23d. W. J. Smith. H. Mayo. J. Stoft, 6th and Division. H. E. Seaman, 2117 Maple. J. D. Geist, 1814 St. Mary's ave. O. P. Strait, 2121 Clark. Mr. Hateket, 3119 Emmet. G. W. Stone, 1712 Clark. Jonn Mack, 1313 S. 6th St. H. A Wilk, 24th and Pine. J. H. Hurlbut, 503 S. 21st St. T. K. Sudburough, 404 S. 26th. I. J. Johnson, 1416 N. 18th St. W. Preston, 502 S. 21st St. C. Johnson, 2422 Pierce St. B. Findley, 516 N. 19th St. J. D. Green, 415 Poppleton ave. C. Madsen, 421 Center St. Knight, 26th and Center St.

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George, the White mountains and Bar Harbor. The return trip will take in Saratoga Springs. A more enjoyable outing could not be planned. Among those who are invited be planned. Among those who are invited to take in the trip are Mrs. Herman Kountze and Miss Kountze, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Yates, Mr. Robert Patrick, Mr. R. S. Berlin, Mr. John Patrick and a few others.

MATRIMONIAL MART.

BEAVER-PETTON. A very pleasant wedding reception oc curred Thursday at No. 1224 South Twenty ninth street, where a number of friends as sembled to witness the marriage ceremony uniting Mr. William Beaver, of San Fran-cisco, Cal., to Miss Blanche Peyton, of this city, but late of Munrice, Ind. After a short stay here Mr. and Mrs. Beaver started for the Bestiman. for the Pacific coast.

About one hundred and fifty guests assem blief at the home of Mr. George L. Bean 2219 Capitol avenue, on Wednesday evening to witness the marriage of his daughter Miss Josie, to Wallace O. Shane. The cere mony was performed just as the bells were striking 9, and was presided over by the Rev. Mr. Sherrili. Mr. Charles M. Bach-man acted as best man and Miss Georgia Bean as bridesmald. Above the spot where ne young couple were wedded hung a beau tiful floral horseshoe. The house was bril iantly lighted and the lovely lawn illuminat ed with Chinese lanterns. The latter place for the east on their bridal tour. On their return they will be "at home" to their friends at Nincteenth and Casson streets. Mr. Shane is the son of Mr. D. L. Shane, and is teller in the Omaha National bank. Mrs. Barker's Luncheon.

Mrs. Joseph Barker gave a lunceon at her elegant residence Wednesday in honor of Mrs. Fanny Kellogg Bachert, of Boston Those present were the Mesdames Connell, Cornish, Metcalf, Squires, Coffman, Esta-brook, Redick, Wood, Yost and Miss Butter-It was a pleasant affair. General Gossip.

Chris Wille is convalescing. R. C. Cushing is in New York. A. J. Simpson is at Spirit Lake. W. F. Allen is in New York City. Humphrey Moynihan is in New York. T. A. Creigh went to St. Paul Monday. Walt. M. Seeley has returned to Omaha. Mrs. James Morris has left for Johnstown Mrs. L. C. Carter is at Minnetonka Beach. S. L. Andrews returned from the east Fri Charles Deuel left Friday for Salt Lake

A. S. Potter has returned from Philadel-Max Meyer left for Manitou the first of he week Julius Peycke left for St. Louis early in

the week.

Mrs. Martin Cahn and Mrs. Isaac New are in Chicago J. H. Millard returned from his eastern trip Adolph Meyer will spend his Sundays at Spirit Lake.

Robert Harris and family left for Spirit Lake Friday. L. D. Holmes has gone to Aledo for a

Mr. John O'Keefe is keeping cool in northern Michigan: The Omaha Guards are contemplating a trip to Spirit Lake.

George Mills and D. W. Haynes have gone east on a pleasure trip. The Rev. H. L. House has gone to Spirit Lake on a fishing tour. Mr. and Mrs. Milton S. Lindsay have re-

turned from California.
General Brooke and family left for Fort County Attorney Simeral has gone east to enjoy a few weeks vacation. Miss Hattie Webber, of Chicago, is the guest of the Misses Eaton. Frank Hanton left Thursday for a ten day's trip to Sait Lake City.

turned from the east Wednesday. Miss Ella Elchorn is taking a vacation with her parents at Fairfield, Ia. Mrs. Minogue and daughter will make their future home in Kansas City. Mrs. H. W. Yates and her daughter re turned from Colorado yesterday. Warren Rogers and a party of his young friends left for Spirit Lake Monday.

Ed. Quinn has returned to Omaha after years rest and recreation in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Katz are in Eisberg, province of Hease-Cassell, Germany, Samuel J. Howell and family have found cool retreat at St. Ignace Bay, Mich. The Hon. J. M. Woolworth went west Monday on the overland flyer to Cheyenne. Mrs. Joseph Meinrath and Mrs. H. M. Susman will spend the summer at Manitou.

