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SOMETIME.

Sometime we're going to do a kindly deed, Or speak a helpful word to some lone heart; Sometime we're going to plant the living seed In soil where it will thrive and do its part. Sometime we'll stoop to help a wearied soul Which staggers underneath a heavy load; Sometime we'll pause, while rushing toward the goal, To aid a brother on the rocky road. Sometime glad eyes will speak the love they bear Because of favors which were ours to show; Sometime in 'Life's long day, we'll gladly share The little blessings which are ours to know. Sometime we're going to stop the ceaseless grind— This everlasting hurry-life we live, And be more loving, tender, true and kind, More thoughtful, and more ready to forgive.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

A friend is such a valuable asset that a man can afford to go a little out of his way to convert an enemy into one.—Christian Herald. There is a growing conviction that Reno, Nev., has drifted beyond the reach of good advice. "Rebel Force Steals from Agua Prieta," says a newspaper headline. What was it they took? To their heels, of course. Expulsion is the penalty for talking about one's neighbor in a Middlehope, N. Y., girl's club. One doesn't need a telescope to see the finish of that club for want of members. An Indianapolis man was to be married for the fourth time the other day. Abe Martin reports that "he ate a hearty breakfast and spent an hour with his minister and showed no signs of weakenin'."

AN ANTI-FARMER SESSION.

In a speech in the national house on Tuesday Congressman Hamilton of Michigan predicted that the present session of congress will be known throughout the country next year as "the anti-farmer session." He added that the American farmer has been studying reciprocity, but has no power to reciprocate; he has been studying discrimination, but has no power to discriminate in these matters. "He will have the power to both reciprocate and discriminate at the polls in November, 1912," declares the gentleman from Michigan. Mr. Hamilton's speech is said by Washington correspondents to have been one of the strongest pleas for justice to the American farmer that has been heard on the floor of the house. He referred to the fact that the farmer has fought the actual battles of this nation from its earliest beginnings. Mr. Hamilton declared the best way he knew to get low prices, hard times, industrial stagnation and the empty dinner pail was to turn over the affairs of the government to the architects of the Wilson tariff act. Continuing, he said: "We have had great prosperity in

An attractive programme has been arranged for the state convention of Iowa manufacturers at Burlington May 11 and 12. Among the speakers will be Clifford Thorne, of the state railroad commission; E. G. Wylie, freight commissioner of the Greater Des Moines committee; Prof. John E. Brindley, of Ames, and Sherman W. De Wolf, Gerrit Klay, William L. Harding and Frank A. O'Connor, of the Thirty-fourth general assembly.

Keokuk continues to get into the limelight—in various aspects. The "Line-o-Type" column of the Chicago Tribune on Tuesday morning contained a quotation from a circular issued by L. E. Williams, and in yesterday's issue of the Tribune was the following: FOR POLISHING PURPOSES? On menu of Hotel Keokuk: "Pond Lily Creamery Butter used exclusively on our tables."

What with work on the big dam and the efforts of individual citizens it is simply impossible to lose Keokuk nowadays.

The census bureau has issued bulletins giving the statistics of manufactures in nearly all Iowa cities. The showing is a good one. In nearly all the cities concerning which data have been published the increase in the value of manufactured products has been large, ranging from 40 to 150 per cent. In commenting upon the exhibit the Cedar Rapids Gazette well says: The showing indicates something of the possibilities of Iowa as a manufacturing state. Iowa is paying a heavy tribute annually to the eastern states. The major portion of the money thus expended would be spent at home, if the goods were manufactured here.

A RECORD-BREAKING SPECIAL.

The Clinton Herald of Tuesday last contained an interesting and informing report of the Northwestern Live Stock Special, with State Agricultural College instructors on board, which closed a three weeks trip at Anamosa last Saturday. This Special, in point of actual car count attendance, beat all previous records for a similar train running the same number of days. The best previous record was made on the Rock Island last year, where the actual attendance in five states, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma, was 36,000. The Northwestern special actual attendance for the three weeks was 42,502, which is in line with Northwestern accomplishments generally. That company invariably makes a pronounced success of everything it undertakes. Supplementary to this the Herald has put its readers under many obligations to it for its graphic account of the trip.

ALEX MILLER'S PLATFORM.

