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BOCIAL EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

Why Young Men Are Scarce in Society This Season-Swobe Reception-The Poppleton Mansion

Thrown Open.

A Single Hair. Chicago Mail. It is odd how shifts the light, For the hair is black as night— For the instant, and then quite Another hue. It's bright And then it's dull. My sight Is baffled as I note What I found upon his coat, It is odd how shifts the light! Oh dear! How came it there, This tantalizing hair? Is it black, or brown, or red! Where, I wonder, was it shed! Did it come from my own head! Have I any cause for dread! It is odd how shifts the light— What blur is on my sight?

The Origin of Society. What society is, where it originated and what its object is, are the points that do not generally get attention-or, at least, serious consideration from the majority of those who love to dwell within the haunts of its pleasures and gayety. Little care they as to the why or the wherefore of the matter, as long as they get the enjoyment out of it that they desire and are amused so far as the said so ciety and its belongings are able to contribute toward it. Society, taken as a whole, is an toward it. Society, taken as a whole, is an institution gotten up and maintained by the people in unity, in the interests of the many —the development, intellectualy, morally and consequently inancially, of the masses. Society, therefore, is nothing more nor less than a little, separate government all by its lonely self, but, however, at the same time, on a very large scale, embracing as it does, the entire civilized world.

the entire civilized world. The origin of society, as it stands to day, is difficult to determine—the dividing line of two or more decades and the present time are so very indistinct. Nevertheless, if we are to draw a fine point and date our interrogations anterior to the christian era we might say that society has been in existence ever since that memorable occasion -- in our mind's dim and distant vista of recollection created by scriptural teachings-when Adam and Eve inhabited the Garden of Eden. It is Even inhibited the Garden of Edel. It is stretching matters a little, no doubt, to term that condition of affairs "society," but that's what it was, however, though it may be vastly different from the modus operandl of the present day and age. But society, in the true acceptance of the term, was, and still is to a great extent, the outcome-aye, the very existence-of christian influence. Then, this being true, the real origin of society is with the inception of christianity, and the chris-tian religion was the true foundation rock upon which it was constructed.

Why Society Young Men are Scarce. "No wonder," says a well known young

society man, "that there is a complaint in upper social circles this season of a scarcity of young men in the swim. Society is too expensive a luxury for a young man of modcrate salary, particularly if he hopes to get ahead financially. And you know that the majority of us do not draw princely incomes, and we all hope some day to have homes of our own. The extortions society makes from our earnings are too great and has the effect a certain moneyed class wishes it to have of keeping out those of only moderate means

'I am willing to spend a moderate amount of money for social pleasures, as nobedy en-joys the companionship of his feilows better than I; but if one does not make a lavish display of spending money, if he makes any attempt toward economy, the examples of his companions make him feel mean and small and as a result he feels compelled either to and as a result to leave compensate entries of madly follow their extravagaat course or drop out of the circle entirely. A season's parties foot up enormous bills. The four Assembly club parties of last season alone cost me \$80, and I believe that few members



