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THE SUNRISE NEVER FAILS. Upon the sadness of the sea The sunset broods regretfully;

So out of life the splendor dies; So darken all the happy skies; So gathers twilight, cold and stern; But overhead the planets burn.

And up the east another day Shall chase the bitter dark away; What though your eyes with tears be wet The sunrise never failed us yet.

The blush of dawn may yet restore Our light and hope and joy once more. Sad soul, take comfort, nor forget That sunrise never failed us yet!

That Gingles girl's giggle is sadly out of tune. The income tax proposition is suspicious enough to be part of the Iowa idea.

A western paper asserts that college bred is half a loaf. It might be charged with equal truth that some of it is synonymous with dough.

Everything seems at odds ends nowadays. A Kansas man stooped in the road to pick up a horseshoe and was run over by an automobile.

The commission plan of city government, like John Brown's soul, is marching on. Fargo, N. D., will vote on its adoption in a few days. A little later Burlington and Clinton in this state will likely both give it their approval.

Illinois is to receive the solid brass figurehead which formerly adorned the battleship Illinois. The Peoria Herald-Transcript voices the hope that the state will not follow its usual custom and elect it to office. What was it the esteemed H. T. wanted and didn't get?

After four years trial of a three years high school requirement the State University of Iowa has gone back to the old plan and students must now have a four years' high school course before they will be admitted. The old board of regents took this action at their meeting just before going out of office.

According to the veracious St. Louis Globe-Democrat it was merely a coincidence that the Platte River was twenty feet higher than ever before in its history on the day that Mr. Bryan wrote to Mr. Taft proposing to water the federal constitution by submitting two constitutional amendments to the country at once.

The Indiana supreme court has decided that townships cannot be compelled to supply conveyances to carry children to school. In passing upon the matter it argues that it is better for the health of the pupils to walk some distance in the open air than to be carried, usually in closely covered carriages or busses.

It is estimated that \$48,000,000 will be required for canal work for the fiscal year of 1911. The fiscal year's appropriations amounted to \$23,500,000. The increase for 1911 is due to the amount of structural steel that will be required for the gates of the great locks which will be one of the largest items of the appropriation.

The legislature of Illinois at its last session adopted an act "to regulate and limit hours of employment of females in any mercantile establishment, factory, or laundry, in order to safeguard the health of such employees." A similar act adopted in Oregon, has been declared constitutional by the supreme court of the United States.

Only the other day a Grand Rapids woman committed suicide rather than remove to Chicago. Wednesday at Sterling, Ill., Cora Stoner, when right at the altar and on the very brink of the matrimonial abyss, refused to marry William Walkins because he insisted on living in Peoria. The Jacksonville Courier suggests in extenuation of their conduct that both of them probably had "a woman's reason" and that that "is sufficient." They also had two other reasons which cannot be called in question, to-wit: Chicago and Peoria.

The election of J. U. Sammis of Sioux City as Grand Exalted Ruler of the B. P. O. E., and F. C. Robinson of Dubuque as grand secretary is the first time these two honors ever have fallen upon one state. The remaining offices are of inferior merit or Iowa might have appropriated some of them also.

President H. H. Polk of the Des Moines Interurban railroad told the executive council on Wednesday that his company had planned for 400 miles of interurbans centering in Des Moines but that the two-cent fare cut down their receipts by throwing the traffic back to the steam roads, and that they would build no more till the future of interurbans became more assured. His line has now sixty-nine miles.

The clubwomen of North Dakota are to erect a statue to the memory of Sacajawea, the Indian woman who guided the Lewis and Clark expedition. It will be near Bismarck, a huge boulder to be the pedestal. As the expedition was led to the west, the figure of the Indian woman will face in that direction. A statue in honor of this Indian woman was erected at Portland, Ore., last year.

The Des Moines Tribune declares that—"Congress will never get the revision downward habit bad enough to put the salaries back where they were a few years ago."

Probably not; but if downward revision should obtain to any considerable extent the salaries would go back to where they were a few years ago without any further aid from congress.