Almost every candidate nowadays declares he is for the square deal and the uplift of humanity. Alex Miller of the Washington Democrat has endeavored this thing in silence until now, but he can control himself no longer. In the latest issue of his readable paper he frankly admits that he is getting "inferentially tired of that racket." Just what degree of tiredness "inferentially" represents may be inferred from his further declaration that when he runs for the United States senate he is going to run on a platform which will say that he is going to give everybody "both barrels," and that he is going to raise hades generally. Outlining still further the course he has in mind, he says: "We will say that we are going to swindle everybody out of everything he has or ever expects to have and we are going to set fire to every old ladies home in America and rob all the orphanages in the country and tear down churches and rob henroosts and generally make all the sadness and sorrow we can in the world." The matter of making promises has been so much overdone that Mr. Miller believes the people would welcome anything for a change. He is persuaded that he would be very popular on a platform saying that he believed in ignorance and superstition and oppression and distress of every character. "Of course, everybody believes in honor and integrity and fairness and decency," he adds. "It is getting so commonplace that we feel sure the people will vote for us on a platform of everybody for himself and the devil take the hindmost." Such is the logical result of overdoing a good thing.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

"He is what might be called a Taft progressive," says the Dubuque Times-Journal, referring to Senator Kenyon. "Now that the salary of a state legislator has been increased to \$1,000 we expect to see more newspaper men in the legislature," says the Vinton Eagle. Farmer is Sufferer. "Just as in the case of admitting meat free it will be the farmer who will suffer, and to mind he will suffer through a useless attempt by a few poor political economists to protect the consumer. Five bushels of wheat, or one barrel of flour, is the average consumption per capita in the United States. Where reciprocity lowers the price of wheat 10 cents a bushel, and the millers lower their product exactly in this proportion, which they will be forced to do, the consumer would save 50 cents on his bread supply for a year. How is this going to balance the loss of the farmer, whose profit is destroyed or cut in two by the reduction? "Not only will the farmer suffer in the market price of his grain, but lower prices means less valuable

hurry about starting next year's campaign." "One thing about Lafe," observes the Marshalltown Times-Republican, "is that when one deal is off he doesn't sit mourning but hustles out to start another."

"Maybe, as he contemplates the Mexican situation, Mr. Roosevelt doesn't wish he were President again for a few months, eh?" suggests the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Superintendent Kirschner, of the State Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Oakdale will be the Iowa delegate to the International Tuberculosis Congress in Rome in September.

The Fairfield Ledger says the cost of the primary to the candidate is persistently increasing and the poor and honest man will soon be barred from making a race for office.

In the opinion of the Brighton Enterprise, the chief trouble with Iowa is the farmers generally own too much land, and instead of selling off some of it he is always trying to buy more to crowd some family off into Texas or the big cities.

RECIPROCIETY BLOW TO FARMER.

Grain Men See Middle West Producer Hit by Democratic Legislation.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Grain men of St. Louis see another blow coming the farmer's way which, with the threatened Democratic legislation in placing meat on the free list, will tend to place the producer still further at a disadvantage. Grain of all kinds has dropped 20 to 25 per cent in the last year, much of the fall having occurred in the last five months. Since the election of a Democratic House of Representatives, a further drop of 5 cents a bushel in the price of wheat is expected, in view of the pending legislation in congress, which, if passed, will remove the restrictions on the importations of cheap grain from Canada. The following table shows the range of prices in the St. Louis grain market in the last year: April 18, 1911. April 18, 1910. Wheat . . . \$.90 @ .91 \$1.08 @ 1.12 Corn . . . 48 1/2 @ 49 . 59 1/2 @ .60 1/2 Oats . . . 31 3/4 @ 32 1/4 41 1/2 @ 43 With wheat selling at more than \$1 a bushel December 1, 1910, the farmers of this section are threatened with a further reduction to the neighborhood of 85 cents, due to the possible coming of cheaper grain from outside this territory. This is well shown by a comparison of wheat prices of Duluth, Minn., and Winnipeg, Canada, which the comparison may well be made, as both are on practically the same basis, the Winnipeg price being understood to be that of Port Arthur, the Canadian lake shipping point. The following table shows these prices by months since December 1: Duluth, Winnipeg: December 1 . . . \$1.08 1/4 @ \$.95 3/4 January 1, 1911 . . . 1.03 1/4 @ .97 1/4 February 1 . . . 1.05 1/4 @ .97 1/4 March 1 95 1/2 @ .91 1/4 April 1 93 @ .89 1/4 April 18 95 1/4 @ .91 1/4

Moffitt Raps Reciprocity.