was assisted by her father and mother, General and Mrs. Wheaton, Doctor and Mrs Huskin. The programmes are worthy of an especial mention. They were painted by Miss Crawford, Mrs. Brown's sister, on nieces of satin suspended from a golden bar; one was hung on each side of the ball-room. This is a very novel thing in the social world and it is a splendid substitute for the customary card and pencil. The painting of the number of the dances was in gold. All the lesigns and symbols on the programm beautiful, at the beginning was the full moon and hour glass, and as the numbers proceeded the moon gradually became smaller and the sand in the hour glass was represented in the various gradations of passage through its narow course The costumes of the ladies were elegant. The officers appeared in full dress uniform. The debutante was dressed in white china silk and net lace, with a corsage bouquet of beautiful pink roses. The toilets of Mrs. General Wheaton and Mrs. Dr. Haskins were both of white silk the former wearing a corsage bouquet of the former wearing a conside bounded on natural roses. An elaborate repast was pre-pared, after which the german, led by Mr. Faber, was very successfully danced. The figures which he introduced were very prot-ty. The first was the basket figure, the econd the ribbon or favor figure, which second the ribbon or lavor light, which consists in receiving a ribbon every time one can obtain a new partner. A few were honored with four ribbons. The third, the scarf figure, was the most becautiful of the four. The wind-mill figure was the fourth, and it is similar to the ribbon figure, inas much as it is also of the favor order. Thi consists in the gentleman calling a lady from her seat as his partner, and the ladies show their preference by calling some gentleman to the floor. Among the distinguished gen to the hoor. Among the otschigdushed gen-tlemen present were General Brooke, his staff, Messrs. Roe and Truitt, General Wheaton, Major Baker, Mr. Robert W. Patrick, and a number of others. Complimentary remarks were heard from all, and as the guests were leaving the de-butante, her father and mother received an overflow of congratulations on the success of the event.

to their friends. The preparations for the happy event were most elaborate and com-plete. In every nook and corner, bay-window and recess were banked great pyramids of potted plants, large ferns and palms were seen here and there while a profusion of smilax was entwined about chandeliers, manthe pieces, over doors, arches and alcoves, and gave a finishing touch to the decorations. Some beautiful effects were wrought by the florist in the arrangement of the flowers. The event proved to be one of the most de

the Young Ladies' Reading Room association, and were a grand success, both finantion, and were a grant success, both intar-cially and as a first-class production of home talent. "The Old Fashioned District School" was the title of the play, in which about thirty ladies and gentlemen of clever histri-onic talent participated. The costumes of News fifty years ago were worn, which presented a very amusing spectacle. The young ladies realized nearly \$100 over and above expenses. Mr. John Minor, assistant superintendent of the B. & M. storehouse department here,

was agreeably surprised by a number of his

ECHOES FROM THE ANTE-ROOM	Equitable Aid Union
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ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.	Knights of Golden Rule

ent, besides a large numbers of lookers of Corner 15th and The invitation card was of a beautiful de-sign. Engraved on the back was a knight his helmet, weapons and other emplems of gnighthood, with the inscription of the three words, "Friendship, Charity and Benevo-

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The K, of P, hall chicken still refuses to hatch. Rumor has it that it will be all right as soon as some one or two or three some ones die or go to Europe or the Sandwich islands or Texas.

Islands or Texas. Viola Lodge are unusually busy and their regulor meetings are well attended by their efficient and enthusiastic membership. On Thursday night last they conferred degrees on applicants in all three ranks and are make ing an effort to have their work in good shape at the end of the term.

Shape at the end of the term. Park lodge, No. 69, has elected the follow-ing officers for the ensuing term: Chancellor commander, George H. Robinson; vice chancellor, J. Edward Corl; prelate, W. Sj Slabaugh; master of exchequer, C. S. Hof-fert; master of finance, M. K. Over; keeper of records and seals, E. J. Pollock; master at arms, James Dunn.

Class Membership.

As was anticipated some time ago, when by a sort of tacit consent, some subordinates adopted a sick benefit system where only a portion of the members paid extra ques, thereby entitling them to certain benefits in case of sickness, said system is resulting in more or less complications.

Our judgment has ever been that a sub-ordinate should either be a lodge paying sick benefits to all or to none, for the reason that sooner or later difficulties must arise in the administration and conducting of affairs

administration and conducting of analysis where part are interested and part are not. And the question has arisen, "Is it possi-ble, in a lodge, at a regular meeting, that an amendment to the by-laws of said lodge can be proposed and any portion of the membership be debarred from voting upon said amendment?"

