



Saturday Is Red Letter Day.

We have just purchased the stock of Michael Stern & Co., Rochester, N. Y., amounting to over \$95,000, and we will place it on sale Saturday morning, May 4th. The new prices will be in red; the actual retail prices in black. Our prices will not average fifty cents on the dollar of regular retail prices. We close Friday at noon to get ready for the sale, which begins at 8. a. m. Saturday.

Omaha's Red Letter Day

of the different members on Thursday of

who meet every other Monday at the homes

of the members, to inform themselves upon

THE WOMEN'S CLUB.

THE CENTURY.

MATINEE MUSICALE

The Matinee Musicale had its origin dur-

in the early autumn. Over thirty of the

leading musicians of Lincoln are identified with the club. Its object is to advance the

FORTNJGHTLY.

The Fortnightly club, of which Mrs. L. C.

Richards is president, was organized in the spring of 1894. Its membership is limited

ROSE COTTAGE.

The Rose Cottage circle is under the lead

ership and is always entertained by Miss Elliott, and takes its name from her home. The circle has been a source of profit and

ATHENEA.

FACULTY.

The University of Nebraska Woman's Fac-

ulty club was organized in the fall of 1894. Mrs. J. H. Canfield is the president. The

club meets at the homes of the members on

The first half hour is given to social con

verse, and the program which fills the re

hostess. There are usually one or more papers, followed by discussions, with some

WINODAUGHSIS.

twelve members, who organized last No-vember for mutual benefit. Mrs. J. W.

The Winodaughsis club is composed of

mainder of the afternoon is arranged by the

more

alternate Fridays from 3 till 5 o'clock

The Athenea club was organized in the all of 1892 and is under the leadership of

pleasure to many women in Lincoln.

to twenty.

Mrs. W. A. Green.

numbers of fine music

club

Mrs. J. L. McConnell

each alternate week.





with twelve char-

in alphabetical

ter members, to meet at the homes of the

RECORD OF THE HISTORY AND ART

CLUB OF SEWARD, NEB.

G. F. Burkett, vice president; Mrs. D. C. McKillip, secretary; Mrs. S. D. Atkins, treas-

For, like knights of old,

To aid in the race,

Far back in the ages Of the wise old sages

We are twenty and two,

We treasure the lore

And women can now With wisdom endow

The columns of this "great edition

We have marked with delight

BEATRICE WOMAN'S CLUB.

autumn of 1894, 115 members have been enrolled.

Departments of English literature, history

art, music, current events and current litera

ture were formed for study by the members

who work under the motto, "Self Culture th Basis of All Culture."

The club is a charter member of the state

federation. Mrs. A. Allee is the presiding

PLATTSMOUTH WOMAN'S CLUB.

Since the organization of the club, in the

-A MEMBER

There are

Papers

Mrs. S. C. Langworthy, president; Mrs.

members

Stromsburg, Neb.

order.

urer.

The

decided

Nebraska Women Who Belleve in Urganizations for the Promotion of Culture.

WOMEN'S CLUBS AND CURCLES

THE STATE FEDERATION OF CLUBS

One of Omaha's Institutions and What it is Doing to Aid Our City to Become the Pride of the West.

Edited by Mrs. Delia L. Ferguson.

Men are in a measure responsible for the club movement of today, or perhaps we the History department under charge of Mrs. F. A. Leavenworth, has given all its interest should say, it is to men, largely, that we are indebted for the time which we have to de-vote to such work. to German also, following lines laid down in previous years in the Cleofan. Educavote to such work.

In the days of our great-grandmothers woman's time was too full of domestic cares for her even to think of such employment of time; but when the inventor and manufacturer relieved the succeeding generations of the burden of spinning, weaving, soap-making, hand-sewing, and many other time and mind-absorbing occupations, then dil she be-gin to gather herself together and find out where she stood; and, lo! she made the humiliating discovery that while she had been diligently cultivating the domestic side of her nature the intellectual side had literally grown up to weeds; and when, later, the colleges of the country were thrown open to her daughters, she found if she would still their companion she must keep pace with them, and she found that with the help of woman's clubs and the university extension lectures she could "brush up" and look forward to intellectual companionship with them as they grew to woman's estate. There are many who question whether a woman is benefited in her home life by club work. If some woman who is undecided in the matter wants to learn the sure way to her husband's heart, let her join the Do-mentic Science department of the Omaha Woman's club. If some mother wants to learn how best to supplement the efforts of the teacher in training and educating her children, let her join the Educational department, where mother and teacher meet on on ground. If she wishes her husband on the money question, the tariff, taxes or governmental methods generally, let hor join the Political and Social Science department. The Art department Science department. The Art department will teach her how to make her home beautiful and attractive, and so we might go on multiplying suggestions, and each one would but prove more canclusively that home and club life run in parellel lines.

