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THE UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY. Forever am I unconscious, moving here, That should I step a little space aside

I pass the boundary of some glorified Invisible domain—it lies so near! Yet nothing know we of that dim frontier Which each must cross, whatever fate betide, To reach the heavenly cities where abide (Thus Sorrow whispers) those that were most dear, Now all transfigured in celestial light! Shall we indeed behold them, thine and mine, Whose going hence made black the noonday sun? Strange is it that across the narrow night They fling us not some token, or make sign That our beyond is not Oblivion. —Thomas Bailey Aldrich.

THESE SHALL REMAIN. Of perfect service rendered; duties done In charity, soft speech and stainless days; These riches shall not fade away in life, Nor any death disprove. —Edwin Arnold.

Justice is sometimes slow but it generally "gets there" eventually. A motor cycle was hit by a locomotive in Nebraska the other day.

If the Burlington Hawk-Eye understands the discussion as far as it has gone, it is proposed to make the lumber trust take to the woods. In that event it will have to board itself.

A Nebraska newspaper has found on investigation that its readers have made outside investments aggregating nearly a quarter million dollars, with a loss of at least three-fourths the amount. The safe and sane thing is to invest one's money at home and get back both principal and interest.

Delegates attending the Millinery Traveling Men's National Association convention at Indianapolis have given out the advance information that small hats—small in size, if not in price—will be the rule in woman's headgear for next winter. The salesmen, however, are not taking any chances on the small size of hats and have adopted resolutions protesting against the proposal of railway companies to limit the size of trunks to forty-five inches in height.

State Auditor Bleakly has made a ruling in regard to the time of payment of the support funds for the state educational institutions, holding that the colleges cannot secure the funds until the close of each quarter instead of at the beginning of each one. Heretofore and for years the state auditor has been paying the support funds over to the treasurers of the institution at the beginning of each quarter, and this has made a vast difference in the available funds at each institution. Now the state auditor holds that this is not contemplated in the law.

The employers' liability commission created by the legislature at its recent session will meet about July 10 at the call of Senator Clarkson, its chairman. The members will then have placed in their hands a vast amount of information as to what has been done elsewhere in the matter of establishing the system of workmen's compensation for injuries without resort to the courts. Curator Small of the state library has been at work gathering information and finds a vast amount of literature available. A great many laws have been passed, courts have rendered decisions and several commissions have made exhaustive investigations.

That Taft is gradually growing in strength in all parts of the country, notwithstanding the fact that some of his policies have not met with favor, is being demonstrated almost every day. In proof of this the Clinton Herald points to the fact that the Lincoln Journal has just completed a canvass of the Republican editors of Nebraska. The result of this straw vote was to show that a majority believed that President Taft can carry Nebraska; that he can be elected, and that no stronger man than Taft can be nominated by the Republican party next year. The majority was not large on any of the three propositions, but the vote dem-

onstrated that there is a feeling that Taft is the logical man for President again next year.

A Boston man at the recent New Thought convention in Omaha declared that mosquitoes never bite a new thoughter twice. The conclusion seems warranted that it is a wise insect that knows when it has had enough.

FIRST REGIMENT TO LEAVE.

Governor Carroll in his speech at the opening of the Fairfield armor, referred to the first Iowa regiment to depart from the state in the war. The Burlington Hawk-Eye last Saturday, in answer to a question of which regiment went first, replied that the First and Second went on the same boat, from Keokuk, on the 18th of June, 1861. In the Hawk-Eye of yesterday Hiram Heaton of Glendale makes the following correction:

"The Second Iowa, Col. Robert E. Curtis, left Keokuk twelve hours earlier than did the First.

"The date was as Governor Carroll said, June 13, 1861." The general impression here in Keokuk is that the Second Iowa was the first regiment to leave, as stated by Mr. Heaton. Possibly some of the readers of The Gate City can authoritatively confirm or deny his statement. The columns of this paper are open to contributions on the subject.

AN EXAMPLE FOR KEOKUK.

Mr. B. A. Dolan, in a communication in a recent issue of The Gate City, deplored the practice of Keokuk contractors and others in obstructing the streets with material of one kind and another and in failing to display danger signals as the ordinances require. His letter attracted the attention of the Burlington Hawk-Eye, which thus comments upon it:

"Burlington is a better managed municipality in many respects than the majority of Iowa cities. This is especially true of the finances. And there are other features of local superiority, as for instance, a citizen of Keokuk complains in The Gate City that the contractors, carpenters and masons scatter their material promiscuously in the streets and there is no attempt to display danger signals at night. This is not creditable, and especially to a city under the commission form of government, through which better things are expected. The strict enforcement of the rules relating to the temporary occupation of a limited street space by contractors, and an ample display of red lights, inaugurated under Mayor Gaster's administration in Burlington, has ever since been maintained to the decided advantage of the public. Now that Keokuk expects to do a great deal of building, she ought to send her city officials to Burlington and learn how to control the municipal end of it."