By-laws have been adopted by lodges, in which there are provisions for the raising of what is termed a sick-benefit fund for paying weekly benefits in event of sick-ness; also making it optional with members whether they contribute to this fund or not. These by-laws also make the officers of the lodge the agents, etc., of this benefit system, and the means of dispersing these sick beneht moneys in the event of sickness, and recently some officials, by virtue of their office, although act members of or participants in this sick benefit system, have been compelled to attend to its duties, etc., and they begin to query the equity and correct-

is true, that originally, the by-laws were regularly amended by a vote of all members, permitting this optional sick benefit system permitting this optional sick bencht system ; and it is true these by-laws were approved by the committee on laws of the Grand Lodge, but now those connected with said sick benefit system hold that when any amendment comes up touching this system, only those belonging to said system can vote, and hence the difference of opinion. It is a grave assertion to make that any member can be debarred from voting upon any question that comes up in open lodge:

any question that comes up in open lodge; on the other hand, it is said that said ques-tion is of such a character that it only affects a certain part of the membership, and that it would not be correct for those who have no interest whatever in the matter to discuss

no interest whatever in the matter to discuss it or vote upon it. Without going into argument, suffice it to sny that differences of opinion on this subject do exist, and will continue to grow, and the question arises, "What is the remedy?" There is no objection to any portion of the membership of any lodge having a sick-ben-oft system if they desire it but as we argued

efit system if they desire it, but, as we argued when the idea was presented years ago, un-less all the members of a lodge belong to said system, it should be taken entirely out of the lodge and managed exclusively by those who belong to it, and neither the by-

aws of the lodge nor the officials as such bo Such a course does injustice to none and would restore harmony along the line. We know of no other source that wills the same power, a two-thirds vote, that originally incorporated the system in the by laws, can remove it. It does not alter the status or privileges of those who belong to the system, or deprive them of any of their rights; on the other hand, it would settle the vexed question as to who is or who is not entitled to speak when certain questions are under dis-cussion and forever put a quietus upon the assertion that there is a "class membership" in somed loges.-Examiner.

The Royal Arcanum. The beneficiary order known as the Royal Areanum, until about a year ago was represented by but one council in this city, since which time, however, soveral others have been instituted, among which Union Pacific council, No. 1,059, is the most prominent and takes the lead as to numbers and prospects takes the lead as to numbers and prospects for future success. On Tuesday evening last officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Regent, J. K. Chambera; vice regent, J. F. Coykendali; orator, J. B. Twi-ford; secretary, I. L. Richards; collector, J. L. Craig: treasurer, J. H. Lichteberger; chaplain, H. W. Snow; guide, J. B. Sheldon; warden, Dr. W. J. Galbraith; sentinel, Mar-tin W. Lee; trustee, W. H. Murray, J. W. Maynard, the present very efficient regent, will go the past regent's chair, and no doubt will fill the place with henor to himself as well as the council. The Royal Arcanum not offly pays the

of the organization got off with less. You can readily see what a dram two to four parties a will make upon one's purse week pro vided he siavishly complies with the tions of the social god.

"I spent over \$500 socially last season and hardly knew where it went to until I came to reckon it up, and I can assure you I watched the corners carefully and tried to lop off all unnecessary expense. My new dress suit cost \$75; my six dress shirts at \$4 each, \$24; six pair silk hose, \$21; two suits of silk un-derwear, \$30; three enamel studs, \$6; cuff buttons, \$12; my lawn ties at 35 cents each came to \$16; guilers, \$5; there are gloves and other exceteras that could be counted in and swell the expense considerably. Of course you must have a carriage for the lady you accompany to the party or hop and that means 54 an evening. You are expected to furnish the lady with flowers and that means about \$3 or more. A society man must devote at least half of his evenings to social duties, and the continual financial drain visibly effects even a healthy bank account. From the figures I have given you can see where my \$600 went, and yet this is economical apared with what the average society man

'I have known young fellows on a salary of only \$15 a week keep up their end in society expenses, and how they manage to do so l can t tell. I often believe that they mus deny themselves many of the pleasures and even necessities of life to keep up with the money spending usurpers of the social world. Their condition is indeed pitiable.

