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THE SECRET OF THE BIRD

Why does the bird sing over there? A feathered minstrel of the air?

Why should his little heart pour songs of beauty all the spring day long?

He wins no plaudits in the race; He is not rich—I don't suppose

He owns a thing except his clothes—And they are only feathers, dust, Stained with weathery rime and rust.

Why does he sing, why does he lift His little soul as if the gift

Of singing were some praise he sent Unto the far blue firmament

For graces granted him in life, Victories in some stupendous strife,

Emoluments of wine and wealth, Estates by conquest won, or sealth, The lordship of an empire vast

And no dark, shadowy, bloody past? Why does he sing if not for these?

Surely it cannot be to please The selfish humans that around

Look up attracted by the sound And some in reverence, some in scorn

Walk off related to the morn As they have never been before

Since duty shut them in the door Away from all the sweetness they

Knew once in childhood's yesterday. He has so little, yet he sings,

A bubbling music, as if spring's Divinest message were heard

In the clear-throated, silver word Of one whose only dear possession

In all this great wild-life procession—From earth below or sky above

Is love, divine, immortal love—The thing he sings for till his breast

Swells so it almost bursts his vest! —The Bentztown Bard.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The history of Mexico is a history of gold and crime, splendor and cruelty;

a history of the prodigality of nature and the wickedness of man.—Newell Dwight Hillis.

The Pittsburgh, Pa. Railways company has ordered 400 new motors of the General Electric company for new street car equipments in that city.

If congress intends handing out gold medals for heroes of fiction, George Ade will insist on recognition for Indiana's fiction colony.

During April there were forty-five deaths due to street accidents in New York City. This puts the Vera Cruz record of seventeen in the lower boxes of the score board.

By way of showing their regard for the great American detective, William J. Burns, the people of Marietta, Ga. last Friday escorted him out of town with a shower of eggs.

Dr. J. W. Bolotin, who was born blind twenty-six years ago, has passed, with the highest grade of any entrant, the examination for attending physician of the tuberculosis hospital of the Oak Park Infirmary in Chicago.

George Thompson of Atchison, Kan., has sworn off voting for presidents. He has voted at every election since 1848 and, with the exception of Franklin Pierce, has never yet "won his vote."

He says that either his judgment is poor or he is a hoodoo.

Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson, the president's eldest daughter, will be one of the editors of a new magazine to be launched in June for promoting the use of public school houses as centers of co-operative enterprises and recreation, forums of common counsel and as public polling places.

Captain Hugh Rodman, U. S. N., who will have charge of all the details of putting shipping through the Panama canal, graduated from Annapolis in 1880, and with the exception of six years has been at sea ever since.

He has been around the world five times and has commanded ships in nearly every big port in the world.

Back in New England dandelions are quoted at 18 cents a peck, with a limited supply. Out in Omaha dandelions can be had for the asking,

with the cost of digging thrown in. What this country needs, next to Huerta's scalp, is an adequate means of moving the western crop of dandelions to the furnishing interiors of New England.

A prominent railway official on a recent visit to Saskatoon, Sask., said that so far as he could see, the railway business of the west was brisker and better than that of the east.

"Things generally," he added, "are picking up wonderfully, and the outlook, to my mind, is entirely encouraging."

Some base ball fan, rooting below the surface for cause for effects, notes that in four-fifths of the cities whose mayors inaugurated the leagues' season, the respective local clubs are bumping along at the bottom of the percentage column.

Consuela Vanderbilt's husband, the duke of Marlborough, harked back to the ancient profession of auctioneer and disposed of quite a bunch of corner and inside lots to high bidders.

The job was well done and brought considerable coin to the duke's treasury. Despite reports to the contrary even a duke can do some plain work when taxes force him to it.

On the recommendation of Secretary Franklin K. Lane of the interior department, the government has set aside 4,600 acres of land along the Pend Oreille river in the state of Washington, about 70 miles north of Spokane, as a reservation for the use of the Kallispell Indians.

Owing to the gradual encroachment of white settlers on their lands, it became necessary to set aside the lands as a reservation for them.