George C. Evans is taking a month's vaca tion in Pueblo and other points in Colorado J. W. Schoelply has gone east on a trip in which pleasure is to be combined with busi W L McCarne and Abe Reed left las evening for Spirit lake to take in the re

gatta. Miss Florence E. Mead and Mr. Willard I. Laird are to be married next Wednesda Lu. B. Cake, Omaha's poet, will court the muse at the seaside the remainder of the

trip east. The friends of N. A. Kuhn are glad to know that he is rapidly recovering from his Harry Bonner, accompanied by his sisters Katy and Ella, has gone to Spirit Lake for

Mrs. J. Stewart White and daughter, Ger-

the summer. Mrs. C. P. Bently has gone to her old at White City, Kas., where she will visit for a month. Cable grains tell of the safe arrival in Europe of C. F. Goodman and, also, of Miss Minnie B. Wood.

The Harmony Social club will indulge in a conlight picnic at Hanscom park next Tuesday evening. Miss Janie Carey, of Keokuk, is visiting

her sister, Mrs. Dr. Frederick Bacon, 2402 St. Mary's avenue. Ben Callagher has returned from Spirit Lake, where he left his wife and child to spend the summer. Mrs. D. W. Young and children returned

Major J. D. Kluetsch and his brother-in-

nes, Thursday, where they vis

from Des Moines, Thited the past mouth.

T. Hamlin, 1319 S. 5th St. M. B. McBeth, 1022 Saunders St. J. F. Hamilton, 511 Pierce, K. Hane, 1520 Jackson.

aw, Mr. Bart, of Lincoln, Neb., called at THE BEE office Thursday. Miss Annie Heafey left Friday evening for St. Paul, where she will visit with relatives

Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen are traveling in the until the middle of August. E.*L. Lyon, ex-president of the State Na-tional bank, left Friday for California, where he will permanently remain. Mrs. I.O. Whitesides, of Aurora, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. A. Strickland, returned home last week.

Mrs. E. A. Todd and her mother, Mrs. S. E. Smouse, of Cumberland, Md., left Mon-day for a weeks visit at Sutton, Neb. Mrs. E. C. Cushing, South Twenty-fifth avenue, gave a luncheon Tuesday in honor of Mrs. J. C. McGevish, of Des Moines. W. R. and J. P. English have returned from Kenosha, Wis., where they have been visiting their old home for two weeks. Captain Marsh and Frank Murphy re

Mr. Dr. Amelia Burroughs, who has been attending the homeopathic convention at Niagara Falls, returned the first of the week. Mr. Richard M. Grimes and his brother Arthur have left for a visit to New York City, stopping at Lake Minnetonka en route. Mr. and Mrs. Puls, formerly of the German theatrical company, of this city, are playing a summer's engagement at Elkhart lake,

Mrs. John Kuhn and children, after an extended tour through the Atlantic states from New York to Florida, have returned to The Rev. Lamar leaves Tuesday for

onth's rest and recreation at Lake Okoboji, where he will camp out with a party of Mrs. Charles F. Stephens left early in the week for the east to remain all summer. She will probably return to the operatic stage in

George T. Morgan, chief engraver of the Philadelphia mint, was the guest of his nephew, W. F. Morgan, of this city, early in

Mrs L. E. Rock, of Milwaukee, Wis., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Horn, 818 South Eighteenth street, left for her nome Wednesday.

Mr. Arthur Shiverick left for New York the first of the week. He will be absent a month, most of which time he will be at Cape Cod enjoying the sea breezes Mr. A. H. Hopkins, president of the Commercial National bank, has gone east to in-

spect the latest specimens of architecture in buildings for bank purposes. C. M. Fogg, who has been enjoying a most delightful outing decoying the finny tribes of the Minneapolis lakes, returned to his rail-

road labors again on Tuesday. Rev. W. H. Hill, S. J., author of several books on moral philosophy which are now used in many of the colleges in the land, is solourning at Creighton college.

Miss E. J. Shuke has gone for a Vacation to her sister's home at Banning, San Barnadino county, Cal. She will re-turn about the middle of October. Major O. Cooper, a wealthy ranchman of

Wayne, Neb., who was a classmate of President Cleveland in the days of his youth, has been spending a few days in Omaha. Mrs. F. Aberle and son, of Owasso, Micl., are visiting Dr. and Mrs. Hertzman at Walnut Hill. It is the intention of Mr. Aberle to move his tanning establishment to Omaha.

Miss Dollie Pelack has returned from Huron, Dak., where she has been visiting for the past six menths. Miss Mattle Police

will remain at the same point until Septem