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NOCTURNE.

The bee to the hive, and the bird to the nest, And the weary sun to the waiting west;

The opened bud to its close again, And sleep to the heavy eyes of men. Night bringeth the hour of all the best—

It bringeth the babe to mother's breast. The owl to the tree, and the stars to the sky, And the silver moon to its journey high;

The beetle lurcheth in humming flight While the firefly flashes across the night. Then cometh the hour of softest charms—

It bringeth the babe to mother's arms. The night foldeth in as a drapery soft As the far perfumes that the breezes waft;

The world is there—but we are here With lullaby, lullaby, low and clear. Night sendeth the hour of all apart—

It bringeth the babe to mother's heart. —W. D. Nesbit.

A headline writer in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat locates Minneapolis in Wisconsin. Even Jove nods sometimes.

It is surmised by the Sioux City Journal that probably the spellbinders are trying it first on Kansas with the notion that what will go there will go anywhere.

Speaking of the power of the press, a writer in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat declares that nothing is so effective in swatting the fly as a newspaper—folded properly.

With two doctors in command of our army, the soldiers will probably learn to take their medicine.—Omaha Bee.

Also to practice their profession secundum artem. The tariff reformers have become exceedingly shy of figures of late. Just at present they have an especial antipathy to the official exhibit showing the practical workings of the Aldrich-Payne law.

Ever notice how much help is offered the man who thinks he ought to die poor?—Marshalltown Times-Republican.

Certainly. We have also observed the enthusiasm with which it is tendered. It would be rather stretching things, however, to conclude that altruism has become the dominant human motive in this Year of Our Lord MCMX.

"Vacation for an employe is a good thing for the employer," says Mr. Rockefeller. It enables him to read out just how much an employe is worth. And, of course, it may show an employe how easily he can be replaced.

Speaking consoling to Peoria, the Springfield News says that, anyway, it may be said in favor of Joseph A. Proctor, the absconding Peoria lumber merchant, that he remained in that city long enough to be enumerated by the census man. The plaint of the people of Peoria is that so many of their citizens are either fugitives from justice or are safely incarcerated in some penitentiary, that the 1910 count was necessarily unsatisfactory.

It is not supposed that many immigrants come to this country from the British Isles, and, compared to the immigration from other sections, the percentage is quite small. Yet there is a steady stream of people coming from that section to the United States, more coming to this country than going to Canada. In 1909 there came from England and Wales to the United States 50,772, and to Canada 60,261.

AURORA'S NEW HEALTH LAWS. The board of health of Aurora, Ill., has just promulgated some rules in the interest of the public health, and has given notice that they will be strictly enforced.

Take a bath once a week. Do not spit on the floors, even of your own house. Sinks, wash bowls, etc., must be kept strictly clean.

THE SALOON QUESTION. Correspondent Questions Wisdom of Bill to Investigate the Liquor Traffic—Nuts for Bryan to Crack.

HAMILTON, Ill., July 27.—During the days of the Hon. S. M. Clark there was a column in The Gate City under the heading "A Pulpit Where Everyone Can Preach."

WHY IOWA IS GREAT. The latest contribution to the Des Moines Capital's symposium on "Why Iowa is the Best State in the Union," is made by Mr. W. E. Holmes, secretary of the Sioux City Commercial club.

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Yet fertile as were the valleys, hills and plains of Iowa, their wealth was attainable only by intelligent industry and the abundant prosperity of our farms, villages, towns and cities is proof conclusive that the good qualities of our pioneers have been transmitted to their children and their children's children.

Attention is further called to the fact that among these excellent qualities is a desire for constant intellectual development, and while our schools and colleges have graduated brilliant, resourceful professional and business men in all lines, our agricultural college has advanced agriculture to a place among the sciences, and it is laid down as a postulate that cannot be denied that agriculture is the basis of our prosperity, making possible the many Iowa jobbing houses and factories whose aggregating business runs into the hundreds of millions annually.

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vinegar-countenanced old scandal-mongers will howl and howl about the evils of dancing when they themselves carry around more tanks of gossip than could be loaded on an Anheuser-Busch beer wagon. The most faithful helper the devil has is the gossip.

WINNEBAGO ANNUAL POWWOW. Sacred Rites Conducted on Reservation Near Sioux City.

Sioux City Tribune: Carrying out a custom inherent in their race—no one knows how long—the Winnebago Indians have just held their annual powwow at the reservation across the Missouri. Many Sioux City people motored over the scenic road to Winnebago and found themselves fully repaid for their journey in witnessing the picturesque dances of the redskins.