Society is getting so that the poor you man feels himself a stranger within its gate man feels himself a stranger within its gates and this is why so many young fellows go to destruction. Their social nature requires companionship, and when they find that the portals of society open only to golden keys they seek instead the damning pleasures of the dramshop and brothel. And I hold that society itself is responsible for it."

Ex-Students' Banquet.

Gn Monday evening, December 10, the W. C. C. association held its annual alumni ban quet at the Hotel Barker in this city, Among those present were representative business and professional men from Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. The meeting was held in the spacious parlors of the hotel, and and for a considerable time hand shaking and renewing of acquaintances was the order of the evening. The formalities being over, the president, in a few well chosen words Introduced Mr. R. A. L. Dick, whose acknowledged ability as an elecutionist was recognized by all who had the pleasure of hearing him. Mr. Dick gave an exhibition of his elocutionary powers in a recitation en-titled "The Gambler's Wife," and other pro-ductions. During the recital the auditors Seemed spellbound, and when the speaker resumed the seat, he was greeted with round after round of applause. After listening for some time to the sweet strains of music discoursed by the band, the members proceeded in a body to the large and well ighted dining hall, where a magnifice feast was luxuriously spread before them. The welcoming address was delivered by the president, Mr. E. E. Zimmerman, who gave, in brief, the history of the association and the individual successes of the members. In response to numerous calls Mr. R. M. Patheres, made a third as the basis Patterson made a stirring speech, in which he glowingly depicted the benefits to be de-tived from a course in a commercial college, After satisfying the inner man from th

nimptuous feast prepared especially for the W. C. C., eloquent addresses were made by the following gentlemen: Profs. Paulsen, the following gentlemen: Profs. Paulsen, Worley and Adams, and Messrs. Dolan, Dick, Holmes, Krooger, Scannell, Parker, Conrad, Ragan and others.

Miss Brown's Debut.

Miss Mary Brown's debut at Fort Omaha last Tuesday evening, was the most enjoyable society event witnessed at the garrison for many years. Every preparation was made to make it a grand success; in front of the piazza from post to post were hung tent flies, thus making the porch a pleasant enclosure for promenading. The hall itself was beautifully decorated, the flags and stacked muskets at the entrance of the ballroom gave it a military appearance. Nearly two hundred people attended. Miss Brown

Princeton Men Dine.

Dr. Charles, of this city, gave his eleventh annual dinner to the Omaha alumni of Princeton college Wednesday evening. The menu was served at Higgins' cafe, and consisted of two opossums in plantation style, with hoe cake, sweet potatoes and hard cider. The following gentlemen received in vitations: O. H. Rothacker, Julius S. Cooley, Frank Morrissey, Parke Goodwin, Al. Sore on, Henry James, Charles J. Green, J. B. No. 1 Henry James, Charles J. Groun, J. Haynes, Fred Nye, John M. Thurston and W. C. Gregory. The evening was passed in a most enjoyable manner, all the guests con-tributing to the humor and wit, and their af-fable host, by their efforts, was the personification of enjoyment. The recitals of amus-ing incidents when at college were the occa-sions of many hearty outbursts of laughter. Dr. Charles responded to the following toast: "The Historic Days at Princeton." Julius S. Cooley responded to "Oppossum Hunting on Southern Plantations." Parke Goodwin responded to "My Maryland."

The bauquet was elaborate, the wit and humor was accompanied with bumpers of the best old wines, and the event proved a most pleasant one.

The Crescent Club.