The editor of the Van Meter (Iowa) Reporter knows where he is "at," all right, and is willing to do his whole duty in the premises. Witness the following paragraph from the latest issue of his paper:

"A blackmaller is said to be in our midst; if reports are true that reach this office, the guilty one should be taken out and horsewhipped and given a coat of tar and feathers. They should be kicked out of town by a jackass and we would like to do it."

It is proposed to raise the speed limit of automobiles in residence districts in Des Moines from eight to fifteen miles an hour. It is also proposed to modify the ordinance recently passed by the city council prohibiting the leaving of automobiles and other conveyances in front of buildings in the down-town district.

In which shoppers go down town to do their trading are not allowed to stand in front of the stores while the owners are making their purchases business men hold that their trade will be materially injured.

Col. Albert E. Pope, head of the Pope Manufacturing company, is seriously ill at his home at Cohasset, N. Y. and will probably not recover.

The Mason City Globe-Gazette recalls that Colonel Pope was the pioneer of the bicycle and proved conclusively what advertising could do. When the bicycle was at its height secured more by newspaper advertising than from any other one means, he retired from active management and newspaper advertising was discarded. The business slumped immediately and although the bike is not the popular means of locomotion, as of yore, Colonel Pope has often said that with the right kind of advertising it could be restored to its pristine glory.

The papers are telling of ten Republicans who voted against the passage of the tariff bill in the senate, which is said to be a remarkably large proportion. The case is not without precedent. The Iowa City Republican recalls that—

"History tells us that the tariff of 1842, the famous Whig tariff, was passed in the senate with nine Whigs voting against it, while twenty-one supported it. It only got through by one vote, three Democrats voting for it. Four years later, every Whig in the senate including three of those who opposed the enactment of the tariff of 1842, voted against the repeal of that beneficent measure. Will history repeat itself?"

It has a habit of doing that sort of thing.

The board of prison inspectors in Missouri have resolved to follow the example set by Warden Jones when he was at the head of the Iowa penitentiary at Fort Madison in abandoning the use of stripes and uniforming the convicts according to grades. All the details of the plan have not been worked out as yet, but the general idea is to have a special uniform for the prisoners in the Missouri penitentiary who conduct themselves according to the rules. There are to be several grades of clothing, according to the merit of the inmates. Those who have attained the high merit uniform will be reduced to the uniform denoting an inferior grade when they violate the rules. As at Fort Madison, the striped clothing will be retained in a restricted degree for the incorrigibles.

OUR GREAT OIL FIELDS. During the past year, as shown by the report of the geological survey just made public eighteen states produced 166,000,000 barrels of crude petroleum. Iowa is not credited with a single barrel but Illinois on the east produced more than 24,000,000 barrels, and Missouri on the south, something more than a trace. Oklahoma holds first place with nearly 44,000,000, or about one-fourth of the whole country's output. California was second. The increased activity

of the three great fields—California, Oklahoma and Illinois—was the dominant feature of the situation rather than the discovery and opening of any considerable new fields. The principal new field to gain prominence was the Caddo pool, in northwestern Louisiana. Literally thousands of new wells were drilled, and more than 13,000 of them proved productive. The average price per barrel was just one cent more in 1908 than in 1907.

OPTIMISM. President Hadley of Yale, in his recent baccalaureate sermon, laid down the doctrine of optimism as the thing most likely to promote human happiness. The following paragraph gives the gist of his idea:

"The man who is cynical, whether about women or business or politics, is assumed—and in nineteen cases out of twenty with full justice—to be immoral in his relations to women or business or politics. The man who has faith in the integrity of others in the face of irresponsible accusations is assumed—and in nineteen cases out of twenty justly assumed—to have confidence in other's goodness because he is a good man himself. This is why people will follow the optimist, even though he is sometimes wrong, and shun the pessimist, even though he is sometimes right."

In other words, we judge others by what we know of ourselves. It has long been recognized that a man has generally the good or ill qualities which he attributes to mankind.