The mother of women's clubs is Sorosis, the great club of New York City, organized in 1868. It was the first club composed exlvely of women and governed by them.

During the first year of the club's existwas made the object of much ridicule on both aides of the sea, but it continued to fourish and at the end of the first year num-bered nearly 100 members. Alice Cary was its first president and Mrs. Croly (Jennie June) gave it its name.

Although Sorosis has been styled the Mother Women's Club and is supposed to be the first club composed of and governed by women, yet the Midland Monthly for April gives an account of literary societies con of women, in Dubuque, Ia., as early as in the '50's. Many notable women of were members of these early societios and are still prominent in literary circles, old saying that all good tgain proving the things come out of the west.

Omaha Clubs

The Omaha Woman's club is just closing second year of its existence. Its membership of 500 women is divided into departments, each of which pursues its course of study and manages its business affairs under the direction of a chairman and secretary. The literary programs which occupy the biweekly meetings of the club are furnished these departments in turn, usually from their own resources. As these open meetings come to each department but once a year there is a good natured rivalry as to which

that season. Ceramics is a growing and beautiful art and now stands upon a footing where it can rightfully demand the recogni-Art department, led by Mrs. W. W. Keysor, has given the greater part of its two years' work to the older Italian masters. A review with stereopticon illustrations has been offered from time to time and has been open

sinew of the club they must have first place

study of English literature, conducted by Miss Kate A. McHugh, has been confined

this year to Shakespeare and his work, while

W. H. H. Tracy, has followed its work of

last year on early German writers, by a comprehensive study of Faust. The work of

tional matters are considered by a body of

partment in charge of Mrs. Grace B. Sud-

borough, and another group of women gives

attention to the details of parliamentary law

Philosophy is taught by the Rev. Mary G.

studied under the guidance of Miss Ida E.

year by nearly every artist in the city.

ily for culture and social intercourse

purpose is not, however, a selfish one.

pear and experience points the way.

with pride to the fact that it made Univer-

alty Extension, and other, lectures possible last winter. Upon questions of public moral-

ity and expediency the club shows itself to

shrinks from notoriety, but it will not shirk a responsibility which belongs to intelligent

a moral power in the community as years and wisdom are added to it. Meanwhile,

democratic in spirit, altruiatic in motive, constructive in method, it unites and deep-

ens social life; it protects and inspires the

city-sordid and materialistic as it is-what

Its motto "Touching life"-all life within

"THE TUESDAY MORNING CLUB."

can spend two hours together each week in

papers written, much has been accomplished

works and gives a resume of it. Its formation was due to a suggestion of Mrs. Frank Cross,

who has been its leading spirit. The con-tinued pleasure of its charmingly informat

CERAMIC CLUB

very profitable and enjoyable way.

leadership of Mrs. A. L. Stiger.

reach-"with upward impulse"-it its goal.

erson calls "The things of

unfortunate, and it builds into the life of the

emen in association. It hopes to become

both conservative and courageous.

Political Economy is enthusiastically

mothers and teachers in an important

German literature class, taught by Mrs.

the club, and it is needless to say that such competition is the greatest possible advant-age to all concerned. As these departments are the bone and the bone and experiments are the bone and experiments are the bone and experiments are the bone and experiment approximate the second experiment approximate the

tion it deserves. WOMAN'S CLUB. On the 14th of February there was organized in this city a woman's club, com posed of eighteen colored women. Since the organization the membership has increased to the public. The Current Topic department is the targest division of the club, num-bering 160. Its work is described by its to thirty-four. The object of the association is to stimu-late intellectual development, promote unity name, as is that of the Domestic Science de-partment, led by Mrs. F. H. Pugh. The The

is the president. of purpose amongst its members, and interest them in any individual, philanthropic and reformatory effort which may affect women The Century club, of which Ellen Kirker generally, and colored women particularly. The meetings of the club are held bi-weekly is president, was organized eight years ago It was first known as the Beta club. work has been mostly in history. at the homes of the members, and this plan