On Tuesday evening the Crescent club held the third party of their series at Crapp's hall. The hop proved the most pleasant one they have held yet. Some of the toilets worn by the ladies were elegant in the highest degree and all were becoming. Among those present were the following: Messrs. A. J. Beaton, H. Wehrer, J. A. Benson, William Bowman, H. Handel, Arthur Dickey, Samuel Wiggins, Stephca Griffin, Frank Beaton, Louis Burmaster, John Swanson, J. E. Peremann, Mott Bergen, Edward, Chadda, Chadda, Swanson, J. E. Peremann, Mott Bergen, Edward Rhoodes, Charles Smith,
J. J. Butterfield, George Benson,
E. Burmaster, C. Wilson, Will Burroughs,
M. Klein, Thomas Mankin, Will Burroughs,
Mamie Golf, May Peterson, Auna Williams'
Nettie Woods, Clara Griffin, Emma Burmaster, Nellie Benson, Lulu Johnson, Addie
Gates, Anna Foley, Anna Clark, Nellie Ray,
May Reynolds, Ollie Foley, Jennie Robison,
Effie Mileston, Maggie Martin and Mrs.
Handle. Handle.

Mr. and Mrs. Swobe's Reception. The parlors, hallways and dining rooms of the Millard hotel were a flood of light on Thursday evening, and were thronged with hundreds of gay and elegantly dressed guests, the occasion being a reception and ball given by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swobe tainments were given under the auspices of

lightful social events of the season and senting the cream of Omaha society. Mrs. Swobe was assisted by Misses Annie and Mamie Waterman, of New York. The re-ception commenced at 8:30 p. m. and lasted intil 10 o'clock. At the latter hour, the guests repaired to the dining hall which had been converted into a ball room and dancing was kept up until a late hour. At 11 o'clock an elegant lunch was served in the ordinary.

Mr. Lewis is Surprised.

A very pleasant surprise was tendered Mr. A. Lewis last Sunday evening. The Harmony Social circle, of which he is a member, were holding a meeting at his residence on North Sixteenth street, and during the session one of the members arose and in a short speech presented him, in the name of his friends with two handsome steel engravings, The gentleman was taken completely un awares, as he was laboring under the impression that another gentleman was the one that was to be surprised. After the meeting the party sat down to an elegant supper, which was followed by dancing, they having brought musicians with them. The surprise was complete, and the entire affair will long be remembered by those present.

The Poppleton Reception. On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. A. J.

Poppleton gave a grand reception at their stately mansion in honor of their son, Willnam Sears Poppleton, and his bride, who have lately returned from their wedding trip. At S:30 p. m. the carriages commenced to arrive, and by 9:30 over three hundred persons, representing the best of Omaha and Council Bluffs society, had been received under the hospitable roof. The beautiful esidence was universally admired. Every thing for the comfort and entertainment o the guests had been prepared. Unique re freshments were served at an early hour the carpets of the parlors were covered with ducking and those disposed engaged in dancing. The affair was one of the great social events of the week.

Harmony Social Circle.

The Harmony Social circle opened their season very successfully at Crap's hall last Thursday evening, with a grand ball. About fifty couples were in attendance, and they enjoyed themselves right royally. A programme of twenty dances was gone through to the inspiring strains of Steinhauser's orchestra. This popular circle is fast coming to the front as one of the leading social or-ganizations of the city, and includes among its members some of our leading society ladies and gontlemen.

Mr. Stuben Taken Unaware.

The surprise party tendered Mr. John Stu ben at his residence on Seventeenth street was a most enjoyable one. The party was due to the efforts of Miss Englea, Miss Me-Clure and Mr. West Craig. Dancing was nmenced about 9 o'clock. Shortly o'clock refreshments were served, after which the dancing was continued until ! o clock. About eighty people attended. The planners of the affair are to be congratulated on the success of the party.

Expressmen's Ball.

The drivers of the Pacific and Wells-Fargo express companies gave their second annual ball at Exposition hall on Wednesday ovening. The event was in every way a grand success. Four hundred tickets were sold and nearly that number of persons were present. The dancing commenced at 9 o'clock, when the twenty-eighth number was waltzed. Mr. F. Brown presided as master of ceremonies and was ably assisted by the floor committee consisting of J. Haley, E. Duryer, W. Roush, M. H. O. Toole and J. W. Corey. The hall was most elaborately decorated W. Corey. icoorated.