Thomas A. Edison expresses himself as follows in regard to cigarettes: "The injurious agent in cigarettes comes principally from the burning paper wrapper. The substance there-by formed is called 'acrolein.' It has a violent action on the nerve centers, producing degeneration of the cells of the brain, which is quite rare among boys. Unlike most narcotics, this degeneration is permanent and uncontrollable. I employ no person who smokes cigarettes."

JOHN BULL NEVER WAITS. The British watch but they never wait.

The dispatches tell of the visit of an English cruiser to Haiti, a few days ago.

It carried an ultimatum: "Pay the \$2,000 you owe our worthy subject, Peters."

Haiti paid. Peters owned a sawmill in Haiti. In the Le Compte revolution it was burned. He demanded indemnity. The Haiti government couldn't pay.

He told his troubles to John Bull. John sent a cruiser to Port-au-Prince. "We have no money in our treasury," said Haiti. "Borrow it," said John. Haiti borrowed.

England watches, but it neither waits nor permits anybody who outrages one of its subjects, to wait, says the Des Moines Tribune.

NEW YORK'S MAMMOTH COAL BILL. In the recent request for bids involving \$40,000,000 lbs. of coal per annum to supply the state of New York with fuel, a new and commendable precedent in coal purchasing has been established.

Under the present system of coal buying, each institution acts on its own initiative without expert advice of any kind. In many instances, the medical officers at the state institutions are called upon to decide their own fuel problems, while in general the question is seldom or never handled by really competent men.

Under the new arrangement, the state will derive the benefit naturally to be expected from the best services available. A special commission, made up entirely of fuel experts, will study the different problems in all their ramifications and select the fuel best adapted to the requirements of the individual plants. It may even eventually develop that the economy in consumption this commission is able to effect will be of even greater importance than the amount saved in buying.

SOME ELECTRICAL DONT'S. Don't fail to replace cracked insulators, broken switches and worn out lamp sockets.

Don't hang clothing, or anything else, on the electric light wires, or lamp cords, in the home.

Don't attempt to improve the electric wiring in the house unless you are an electrician.

Don't meddle with the electric wiring. If you want it changed consult an electrician.

Don't run electric motors and fans without proper oiling.

Don't attempt to adjust electric lamps with the current on.

Don't use screw drivers, pliers and other iron or steel tools about electric lamp sockets without opening the master switch in the attic.

Don't handle electric meters roughly.

Don't fail to treat every loose electric wire as though it were alive. Handle it with care. You can't tell by looking at a wire whether it is alive or not.

Don't replace burned fuses with bits of wire. The fuses is designed to protect you as well as the circuit.

Don't forget that 500 volts, or less, is sometimes fatal.

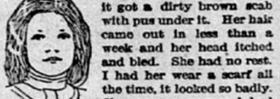
Don't touch the electric lamps while standing in a bath tub of water.

Don't attempt to put in new sockets, new switches, buzzers, etc., without turning off the current.

HEAD COVERED WITH DRY SCALE

Hair Came Out. Head Itched and Bled. Could Not Attend School. Two Cakes of Cuticura Soap and One Box Cuticura Ointment Cured.

2760 Tamm Ave., St. Louis, Mo.—"My little daughter's head began with a dry harsh scale covering it. First it got a white scale over the top and then it got a dirty brown scab with pus under it. Her hair came out in less than a week and her head itched and bled. She had no rest. I had her wear a scarf all the time, it looked so badly. She was so sore and had such big brown scabs on her head that the teacher would not let her attend school."



"We took and had her treated for three months with no relief. She kept getting worse until I tried Cuticura Soap and Ointment. I used the Cuticura Soap every third day and the Cuticura Ointment at night. After three days the scabs began to come off and new hair to come in. In three weeks her head was well of scabs. Two cakes of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment completely cured her." (Signed) Mrs. Walter Rogers, Nov. 23, 1912.

Why not have a clear skin, soft white hands, a clean scalp and good hair? It is your birthright. Cuticura Soap with an occasional use of Cuticura Ointment will bring about these coveted conditions in most cases when all else fails. A single set is often sufficient. Sold throughout the world. Liberal sample of each mailed free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. T, Boston."

Men who shave and shampoo with Cuticura Soap will find it best for skin and scalp.

SALEM.

Miss Viola Smith, pastor of the Friends church, departed Wednesday to attend as delegate from the U. F. M. S. of Iowa yearly meeting, the triennial missionary conference of women which will convene at Muncie, Indiana, on May 7 and continue to the 12th, inclusive.