will obtain until permanent club rooms, cenmembership is limited to twenty. rally located, can be secured. Just now the work is confined to two departments, political economy and civil gov-ernment, and current topics, but as the meming the heated term last summer. The or-ganization was completed and work begun

ership increases, and as leaders present themselves, departments of music, Englia literature, history and art will be formed. English The club is strictly non-sectarian, and offers its advantages to any woman who is interest in and promote the musical culture of the city. Mrs. D. A. Campbell is the in sympathy with the work and may preof the city. Mrs. D. A. C zealous and efficient president. under the direction of Mrs. A. B. Henderson. sent herself for election. The following officers have been elected for Andrews, who gathers round Dr. Hopkins "Outline Study of Man" the thought of the time from all sources as it relates to her Mrs. Laura M. Craig, recording secretary;

Mrs. Clara Franklin, corresponding secretary: Mrs. Pauline Clelans, treasurer

Edson, whose comprehensive plan for the work has won much praise. Meeting imme- This society was organized by the women diately after her class is the department in the northwestern part of the city, and is known as "Mrs. Peattie's," otherwise as that full of life and prospering in its good work. in the northwestern part of the city, of Applied Economics. Here the question The membership is increasing, and a great "What Can We Do About It?" is applied to interest is shown in all branches of study. The members are all busy, home women but are bright and intelligent, and find time for considerable study, and have a

> Exchange, and hope to make a success of that also. GIRLS' SOCIAL CLUB. This club, composed of eight young girls, was organized last January by the depart-ment of applied economics of the Omaha Woman's club. It meets every week. Miss Helen Newarth is the president and Miss Shroeder the secretary.

MU SIGMA. This The Mu Sigma is a literary society, whose sponsibility deepens with growth, and the members, in the main, are ladies living in the vicinity of Walnut Hill. Its name is desire to be a power for good in the community gathers strength as opportunities apmposed of the initials of two Greek pear and experience points the way. The slub seeks to be a medium through which the public may have opportunities of culture, studied Lowell for several months, and have the public may have opportunities of culture, sapecially in art and music, and it points

since given their time to studying the his-

Britain with equal enjoyment and profit.

customs and literature

is done largely in papers or discussions. There are two or three clubs in the

posed exclusively of women. The

P. E. O.

This organization, the largest secret society

Omaha by a very strong chapter which owes

THE LOTUS.

world for women, is represented in

different lodges in the city.

tory,

of inquiry.

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While

Johnson is the president. COLUMBIAN.

The Columbian circle was organized three

years ago. Its work is the C. L. S. C. course of reading, which covers four years. Mrs. W. A. Lindly is the president. The course of study has been laid out in a systematic and thorough way. The work LINCOLN NORMAL. that have not been reported, for the reason

There are three literary clubs in Normal, that no responses were received to letter Current Events, Shakespeare and Egerian. Those are composed of members and wives of the faculty of the Lincoln Normal uni-Aside from the Woman's clubs in the city here are, as far as we have been able to versity, together with a few other lovers of ascertain, eighteen societies which are comiterature. Mrs. J. F. Saylor is the president. of them are organizations connected with the

STANDARD MAGAZINE.

The name explains itself. It was organized and is maintained by a number of ladies who have not the time to read all the leading articles in current periodicals. By association each obtains what all desire, mething of acquaintance of the best thought f the day. Mrs. C. L. Hall is president. WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

In speaking of the Tuesday Morning club Dr. Duryea said that a literary club which had existed in Omaha since the year 1888 showed good stuff in it. It had demonstrated be fail that a fiterary failed best teachers. Miss Mason organized the showed good stuff in it. It had demonstrated best teachers. Miss Mason organized the the fact that a few women of literary tastes chapter seven years ago with seven charter The Wednesday Afternoon club was organmembers, and it has steadily grown until it has become a power for good in our midst, ized five years ago with a membership of twelve. The hostess acts as president for nothing great has been attempted and no numbering among its members some of our he day.

WESTERN NORMAL.

The Western Normal club is purely a literary club with Bohemian tendencies. Its meetings are charmingly informal. Under the name of "current topics" it discusses everything past and present. The meetings are held workfur at the hormore of the are held weekly at the homes of the mem bers, the leader being chosen from week to

SOROSIS, JR.