The law on the subject is plain and imperative. Section 353 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Keokuk reads as follows:

"When any person shall be about to erect or repair any house or building, and shall wish to occupy a part of the street by placing a line-house or materials for building therein, such person shall apply to the city marshal, who shall allot such part of the street as may be proper and necessary for such a purpose, and grant a permit, to continue in force for such time as shall be reasonable, and necessary, which permit shall be in writing, and shall describe the space to be used; and the marshal, on granting such permit shall include therein such conditions as a due regard to the convenience of the citizens may require, one of which shall be that such persons shall at all times after dark keep one or more red lights as may be necessary, placed so as to warn any person approaching of the location of such obstruction; and if any person having permission as aforesaid shall in any respect violate the conditions thereof, or any of them, or permit any such violation, such permit shall be null and void, and he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

All that is necessary to abate the evil complained of is to enforce the section of the law reproduced above. Some contractors are disposed to obey its requirements, and others place obstructions in the streets and leave them there for months at a time in shameful disregard of the law and the rights and convenience of the public. All should be required to take out permits and live up to the conditions specified therein.

HEALTH OF THE ARMY.

Gen. Wood has given a most remarkable example of the efficiency of vaccination as has been afforded the country for a long time. He has had about twenty thousand troops in a section of the country which is about the worst to live in for people of other parts of the Union that can be imagined, but he has less sickness than has occurred in the record of his care and number of troops under arms in the history of the world.

The proportion of sickness, which was held to be very low in the Japanese army, has been reduced very much below the Japanese record point by the handling of the forces under Gen. Wood's command. He has had his men vaccinated by the thousands with never the least ill result, but with an immunity secured which entitled him to claim the record for keeping troops at a point of efficiency that is free from disease and out of the hospital. At this time, when there is the recurring movement against vaccination, it probably fails to interest the opponents of one of the great medical discoveries of modern times to find that the doctrine of vaccination is now so well understood and its effects preventative of typhoid has been discovered and been applied with great success and with no evil results whatever. It is safe to infer that medical science is making prog-

ress in spite of the opposition of sentimentalists and the untaught to stay its movement.

AGAINST RECIPROCITY.

In the Des Moines Capital's poll of the Republican newspapers of the state on the question of the proposed reciprocity with Canada the Britt Tribune was set down as non-committal. When the matter came to the attention of the editor of the Tribune, Mr. E. N. Bailey, that gentleman took his pen in hand and entered emphatic denial of the impeachment. In the course of his letter he asked to be set down as being opposed to the whole reciprocity scheme from start to finish, and suggested that this be published in letters a foot long. Continuing, Mr. Bailey wrote:

"It (reciprocity) is what the Democrats have been trying to do ever since I can remember; it has been thrashed out pro and con in nearly every political campaign for forty years, and so far as we are concerned the Democrats will have to pass the bill and become responsible for the change, if any change there be. More than that, we have no sympathy with any Republican, public or private, white or black, progressive, insurgent or straddle-of-the-fence who does advocate it. This country was prosperous under Republican rule beyond any country on earth. We have a minority that leads us back to one short season of Democratic rule, or misrule, when a little of the same brand of spots in homoeopathic doses, until reason asserted itself again and the election of William McKinley solved the problem. That was plenty for yours truly."

It was also plenty for many others who with him suffered from Democratic legislation on the tariff and now view the prospect of a repetition of the experience with well-founded alarm. It is very strange that anyone with a memory running back to 1893-7 should be willing that Democratic theories as to the tariff should be permitted to prevail.

STATE SOCIALISM A FAILURE.

Charles E. Russell, who has contributed to periodicals many articles in support of socialism, has just returned from New Zealand much discouraged with experiments in government ownership which have been proclaimed the world over as demonstrations of the success of state socialism. The experiment in that country, he says, has invited combinations of capital too powerful for the government competition. He declares that poverty is increasing and the cost of government rising, while political corruption is flourishing on a larger scale than ever. Retail trade is succumbing to the chain store form of monopoly.

Socialists will probably reply to this that socialism is not to be judged by a partial trial, but if what Mr. Russell says is true, talk of New Zealand as a workingman's paradise should cease as a phase of socialist writing and speaking, for no one can doubt the sympathetic attitude of Mr. Russell toward socialism.