"I believe the fall in the price of wheat in the last few months is largely due to the reciprocity bill now pending in congress," said N. L. Moffitt, vice president of the Hubbard & Moffitt Commission Company, one of the leading members of the Merchants Exchange, yesterday afternoon. "In Canada wheat can be raised more cheaply than in the United States for various reasons. Land is cheaper and farming is done on a large scale. The land is new and very fertile, insuring large crops under favorable conditions. There always has been a large difference between Winnipeg prices and those ruling at Duluth, except in the few instances where a Canadian drought would destroy the crop. "If the tariff of 25 cents a bushel is taken off of wheat this foreign grain is going to flow into our markets just as certainly as water seeks its level. Under normal conditions this grain will be shipped direct to Minneapolis without ever going to Winnipeg, the Canadian grain fields being about equidistant from the flouring center and the Canadian export point. This would preclude the possibility of a freight differential acting as a slight barrier to this grain. The coming of this grain will force Nebraska and Kansas wheat into this market, these states having no outlet north as at present for their surplus, and it is easy to see that this excess grain overflowing the markets of St. Louis and Kansas City will cut the price the Missouri and Illinois farmer could otherwise procure.

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and unsatisfactory method of cleaning up. We believe there is a profitable business awaiting the man or contractor who will design and introduce this rubbish burner in Waterloo.

Killing the Cat.

Ottumwa Courier: Some doctor now comes forward and advises us to kill off the cats because they carry microbes in their whiskers and their fur. The doctor may be starting something he can't finish. Swatting the fly in the interest of science is an easy task, but any one who tries to drown or otherwise kill a cat, or who has thrown missiles galore at the back fence in an attempt to break up a nocturnal cat concert, would rather take a chance at killing the germs and leaving the cat to enjoy his nine lives.

Another Big Dam.

Marion Register: The Eagle dam, located 100 miles north of El Paso, on the Rio Grande, the building of which has already been started, will create, it is claimed, the largest storage reservoir in the world. The dam is to be 265 feet high and 1,400 feet long on top. It will flood an area of 48,000 acres to an average depth of sixty-two feet and will furnish water for the irrigation of 180,000 acres of land.

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KAHOKA, MO.

Victor Ackland has taken charge of the Goodenough photo gallery. C. L. Young is in Lancaster this week. Postmaster Alexander will move this week to his summer home in Clark City. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harkness, of Memphis, were Sunday guests of Kahoka relatives. City Marshal and Mrs. R. W. Jew-

A Rubbish Burner.

Waterloo Reporter: While on a pleasure trip to Colorado Springs a few years ago we had our curiosity aroused by a small bee-hive shaped structure which appeared in nearly every back yard of the city residences. Inquiry revealed the fact that they were used for the purpose of burning rubbish, dry garbage, and the care of ashes. The wind is so strong at times that it is impossible to burn things in the open or to leave ashes exposed to the scattering blasts, so these concrete furnaces were built. The idea is an excellent one and one of the most practical helps for a clean city that we have seen in our travels. It should be adopted in Waterloo. These outside rubbish furnaces can be made neatly and at small expense of concrete or brick, or large tubular iron set on end. They will keep the yard clean and provide a safe place for the burning of all accumulations of paper, dead grass, etc. The open bon fire is a dangerous

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and were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Roy Gutting, in Atlanta, Mo. the first of the week. The county court, sitting as a board of equalization, has been busy for the past week cutting off and lowering and raising the personal assessments of the county. Hundreds of names have been stricken from the "roll of honor." W. E. Bell is in Kansas City for a visit. Carl Marsh left Monday for Keokuk where he will be employed with his brother in the painting and paperhanging business. S. E. Calvert and family of Jefferson township, left Saturday for Twin Falls, Idaho, where they expect to make their future home. They have a claim there. Last Thursday evening George Stanford was given a surprise party at his home in honor of his 20th birthday. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable evening spent. Mrs. John Callison of Kahoka, was 73 years old last Thursday and the members of the ladies aid of the Christian church gave her a surprise. An enjoyable time is reported. John Edwin Callihan has "caught cases" at the Press office. B. F. Waggoner and family are now residents of Keokuk. Rev. C. D. Reichle, pastor of St. Paul's German church in Kahoka, and at Winchester, has tendered his resignation and will remove to Milwaukee where he has accepted a similar charge. Rev. Reichle has been in Kahoka for several years and has made many friends, who will regret to see him and his estimable family leave. Mrs. G. M. Hiller and daughters have gone to Champaign, Ill., where they will remain indefinitely. The home is being occupied by E. N. Boyer and family. Owen Morris, as local deputy for the Woodmen, is doing some excellent work and scarcely a meeting night goes by but he has several new applications to present. Probate court convenes Monday, May 8. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Meyers and daughter are the guests of Navooz relatives.

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