Following the winter spent with their daughter Mrs. Nathan Hockett at Memphis, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. John Corbale arrived at Salem to reside with their daughter Mrs. Lucy Frary during the summer.

Mrs. Fred Garretson and little son Jim returned to Hamilton, Ill. Friday. They were guests of the former's sister Mrs. C. H. Cook and other relatives.

Thursday Mrs. Frank De Lashmott left for her home at La Plata, Mo. after spending some time with her father Algernon Masden, who is quite poorly.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwards and daughter and Mrs. Judith Boyce of Mt. Pleasant were Tuesday guests at the Greenleaf Frary home.

Following a visit with her son George Judd and wife, Mrs. J. E. Judd returned to her home at Augusta, Illinois.

Mrs. Ralph Ford and little daughter Helen came from Mt. Pleasant Friday. While here they are guests of Mrs. Ford's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Long.

Mrs. Esther Joy spent several days of last week with her daughter Mrs. Grant Corbale and family at Winfield, C. L. I. O.'s class of the Congregational Sunday school had a pantry sale at the Huxley store Saturday.

Sunday school class No. 6 held a picnic in the basement of the M. E. church Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hozle came from Mt. Pleasant and visited with her daughter Mrs. Milo Penn and family.

Mrs. J. W. Young entertained her sister Mrs. Dorson from La Crewe.

Prof. John Parish and family came from Morning Sun and spent last week with relatives.

Gas Keller went to Keokuk Saturday and returned Monday.

Miss Lenore Collins is a guest of friends at Nauvoo, Ill.

Mother's day service was held at the M. E. church Sunday morning.

Dr. W. A. Dilts of Indianapolis visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dilts last week.

Mrs. Will Simpkin spent from Saturday until Monday with her mother Mrs. Lewis at Mt. Pleasant.

F. S. Bell of Twin Falls, Idaho, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Reschel Gough, accompanied by her daughters Mrs. Mark Kirkpatrick and Mary Gough, went to Fairfield Friday where Mrs. Gough underwent a surgical operation at the hospital on Saturday. She is doing as well as can be expected.

China Becoming Civilized.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—Speaking here before a meeting of Methodist ministers, Dr. N. W. Brewster, a missionary of Hing-Wah, Fukien province, southern China, asserted that China is rapidly advancing toward a prominent position among the highly civilized nations of the world.

He said China is taking ambitiously to world movements, has gained an understanding of the necessity of respecting modern commercial values of credit, and that men of modern thought and education are directing its development. The change in the press of the people, improvement in foods and in other conditions of living were emphasized by the speaker as evidence in support of his contention, and he said that the adoption of these modern methods China was becoming an important factor in the world's markets.

The Nauvoo Gate City

Nauvoo, Ill., May 14, 1914

The Keokuk water power company has a gang of foreigners at work above Nauvoo, building the river road leading to Niota.

While the most of us are calmly waiting for the wave of prosperity there are still a few who insist on trying to rock the boat.

The Nauvoo Woman's Civic league are planning a lawn social to be held at the home of Mrs. Anna Jackson.

Nauvoo's high school pupils went to Hamilton last Saturday to attend a track meet and oratorical contest. Several auto loads went down. They returned with but one insignificant honor attached to their belt.

Miss Nellie Williams sent a number of invitations to her friends in Nauvoo, announcing her graduation as a trained nurse from Proctor hospital in Peoria, Ill.

There will be just as much Fourth of July spirit this year as there was last and just as much drank up.

Nearly every high school in Hancock county has graduates for this spring but Nauvoo. What is the matter with Nauvoo's pupils?

Mr. Jos. Batin, an inmate of the Soldier's home in Quincy, Ill., died last Friday at the age of 72 years.

He was a resident of Nauvoo for many years and entered the home about eighteen years ago. One daughter, Mrs. Adia Harris of Nauvoo, survives him. Also three brothers, John of Nauvoo, Sebastian and Dennis of Sonora township.

Mrs. John Kaufman, for many years a resident of Nauvoo, died at the home of one of her daughters in Seattle, Wash., last Sunday afternoon at the age of seventy-five years; her son John of this city received a telegram to that effect. She has made her home in the above city for a number of years. She leaves a number of children to mourn.