SOME HEALTH PROVERBS.

The man who says he would rather have smallpox than be vaccinated never had the smallpox. Warm rooms have killed more people than ever froze to death. If you let the child have measles when he is young, you may save a doctor's bill later on, but you may have to pay the undertaker now. A good iron pump costs less than a case of typhoid. If your milkman brings you warm milk, make it hot for him. Wire screens in the windows may keep craps from the door. A fly in the milk often means a member of the family in the grave. If some people were as much afraid of flies as they are of bad water, there would be less typhoid. When you see a child looking like an angel, do not kiss it; you might make a real angel out of it. Scarletina may not sound so dangerous as scarlet fever, but ask the undertaker.

Coming Into Its Own.

Burlington Gazette: The Mississippi river has "come back," and most successfully indeed. Not in recent years have the people shown their appreciation of the gallant old stream to such a degree as today. Hardly a day elapses but what an excursion or two is in or out of Burlington, and all are well patronized. The service has been improved to a remarkable degree, the steamboats being commodious and cleanly, their officers rentlemanly and courteous. Traffic on the packets plying between St. Louis and St. Paul is showing a decided increase. The reason is obvious. Captain Streckfus, who has lately gained control of the old Diamond Jo line, is a progressive man who realizes that the people of the Mississippi valley are not second class folks, but demand the very best. With this view in mind, he has thoroughly renovated his steamers, made them comfortable in every manner conceivable, and is today rendering a service which cannot be improved upon. With a stupidity hard to comprehend, the former management's meal service was of such a character as to turn the most fastidious character. Notwithstanding that its steamers plied through the most fertile valley in the world, its meals were a horror and a nightmare. Captain Streckfus has remedied this evil and today the table on his steamers is the very best; everything is clean, sweet and wholesome and there is nothing wanting to please the taste of the most fastidious epicure. If you really want to enjoy yourself at a slight expense and at the same time behold some of the grandest scenery

anywhere on God's footstool, take a river trip to St. Paul and return. It is eminently worth while.

Which Way the Wind Blows.

Washington Democrat: This may interest you and it may not, but the wind blows where it listeth and there is none to make it afraid and the signs are as we have guessed for many moons and Charley Kennedy will have to keep a sharp lookout if he does not have his political scalp taken off slick and clean next primary time. A little bit of a bird, no bigger than a humming bird, just a teeny twenty little thing told us that S. W. Brookhart is grooming himself to be a martyr to the cause of reform next summer.

He is eligible because he has stood his ground. He is the only politician of prominence in this district who stands by Taft for reciprocity. And therefore, he is the man who must make the race for congress, no odds how the campaign for the bill goes.

Brookhart has been consistent for the last year or more and he stands by his guns. When all others run, when even his patron saint, A. B. Cummins, takes to the woods, he still keeps the banner of reform aloft and he sticks to his ship, or to his guns or to what ever may be the figure of speech you want to use. Prouty deserts reform and comes out against the bill just like any groveling old Standpatter, who is after the votes, but Brook stands on the bridge at midnight, when the clock is striking the hour.

Every last dogeated Iowa congressman, except Hubbard, deserts the ship of reciprocity but Brookhart trends the wine press alone and shirks not a moment. All these things are significant, but more significant than all these, is what the little bit of a teeny twenty bird told us, and that was this, that Brook and Albert Carpenter, made a trip to Washington, D. C., a few weeks ago to see to the removal of Harry Weaver, revenue collector, while Arthur Springer is to be put in his place and all this, is for the upbuilding of Brook's congressional boom and why not, when he is the only one who plays the game to the finish?

We had always thought that these Progressives did not want office. We thought all they wanted was Reform, but it seems that pie tastes pretty good, too. The Iowa Republicans had a caucus and agreed to submit everything to a vote of the congressional delegation and under those circumstances, you know what will happen to the Standpatters. O, what will happen is a plenty and it is not fit for publication either.

All of which shows which way the wind blows. Brook is building up his machine, all turned to rum as smooth as skill can make it, every bearing smooth and oiled and ready to run. Every joint well polished and every oil hole well filled and things will begin to happen along about next Santa Claus time. And this is how the wind blows.

Clarke a Candidate.

Clinton Herald: George W. Clarke of Adel, lieutenant governor of the state, has made formal announcement to the effect that he will be a candidate next year before the Republican primaries for nomination as governor. Mr. Clarke is not only one of the best known men in the state, but he is one of the ablest as well. He has hosts of friends in all parts of the state. His announcement of his candidacy is not at all unexpected; indeed, it long has been conceded that Clarke would be the logical candidate at this time. It must be conceded, too, that at this time he is a formidable candidate, and one whom it will be difficult to defeat.