Plattsmouth Society Items. The event of the season in the line of ho alent entertaiaments was given at the Waterman opera house on the evenings of Tuesday and Wednesday last. The entermost intimate friends last Wednesday even-ing, his thirty-fourth birthday. All arrangements were made and an inviting repast pre pared by his wife, the party meeting at his home shortly before the time of his arrival. The surprise was complete and a most enoyable time was had. His friends presented im with a beautiful goldheaded cane before taking their departure.

The Sons of Veterans gave a masquerade bail in Fitzgerald hall on Friday evening. It being the first hop of the kind held here this year there was a grand turnout The costumes were furnished by an Omaha firm. Hon. John W. Barnes and wife spent a few days this week at the home of their daughter Mrs. D. A. Campbell, of this city. Saturday night Newton Beers presented

is popular drama "Lost in London" at the Waterman opera house.

General Gossip.

B F. Troxell has returned from New York. Mrs. L. J. Drake gives a party for her

children Friday evening. Mrs. S. P. Rounds has returned from Den ver and has apartments at the Barker.

Mr. J. H. Withnell and Miss Kate Van Arnam were married on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Magrane gives her next social at Maonic hall Wednesday evening, December 19 The Ladies' Social club give a hop at Metropolitan hall on the evening of Decem ber 19.

Miss Claire Rustin goes to Washington this winter to be the guest of Senator and Mrs. Paddock. Mrs. Johanna Johnson and daughter took

the steamer from New York to Lund, Swe den, on Monday last. Mrs. R. N. Blair, who has been studying

art in this city for many weeks, has returned to her home in Dunlap, Ia.

J. J. Mercer, late of Quincy, Ill., and father of D. H. Mercer, of this city, will make his future home in this city. The ex-students of the university of Michi mbled at the Millard Thursday even

ng and formed an alumni association. Mrs. Pratt, wife of Lieutenant E. B. Pratt Twenty-third United States infautry, sta tioned at Fort Mackinae, arrived in the city Thursday, and will pass the winter with her father, Captain W. W. Copeland.

Big Noses All Right.

"I've never known a man with a big nose who wasn't smart," said a professor in Bellevue hospital college, New York, says the Mail and Express, when spoken to on the subject. The great Napoleon's nose was big.

Gladstone's nose is big, but it ends in a sharp point. Bismarck has a big nose that is, however, almost flat on the end. General Grant's nose was not too large but it was large enough to be promi nent.

Blaine's nose is very prominent, and all his children, including his daugh-ters, are easily distinguishable by the same large protuberance. Jay Gould i possessed of a large nose. So is Russell Sage and Cyrus W. Field. President Cleveland's nose is a trifle above the ordinary size.' Dan Lamont's nose is very prominent.

The late John Kelly had a flat, pug nose. General Harrison's nasal organ s quite large, but not so prominent as that of Levi P. Morion or the Old fraternal organizations in the country : Roman. Joseph Pulitzer and Charles A. Dana both have large noses. Pu itzer's is very prominent. Governor Hill is an exception to the rule. His nose is quite small.

Dr. Talmage and Dr. John Hall, both famous pulpit orators, have large no So have Secretaries Bayard and Whitney. Bon Butler's nose is quite small; so is Henry Watterson's; but George W. Childs, Austin Corbin, Chauncey Depew, Lawrence Barrett, and scores of others who are prominent before the public, have their full share of nasal organ.

Prosperity of the A. O. U. W .-- Banquet of the Loyal Legion - New Lodge of the Knights of Honor -Among the Pythians.

Cryptic Masonry.

At the annual meeting of Omaha council No. 1, Royal and Select Masters the following officers were elected for the ensuing Mssonic year:

Excellent Companion James Gilbert, master. Excellent Companion David E. Hume,

leputy master. Excellent Companion Guy V. Henry, rincipal conductor of the work. Excellent Companion Gustave Anderson

reasurer. Excellent Companion James B. Bruner,

Excellent Companion Alfred P. Hopkins, orporal of the guard Excellent Companion T. C. Batterton,

inductor of council. Excelient Companion L. M. Anderson, stewart.