SUFFRAGE DEFEATS THIS YEAR. That all women are not in favor of woman suffrage is proved by the existence and efforts of the Association Opposed to the Further Extension of Suffrage to Women. This organization has a membership of more than 14,500 women, and it is working against the franchise with almost as much determination as the advocates of suffrage are working for it. As a part of their campaign they publish a paper called the Renouncement which abounds in arguments for their cause.

In a recent issue of this paper was given a list of suffrage disappointments in the legislatures this year. The list included the defeat of the proposed constitutional amendments in the legislatures of Massachusetts, California, Oklahoma, Iowa, Minnesota, and New York; of presidential suffrage bills in Kansas and Rhode Island, and of suffrage referendums in Iowa and Minnesota. To this list of suffrage defeats the following additions are recorded in a later issue of the same paper:

In Maine, the judiciary committee reported adversely upon a proposed constitutional amendment, and its report was accepted.

In New Hampshire the house defeated a municipal suffrage bill by a vote of 95 to 115.

In Connecticut a municipal suffrage bill was favorably reported but was defeated in the house by a viva voce vote.

In Arizona, a municipal suffrage bill was defeated.

In Wisconsin, a proposal to give women full suffrage provided that a referendum to be taken in 1910 should be in favor of it, passed the senate but was defeated in the assembly by a vote of 34 yeas to 53 nays.

In Illinois the Billings municipal suffrage bill failed of passage in the senate by a vote of 25 to 13. 25 votes being necessary for passage. A motion to reconsider was defeated, 22 to 21. By a vote of 13 to 15 the senate refused to enact the Chicago charter suffrage bill.

In Missouri the proposed suffrage amendment to the constitution was adversely reported and no attempt was made to reverse the action of the committee.

NOTES AND COMMENT. The Cedar Rapids Gazette observes that Chicago is having an awful time of it trying to lose Miss Gingles.

"Time to spend and money to burn are the first aids to the divorce courts," says the Marshalltown Times-Republican.

The Iowa City Republican predicts that within the next ten years a lot of fellows will be denying they ever were progressives.

Eighty teams drawing eighty loads of hogs drove into Mechanicsville one day and the day before there were forty loads of hogs.

The Sioux City Journal wonders if it is necessary to repeat that it takes a lot of killing to put the Iowa corn crop in shape for a funeral.

The Women's Federated clubs of America claim 5,000 branches, organized in forty-six states, with an aggregate membership of 800,000 women.

Women in Massachusetts have pledged themselves not to buy from firms that advertise in an objectionable way. Belgium is said to have solved the problem in this way.

The Ottumwa Courier has figured out that if Rusty Owens and his vallant band can win twenty straight games the team can reach the 500 mark in the percentage column.

A Chicago Tribune paragrapher in explaining why the Wright airship failed to soar in two trials, says that in the first flight Orville raised his hand to brush a fly from his neck and in the second something got in his nose and he had to sneeze.

What Next? Jacksonville Courier: Thaw, Snell, Halos, Gould, Goggles! Gosh!

Summer Bromides. When you're invited out to spend a day or two Beside the lake with some dear friend It's up to you Some certain things to do and say In certain, fixed and proper way.

For instance when you pass your plate For extra meat, "It is a fright," be sure to state. "The way I eat. In town I scarcely take a bite, But here I've found my appetite."

Then you must talk about the air. So fresh and pure, Exhilarating, you declare, A certain cure For dread insomnia—then add, "Last night a splendid sleep I had."

The beauties of the spot admire. This way will do: "Of such a place I never tire, I envy you Who lope up here in summertime While I must toil in smoke and grime."

These are the summer bromides all Resorters know, When city friends come up to call, They'll babble so, And should you fall these things to say They'll think your mind has gone astray.

—Detroit Free Press.

The Attorney General's Saloon Ruling. Dubuque Telegraph-Herald: A careful reading of the Moon law discloses no publicity clause, lacking which the law could not have become effective before July 4. Section 26 of the constitution of Iowa provides:

"No law of the general assembly, passed at a regular session, of a public nature, shall take effect until the fourth day of July next, after the passage thereof. . . . If the general assembly shall deem any law of immediate importance, they may provide that the same shall take effect by publications in newspapers of the state."