Had it not been for the fact that progressives insisted upon placing a candidate in the field last year in an effort to keep a second term from Governor Carroll it is probable that Clarke would have had no opposition next year, for there was a feeling on all sides that he should have undisputed possession of the field. Whether or not the Garst candidacy of last year will have the effect of placing a candidate next year in the field in opposition to Clarke cannot at this time be told. The regulars always have shown a disposition to work for the best interests of the entire party, without reference to factionalism, and have shown their teeth only when pushed to the wall. However, it is as yet too early in the campaign to say what may or may not happen.

Drouths Frequently Broken.

Chicago News: With 20,000,000 gallons of liquor a year shipped on mail orders into prohibition districts, it is pretty evident that the "driest" places in the country fall far short of complete aridity.

Iowa's Supremacy.

Burlington Hawk-Eye: Secretary Bolton of the greater Des Moines committee has figured out Iowa's agricultural supremacy. He had an easy job of figuring, for only a casual glance at Iowa crop values is needed to show just where the state stands. Mr. Bolton's figures show that Iowa raises one-twelfth of the world's supply of corn, and one-twentieth of the world's supply of oats. One-ninth of the nation's corn crop, one-sixth of the oats crop, one-eighth of the hog crop, one-thirteenth of the cattle crop, one-eleventh of the barley crop, one-fifteenth of the buckwheat crop, are grown in Iowa. The Hawk-Eye state has vast dairy interests its fruit crop is immense, the output of its henneries totals a vast sum. Iowa is agriculturally supreme—

and Iowans ought to be proud of the fact.

Drag the Roads.

The Britt Tribune hits it off about right in the following:

"One day a member of the city council came to us and said: 'You ought to write an article on the subject of dragging the roads and get the farmers interested in it so they will do this work.' We went out on the street and asked the first farmer we met, 'How do you find the roads?' 'O, he said, they were not so bad until I got inside the corporation, and then I found them cut up so they were a fright.' We asked him what we ought to do about it. 'Why, print an article every week and roast your town council and mayor until they fix the roads leading into town so they are passable inside the corporation.' And then we went back into the office and wrote an editorial on the methods of teaching a spotted calf with a humped back how to drink without bunting the pall over and spilling the milk down the back of the teacher's neck."

Speaking of Keokuk—

Sioux City Journal: If you don't know that Keokuk is building a dam, it means that you have not met a Keokuk man or seen a Keokuk newspaper recently.

Good Yield of Cherries.

Washington Democrat: Robert Shields will have about 100 bushels of cherries this year. That is one crop that is plentiful, but other fruit is fast playing out because of the drouth. Raspberries, blackberries and like fruit are played out.

SALEM.

The visit of the angel of death to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lamm at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, left in its wake a pall of sadness and gloom by robbing the household of Mrs. Lucy Davis. Lucy E. Martin was born in Waidkin county, North Carolina, January 18, 1835; came to Iowa in 1852; was married to John Davis in 1856, and resided on a farm south of Salem for a number of years. Her husband preceded her in death. She departed this life June 25, 1911, aged 76 years, 5 months and 7 days. In her declining years she resided with her daughter, Mrs. Lamm, who with her husband tenderly cared for their aged mother. During her last illness, her children, C. E. Davis, of Moulton, Iowa; Bert Davis, of Ashton, Missouri; Mrs. E. J. Vincent, of San Pedro, California; Mrs. Jennie Clark, of Fremont, Nebraska; Mrs. Sam Long, of Mt. Pleasant; two sisters, Mrs. Jack of Fort Madison, and Mrs. Sarah Wheaton, of Rantaul, Illinois, were here. Mr. Lamm's daughter, Ola, shortened her visit in California and returned home to be with grandma, and all that loving hands could do was done to cheer her and relieve her suffering. The deceased was a member of the Friend's church; an affectionate mother, a loyal and true christian, showing by her daily and consistent life the faith that she professed. Her presence was a gentle benediction upon those around her, and as her loved ones stood around her dying bed to watch the last fleeting breath, the hovering angel opened wide the golden gates and the revered mother entered into rest. She will be sadly missed in the home circle and by her friends. The last sad rites were held from the Friend's church at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. A large number of friends gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed one as well as sympathy to the grief stricken relatives. Impressive services were conducted by the pastor, Mrs. Edward Collins. The remains were laid to rest by the side of her husband in Salem South cemetery.

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