Excellent Companion David E. Keys, sentinel.

The proposed new lodge to be organized in the northern part of the city is meeting with a decided success. Quite a number of mer-chants and professional men having signed the petition. A meeting will be called some time during the coming week, when all in-terested are requested to be present. Time and place will be announced later in Tur

There are 250 Masonic lodges in Alabama numbering 12,000 members. The present grand secretary has held office twenty-nine years.

Knights of Honor.

Saturday evening Messrs, Charles J. Menter, Thomas Falconer, Louis Lazarus, L. A. Goldsmith and Philip Brady, of Omahaodge, No. 829, Knights of Honor, came to South Omaha and organized Good Will military work it was intended for .- Sprig lodge, No. -, Knights of Honor, of South The following officers were Omaha. elected: Past dictator, George J. Seltzer; dictator, Henry L. Smith; vice dictator, Frederick Brockelburst; accountant dicta-tor Frank O. Doyle; financial reporter, Ar-

thur W. Rushforth; treasurer, Seely Cole: chaplain, Charles V. Harris; guide, Charles R. Burgess; guardian, Harry Reed; trustees for one year, George Dotherway and Michael Quinn; medical examiner, Dr. James A. A. Kelley. The installation ceremonies will take

The installation ceremones will take place next Saturday evening in Knight of Pythias hall. The charter will be closed Saturday, December 22. The lodge starts with a large membership of some of the best citizens of South Omaha.

The report for December shows a total nembership in the order of 211,570, against 210,528 for the previous month. The membership in Nebraska is 5,144. The total benefits paid during the month in the entire order amount to \$319,857. In this state the assessments for a benefit of \$2,000 amount to \$11 per annum. The following table gives the costs of insurance in the different states in the union, as well as in the various other \$10 50

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4 00 There are 415 lodges of the Ancient Order of United Workmen in Missouri, sixty-nine of which are located at St. Louis; the membership aggregates 20,700.

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The Omaha lodges, without a single exception, are in a state of unexampled prosperity and vigor

Dodge Sts.

South Omaha lodge No. 66 Ancient Order of United Workmen, at the regular meeting Tuesday night elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master workman, Ja-cob Jaskolek; foreman, Joseph L. Ander-son: overseer, A. T. Morton; recorder, Daniel Sullivan; financier, C. W. Muller receiver, Patrick E. Sullivan; trustees Joseph L. Anderson, eighteen months, and Dr. James A. A. Kelly, one year. The in-stallation ceremonics will be performed in the A. O. U. W. hall, Fifteenth and Farnam streets, Omalia, together with the officers elect of the four A. O. U. W. lodges of

Omaha on Monday evening, January 7. V. A. S. Fraternity.

Omaha Collegium No. 124, V. A. S., met

ast Friday night in A. O. U. W. hall, Barker block, with a large attendance. The followig officers were elected: Rector-C. S. Morgan. Vice Rector-James Marshall Treasurer-L. Wheland, Scribe-L. A. Hammond.

urators-C. Cunningham, Dr. Hanchett, . Raymond. Surgeons-Dr. Ross, Dr. L. A. Merriam. Chaplain—Charles Fitzsimmons, Grand Representative—Dr. L. A. Merriam,

Alternate-S. T. Robinso

Knights of Pythias.

The beauty and value of the Uniform Rank depends entirely upon its efficiency and military discipline. A division which does not hold regular meetings and does not have some proficiency in the military tactics is of no use whatever. A really good division is much help to the order of Knights of Pythias, but an awkward, badly drilled division only brings ridicule and disgrace to the order. No division should be organized unless it expects to enter heartily into the

of Myrtle. The characters of men and of institutions are known, not by any declaration of princi ples but by sustained relations.