The members of Sorosis, Jr., have every part of the program.

reason to feel proud of their success. The programs are varied and interesting. All All papers are carefully prepared, and general

irrent topics, some very interesting papers chosen for study are not local nor individbeing read. There is to be a parlor talk from Mrs. Peattie May 10. The club is auxiliary ual, but universal-books that touch upon current topics and for general discussion of the same. Mrs. J. S. Hodgman is president. In all ages. to the State Federation. The officers are: Miss Haskell, president; Miss Scott, vice in all ages. THE BOOK CLUB. club now numbers twenty-three members.

This club is composed of twenty-four mem-

This club, which has no well established

name and is without officers or fees, was

discussion invariably

president.

Meisner is in charge. THE IDEAL CLUB.

Was organized last November with 265 bers, from whom three are selected as a buying committee. Forty-eight books are purchased and circulated among the memcharter members. Its object is to stimulate intellectual and moral development and promote good fellowship. Miss Phoebe Elliott bers. At the end of the year the books are sold at auction and the proceeds used in buying the next year's supply of books. Julia S. Rogers is the president. THE LINCOLN FEDERATION.

Eighteen thriving clubs in Lincoln have The The

joined hands in this notable organization, making its membership about 500. The first meeting was held at the Universalist church Ever keeping in time With the rythmical rhyme Of the steady and stately tread Of the marching host Of women, who boast March 14, 1895. Mrs. Field is the efficient That the future has nothing to dread

Other Clubs. NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB.

This club was organized in 1893 by a few ladies for intellectual improvement. The interest has increased with each year's work. The club is limited to nineteen members. Men, loyal and bold, Have gallantly yielded the sway To woman's power, And they bless the hour That has brought us this glorious day, Meetings are held alternate Saturday ings. One pleasant feature is the mingling of young ladies with those of mature years. And to keep well apace With the movement so grandly begun, Our club has for years, As the record appears The studies for this year are United States history and current events. Papers are read As the record appea Its aim most triumphantly and discussed, and music forms a part of each meeting. The club magazine is the Chautauquan, Shelton, Neb.

We caught the first dawnings of light, Which has brought into life, Through darkness and strife, This millenial day of delight, JOHNSON WOMAN'S CLUB. The Johnson Woman's club was organized Detaber 18, 1894; Mrs. M. Pratt, president. It has eleven members, a large club for a town of 325 inhabitants. The club meets every two weeks, on Saturday afternoons. The first hour is given to current events, the last to whatever the line of study may be. The club sent delegates to Omaha to assist in And as happy a crew As was ever launched out on the sea, And on with the tide, By humanity's side. We will sail light-hearted and free, forming the State Federation

MAY GREENE-CRISWELL. Vice President.

Johnson, Neb.

We treasure the lore Gleaned from pages of yore. And the history and art of a nation; We place great reliance Upon modern science. And have joined the State Federation. AUBURN M. C. CLUB. The M. C. club of Auburn was organized on the 7th of March, 1894. There are now sixeen members, the number being limited to twenty. The progress and might Which have flung away ancient tradition;

work the first year was the study of The American authors; for the present year the program is of a miscellaneous character, prepared by an executive board of five. Parlinneutary drill and current events take up portion of each meeting, which is held emi-monthly, on Friday afternoon. The club

olor is yellow. The club has voted to become identified with the State Federation of Clubs, and

application for membership will be made before May 1, 1895 EUNICE S. FELLOWS. Auburn, Neb.

THE ZETETIC CLUB OF WEEPING

WATER More than a decade has passed since the

organization of this club. The membership is limited to twenty married women, and each member is required to take an active Beatrice, Neb. part in the programs, which are literary and

The club was organized December 10, 1894. In 1891 the Zetetic club joined the general with twenty charter members. ow over sixty. Mrs. B. M. Stoutenborough s the efficient president and leader. Meetfederation, the first of Nebraska clubs to become identified with that large body of women, Mrs. Laura M. Woodford being the

ngs are held alternate Friday evenings at first state chairman of correspondence, a po-sition now filled by Mrs. Z. T. Lindsay of Omaha. Later it assisted in organizing the omes of the members, and are literary and social in nature. Plattsmouth, Neb. State Federation of Nebraska. THE COSY CLUB.

officer.

CRETE SOROSIS CLUB.