There are two divisions among the Winnebagoes, due to political or religious differences, which for convenience may be called "standpats" and "progressives." The old timers of more primitive tastes, held their celebration around the flag pole out past the agency, near the graves of their departed chieftains, while the younger men, together with a coterie of games of chance proprietors and other street fakirs, held forth on the big hill near the town.

One of the papers read before the meeting of the Upper Des Moines Editorial Association in Iowa City last week was that on "Effect of the New Postal Regulation on the Country Newspaper Business—How to Meet It," by G. S. Caswell, publisher of The Bulletin, Denison, Iowa.

Postal Rules Iron Clad. Newspaper Publisher Relates His Experience With the Department.

Some newspaper subscribers who feel aggrieved because newspaper publishers are urging subscribers to renew their subscriptions promptly to comply with the ruling of the postal department may be interested in the experience of an Iowa editor who tried to make it easy for the subscribers. Here it is:

Is Given Respite. I will admit a little surprise in the finding made that we had 650 subscriptions which were behind. It had been our custom for a long time to stop foreign subscriptions soon after their time expired unless renewed, and had a collector out in the country rounding up other delinquents regularly.

The Carroll Indictment. Mason City Globe-Gazette: Every one who knows anything about the Carroll-Cornwall matter knows that the indictment of Governor Carroll is purely for political purposes, and when the leading Republican paper in coarse cartoon glories in the indictment of a Republican governor whose official and personal life has been honest, faithful and above reproach it does not take a very astute person to see the motive for the indictment at this time and the purpose which it is hoped will be accomplished.

It is now up to Governor Carroll to fight and fight hard, and he has never yet failed to defend himself against special interests or grafters. Any fair-minded person will be content to wait till the courts convene and the governor has opportunity to secure legal vindication, but by cartoon and innuendo and criticism of an honest official who has given the state a good business administration, the campaign of comfort and aid to democracy will go ahead, and that means a beautiful political mess all over the state before the November election.

One Editor's View of Dancing. Burt Monitor: Down at Livermore the Baptists gave a dance in the parsonage. My, what a horrible shock this must have been to some people. While we do not dance, we'd rather go to a dance and watch Jim Jones hug Tom Smith's wife than to attend a gathering where Jim Jones' wife tongue-lashed Tom Smith's wife and all her neighbors.

Finds It Himself. Detroit Free Press: When a man starts to go to the bad he doesn't have to be shown the way.

THE MAN WHO SPENDS ALL OF HIS MONEY is a good deal like the horse working in an old fashioned treadmill. He works hard, but never gets anywhere. Start a savings account today and watch it grow.

The Keokuk Savings Bank

ARE YOU PREPARED? In a financial way for any opportunity that comes to you? Are you making the effort to be prepared by adding to a Savings Account in THE STATE CENTRAL SAVINGS BANK, SIXTH AND MAIN? Savings Accounts have made more successful men than colleges. An account with us pays you 3 per cent interest and is your stepping stone to success.

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Indian Head Fine Dress Shirts and men's work garments of all kinds are made in Keokuk by Keokuk people. Help these same people by wearing INDIAN HEAD made garments. They are guaranteed to give satisfaction.

The Road'll Turn Some Day. I know the road is rocky, And the hills are hard to climb; I know the feet get bruised and sore, And it takes heap 'o' time.

The Modern Game. There little girl, don't cry! You've got a new papa, I know, And your mamma—your pride—

The Locomotive Business. Davenport Times: Advertising is the locomotive of retail business. It pulls trade. It pleases patrons and store owner alike.

Jud Welliver Classified. Kewanee Star-Courier: Judson C. Welliver, whose name as a Washington correspondent is familiar to readers of some Iowa newspapers has been discovered by Hampton's Magazine.

Mer Lost Jewels. Backlotz—What's this I hear about Mrs. Swellman being robbed of her jewels? Subbubs—Fact. They're gone, and Mrs. Kraft is the guilty party.

James McNamara's Sons —DEALERS IN— Building Material and Sewer Pipe Atlas Portland Cement Louisville and Utica Cement, Lime, Hair, Stucco, Mortar Colors. Acme Cement Plaster Sewer Pipe, Drain Tile, Gutter Pipe, Fire Brick, Fire Clay, Flue Lining, Chimney Pipe, Etc. 422-428 Johnson Street, Keokuk, Iowa.

The Execution of Junkin. Bonaparte Record: Junkin deserves to die. His hanging cannot bring to life the beautiful girl, Clara Rosen, but it may be a warning to others, black or white, whose brutal instincts predominate.

The Bald Eagle's Nest. Among birds the home of the bald eagle is perhaps the most striking, possibly because of the majesty of the bird itself. It appeals to the imagination.