We know benevolence, not by the defini tion of a dictionary, but by the acts of life. Friendship has a silent voice that can explain itself better by a hearty handshake, where, through the physical act, the subtle force of the spirit speaks the leve that dames in the souls of lofty minded men. Pythianism is not read from our parade day banners, nor from the charm on our watch chains, but from the way we not. The world seeks companionship with men who are full of fun, but whose fun is not smirched with the coarse and vulgar.—The Pythian Record. Pythianism aims to give relief, awaken

sympathy, and afford protection, as far as may be, against the ills of life. These are its most prominent features, but incidentally it alds much in the cultivation and improve-ment of our social natures.—Jersey Knight. "Team" work in a lodge is a good thing some times. But when the "team" happen to show up and the Esquire desires taking his third before leaving the city, per-haps for an extended season, it is not quite the "good thing" it should be. We have our opinion of a lodge of Knights of Pythias

that will suffer a candidate to go home without taking a rank and just because no "team" was present. In Minnesota nearly every member is capable of taking any part and performing good work. It's a fact -The Pythian Advocate. 11 00

The plea that officers in the subordinate or grand lodges should be filled by succession ought not to be the sole guidance in the se-lection. Officers should be qualified in every particular. There is plenty of material, and the dignity of the order soust be maintained. 11 50

11 00 -The Western Knight. The grand ball and supper given by the Virginius lodge, No 35, of the Knights of Pythias, was most enjoyable. The music was splendid and the attendance very large, 18 00 9 61

13 10 seventy-five dancing coup'ca being

The Royal Arcanum not only pays the beneficiary of a deceased brother \$3,000, but is also a fraternal and social order of high standing. It is but a little over a decade high old, but in the cast more especially, it has obtained rank among the beneficent orders second to none. Union Pacific council was nstituted one year ago, the charter members being principally employes in the Union Pacific headquarters building, though men of good standing in other occupations are also received into its ranks. The officers elected for the coming year are workers, and it is predicted that the council will more than double in numbers during 1889.

G. A. R.

Gate City Post, G. A. R. of this city, held its annual election for officers for the ensuing year at their hall last evening, and the fol-lowing officers were elected: Commander, Comrade L. F. Maginn; senior vice-com-mander, Comrade John B. Dennis; junior vice-commander, Comrade William Stewart; Comrade W S. Arkwith: quartermaster, Comrade W. S. Arkwith surgeon, Comrade S. K. Spalding; chaptain, Comrade J. B. West; officer of the day, Comrade D. D. Clement; officer of the guard, Comrade A. L. Straight; delegate to department encampment, Comrade B. R. Bales alternate, Comrade J. B. Dennis.

What They Eat.

Washington Post. The tailor-Roast goose. The builder-Plumb pudding. The druggist-"Pizen" things. The base ball man-Fowl. The carpenter-Plane food. The stock raiser-Bred. The actor-Supe. The printer-Pi. The singer-Oyster Patti. The old maid-To mate, O. The Quaker-Peas. The prisoner-Cell-ery. The profane man-Cussed hard. The acrobat-Turn-ups. The smoker-Pipe plant. The real estate man-Coffee grounds. The dry goods clerk-Flannel cakes, The tramp-Rag out of yeal. The debtor-Owe it meal. public speaker - Toast. The funny man-Chestnuts.

A New Minstrei Joke.

Detroit Free Press: It may not be elieved but a recent minstrel troupe got off a fresh joke. "Harry," said the end man, "people

are very dissatisfied in this world. "They are indeed," answered the interlocutor.

"Yes, Harry; if a man has riches he wants health, and if a man has health he yearns for wealth.³³

Yes, that's the way it goes."

"Now-now you take a fellow at seaawfully sick-you know-leaning over the side of the steamer, and all that sort of thing. Now, that man wants the earth.

Many Liquor Dealers Indicted.

Dunuous, Ia., Dec. 15. -Out of ninety-nine adjoctments returned by the United States grand jury for northern Iowa for this term of ourt, seventy-four are for selling liquor without a government license.

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