The confusion concerning the law originates in this first provision: "From and after the passage of this act, no city or town council shall, by resolution, grant consent to sell intoxicating liquors as a beverage at retail to greater number of persons than one to every one thousand of the population of the said city or town as shown by the last preceding state or national census," etc.

If the Moon law had carried a publicity clause, and had been published, it would have become effective immediately upon such publication. But carrying no publicity clause it could not have become effective before July 4. When Mr. Byers contends, as he must to sustain his position, that the words "from and after the passage of this act" make the provisions of the act binding with the force of law, from the moment of its passage, or April 12, he asserts the power of the legislature to disregard the constitution, and his position is untenable.

That it was clearly the purpose of the legislature to cut down gradually the number of saloons as of the date of the passage of the act there can be no question. But the spirit of an act of the legislature is utterly of no consequence until the act has become a statute and binding with the force of law. The attorney general himself cannot be so poorly versed in the constitution and the law as to be ignorant of the fact that the words "from and after the passage of this act" and the fact of the passage of the act itself were not sufficient in themselves, without the publicity clause to make the act effective before July 4.

His opinion convicts him of inexcusable ignorance and stupidity, or of using his office to gratify the element in Iowa which favors prohibition.

The Moon law was materially altered in form before its passage. It may be that the agents of the saloon forces in the legislature craftily secured the omission of the publicity clause; it may be that all the legislators having to do with the drafting of the act wholly overlooked the omission of the publicity clause. Certainly it is true that the omission gave the saloon forces nearly three months in which to establish new saloons. One may deplore or be gratified by it, yet the fact remains that the saloons authorized before July 4 and after April 12 were legally authorized.

Who Bellowed For Help? Iowa City Republican: A Clear Lake correspondent has an Iowa item going the rounds of the papers that for curious construction is as wonderful, as the incident related. The item says the biggest fish ever caught in the lake was landed by a traveling man, James E. Lennon, after forty minutes of special endeavor in which traveling man ingenuity was matched against pickerey sagacity, with the result that the pickerey got the worst of it and was landed. Then, after giving the particulars of the forty minutes' contest, the correspondent says:

"The fish weighed twenty-two and one-half pounds. It was hooked with an ordinary line and pole, Mr. Lennon being alone, and it was only after the most skillful maneuvering was he able to make a landing and then had to lie down on the monster to keep him from getting back into his element, while he bellowed lustily for help. The carcass was mounted and placed in the club house."

We believe this is the first time a fish was ever known to bellow for help, and while he was bellowing, it is to its credit that it "bellowed lustily" while there is some doubt on the point, presumably it is the fish's

carcass and not Mr. Lennon's that is to be mounted and exhibited in the boat house.

The Rural Telephone. A neighborhood not far from here. Put in a telephone this year. All you had to do was ring. And every bell went ting-a-ling; One for Swanson, two for Boggs, Long and short for Mrs. Scroggs; Every neighbor had his call. Twist the crank and that is all. Somehow, in a week or two, Troubles dark began to brew, Farmer Jones got fighting hot, Heard Scroggs calling him a sot; Scroggs also got angry, too; Heard Smith telling what he knew. Smith heard Johnson telling lies, Fald him off with two black eyes; Johnson heard young Ezra Boggs, Underbid him on his hogs. Women, too, were in the muss, Raised a most tremendous fuss. Every one from Scroggs to Jones, In glass houses throwing stones. Now the line has silent grown, Wires rusted, poles o'erthrown; Twenty friends are deadly foes, Each one full of grief and woes, Each too mad to speak a word, 'Cause of things they overheard.