The Cosy club of Tecumseh was organized Scrosis originated with five members De-cember 23, 1892, and was first called the M. in September, 1893. The membership limit is ieventeen. The work of the club for the first year wa C. club. New accessions were made to the club, and in February, 1893, its name was changed to Sorosis. It now numbers sixteen he study of United States history. changed to Sorosis. It now numbers, resident and two non-resident members. Mes Barragar, president; upon biographical and historical subjects were read by the members. The first half of the prezent year was spent in the completion of Its officers are: Mrs. Barragar, president; Mrs. E. L. Billings, vice president, and Mrs. the history and a brief study of American historians. The second half of the year is being devoted to a review of American John Sherrill, secretary. It meets fortnightly Programs are issued two months in advance. The club gives special attention to ancient Uterary women and their work. Current Topics, presented by one of the history; it completed Egyptian history 1893, and is now studying Grecian. A pap members and discussed by the club, closes the literary program of the afternoon and A paper is given at each meeting on some live topic of the day. Current events form no small introduces the social hour. Light refreshments are served. The New Year's reception and May day meeting are annual events of

STROMSBURG WOMAN'S CLUB.

great interest locally. The Woman's club of Stromsburg was or-There has been a growing interest in the

long associated with educational work in th west and a member of the Woman's club of Grand Rapids, Mich., justly belongs the honor of founding the Fremont Woman's club. We thought it might be possible to attain a

advance in the literary work

FREMONT CLUB

Miss Marion Horsford of Vermont

membership of fifty, but behold! our club which a year ago began with seven carnest women, now shows an enrollment of 200 names

The first object of the club was the promotion of literary and scientific pursuits, but we are broadening and entering on various departments. Our ctub motto is: "Striving toward all that will enrich and enroble life." The secret of our existence and success lies in the fact that the time was ripe for the club, the germ was with us already. Minn Horsford came and we found others had been dreaming the same dream. It needed but her voice, and her presence among us to quicken

the germ, and the conditions were fulfilled; the dream became a reality. The united efforts of our earnest members have done the rest. FRANCES A. CROWELL.

NEBRASKA STATE FEDERATION OF WOMAN'S CLUBS.

The state federation was organized in Omaha December 10, 1894. Mrs. Z. T. Lindsey was elected chairman of the convenion and Mrs. A. B. Somers secretary. There were delegates from many clubs in the state and city, most of which became members of the federation. Mrs. Frances Ford, president of the Omaha Woman's club, delivered the address of welcome.

The following state officers were elected: Mrs. James H. Canfield, president, Lincoln; Mrs. Robert B. Peattle, vice president, Omaha; Mrs. S. C. Langworthy, secretary, Seward; Mrs. J. W. Dawes, treasurer, Crete; Mrs. Langworthy, secretary, Seward; I. N. Woodford, auditor, Weeping Water. The first annual meeting will be held at Lincoln the first week in October, 1895. FDITOR'S NOTE-There are several clubs

in the state which have failed to respond to notes of inquiry, hence are not represented.



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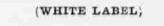
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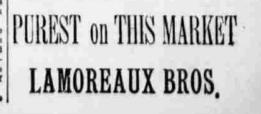
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DE No matter what has been said about its purity the fact still remainsand it is on record in the Health office-that the les cut by us from the river is the



most noted social, literary, musical and chari-table women. The society emblem is a golden in different lines of reading. Each member table women. Tae scc'e'y emblem is a golden chooses an author, selects one of his best star bearing the letters "P. E. O." th black enamel. The ladies have secured the national convention for Omaha, and on the 12th of October our city will be thronged with bright Intelligent women, representing nearly every home meetings is assured under the present | state in the union. Lincoln Clubs. week.

Although the public does not hear much of the Nebraska Ceramic club these days, it is The Lotus club was organized in March. The 1881; its main work has been in literature; there is a good natured rivalry as to which nevertheless in a flourishing condition. The 1881; its main work has been in literature: ahali give the greatest pleasure and profit to regular meetings are held once a month, at its meetings have been held at the homes

public, political and humanitarian affairs. The musical department has probably made more of an impression upon the public mind than any other in the club because of the fact that its monthly musicales have been terest in woman's place and work in the world. They have lately started a Woman's thrown open to all. As these are the only

exercises of the club where money will procure admission, they have been largely attended by non-members. Mrs. J. R. Bu-chanan is the popular leader of this department and she has been assisted this It will be seen from this presentation of department work that the club exists primar-