—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Iowa and California. Cedar Rapids Republican: Out in California the newspapers are copying weather items from the papers on this side of the Rocky mountains and sympathizing with the people on the torrid heat through which they have to pass. "Well, we do have a few weeks of hot weather 'back east,' but it is the weather that makes the crops and that makes us rich, rich enough for some of us to go to California and spend the winter months. But as a matter of fact a few weeks of hot weather are not so detrimental as the long siege of summer weather they have in California. There it begins in April and ends in December. It is the length of the summer, with its dryness and its dustiness that literally fags out the people. The man who has to spend his summers in Iowa is not injured as much by the heat as the man who has to spend them in southern California. As to torridity of heat, this may be said: Last September, between Los Angeles and San Bernardino, the writer struck a wave of heat such as he has never experienced in Iowa, where he was born and has lived continuously. That one day in the lovely San Gabriel valley was worse than a month in Iowa in June at that. In that valley there was not an inviting green spot, except some of the fruit trees after one had shaken the dust from them, which laid on them half an inch deep. Water was found in only a few ditches. In Iowa everything is fresh and green, everything is inviting.

The California papers have long had the habit of 'roasting' Iowa, where its best people come from. They exaggerate badly our hot waves in summer time and our cold waves in winter time. Even Bob Burdette has been in the habit of talking a whack at Iowa, from his pulpit, the Iowa that gave him his reputation in the world of letters.

Iowa people are getting a little tired of such misrepresentations. They want it understood that they are going to do some talking back. Southern California is very well for the man who goes there to spend a few months in the winter time, but God have mercy on the man who has to live in its valleys all the year around and to work in its dusty orchards. Iowa is a paradise compared with that.

Should Be Ladylike at Ball Games. Rockwell City Advocate: A word of warning. There are a few men in town who become unnecessarily excited when attending a game of ball and the Advocate wishes in the kindest spirit to caution them against any unseemly conduct in the way of unnecessary demonstrations of approval when the home boys make a score or a brilliant play. Boisterousness gratifies upon the sensibilities of refined people and should as far as possible be avoided. While it may not be in good taste to become personally in this matter, in order that there may be no misunderstanding we will say that this item has direct reference to Dr. Parker, Fred Lavender and Art Edwards. These gentlemen will please bear in mind this admonition at future games.

Value of a Face. Boston Herald: The smiling face of President Taft may not be his fortune, but it is a great asset. No one can look upon it without feeling like smiling back. And it must be of great help in the interviews with office seekers. Mr. Roosevelt with his gritted teeth and iron jaw, often used to send applicants away in ill-suppressed fury. Mr. Taft evidently knows how to temper the negative with his big good humor. To look upon reflections of that face during the next four years cannot fail to raise by a few degrees the average cheerfulness of the nation.

Odd Combination. Aledo Times-Record: Cambridge has a very novel place of amusement. Said place being a moving picture show operated in a deserted saloon, and fitted up with second-hand pews.

How About This? Cedar Falls Record: Because Senator Gilliland said some good things for Iowa in his debate with Miss von Petzold on the woman suffrage question the Register and Leader takes him to task and calls his praise of the state the rankest kind of standpointism, meaning thereby that he shouldn't have said it. It must be that Harvey

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Ingram has some land up in Canada also.

The Late Dr. J. M. Emmert. Des Moines Capital: Dr. Joseph M. Emmert, for over thirty-five years a practicing physician at Atlantic, Iowa, died today. Dr. Emmert was widely known and had served as a member of the state senate. He came to Atlantic from Maryland in the year 1874. He was regarded as the leading citizen of the place and was universally respected. He was at the time of his death the Democratic member of the state board of paroles and pardons.

Dr. Emmert was with Messrs. Berry and Smith, his associates on the parol board, and Governor Carroll at Fort Madison on Saturday last. He left his associates at Fort Madison and went to Atlantic on account of his health. He was suffering with a stomach affection. He looked badly. He had been a sufferer for a number of years and was emancipated in appearance.

Cause of His Downfall. Council Bluffs Nonpareil: An Indiana bank teller, on being arrested for embezzlement, confessed and explained that he took the money to maintain his wife in a social position above what his legitimate means made possible. This looks like one of those cases where divorce might have been a blessing.

The Cedar Behaves. Cedar Rapids Gazette: While the Des Moines, the Missouri, the Kaw and some other rivers have been "on a bender"—full as a goat—the staid old Cedar has been behaving just like it always behaves—excellently. The Cedar is an ideal stream.