One of Nauvoo's citizens has carried in his pocket for a good many years a cure-a-complaint in the shape of a buckeye. The other day an intimate friend asked: "You've been carrying that buckeye around a long while now. Sorter for a cure? I guess, eh? Now, honest, has it ever done you any good to speak of?" Then he replied: "I don't know what you might call doing any good, but I am still alive and around, ain't I?"

The new officers for Nauvoo's volunteer fire company recently selected are: Jos. Nelson, chief; Carl Blum, secretary; John Bechtolt, treasurer. The boys are glad that they will soon be able to fight fires with the aid of our municipal water works plant.

William Gutliam has again secured employment in Ellis Daugherty's meat market.

The Nauvoo Auto company has sold a Cadillac touring car to Chas. Meyer of Colma, about a dozen miles east of Nauvoo.

This story is told on a callow young man of Nauvoo: He has been making frequent calls on one of our popular young ladies—so regular, in fact, that when he quit it was noticeable to his friends. One of them stopped him and asked why he so suddenly ceased his campaign. He replied: "Couldn't stand it any longer. The other evening when I arrived about a half-hour late she accused me of being tardy and told me I would have to return home and get an excuse, signed by my mother." Some say she was a school mistress.

The Nauvoo Rustler says Nauvoo has a citizen who is willing to donate \$100 a year towards purchasing and operating a ferry between Nauvoo and Montrose; and further says that there never was a time in Nauvoo's history when we needed better connections between these towns. We can state right here without fear of contradiction, that Nauvoo's ferry schedule and accommodations are as good now as it ever was in Nauvoo's history and far beyond that, that the business justifies. Capt. John Rasmold is one of the most accommodating ferry owners who ever sailed across the big creek here and why the knockers should knock him is beyond our people's comprehension.

A Nauvoo mother was credited as saying that eighteen is the right age for a girl to begin crying again when she wants something she can't get in any other way. The lady has several daughters.

The steamboat landing near the Welter old mill site will make an ideal place when everything is put in ship-shape.

The young ladies sodality of the Nauvoo Catholic church gave a delightful picnic in Moffitt's timber southeast of the city last Sunday. It was an ideal day for an outing and the young ladies enjoyed themselves as only young ladies can. They took with them tons of good "eats" and their appetites did justice to the spread. They want to repeat the venture and take the boys along next time.

If all those young people will join hands at the matrimonial altar so gossips have it, there are six couples to be united in the holy bonds before many moons and all are Nauvoo boys and girls. The wedding bells will be kept ringing for some time and the band will play when one of its members takes his first ward belle to the altar.

Financial note: One of Nauvoo's workmen wishes to inform financiers of the country that the money strain-

gency will be relieved this month. May having five pay days.

Mr. Chas. Laubersheimer and family autoed to Nauvoo last Sunday and spent a few hours very pleasantly among friends.

Mrs. Wm. Hertel and little daughter are visiting the lady's parents in Davenport, Iowa. The reverend has a sad look which is noticed by some of his parishioners.

Mrs. S. E. Sailer of Menden, Ill., has arrived in Nauvoo to join her husband to make their future home.

Geo. Boegner took several car loads of cattle and hogs to Chicago recently to feed the hungry of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Schneider and their daughter-in-law and grandson, Mrs. Arthur Schneider and son Richard, visited with relatives in Fountain Green, Ill., during the week.

Mrs. A. J. Beger and children have returned from their Dyersville, Iowa, visit.

A few days ago one of our farmers took a load of hogs to Niota, arriving at the stock yard very early. On going to the back of his wagon he discovered a hen sitting on the hog rack. He had been a couple of hours on the way, and biddle had been sitting there as contented as if on her perch at home. The farmer took her to Ft. Madison and sold her for 71 cents.

Mr. Earl Laubersheimer of Nauvoo and Miss Grace Pitt of near Powellton will soon be united in marriage. Earl is one of Nauvoo's popular young men and is sure going to rise in the commercial world, while Miss Grace is one of the most accomplished young ladies in this section of Illinois. Congratulations in advance, Earl.

Nauvoo's high school pupils ought to have an old-fashioned spelling bee and the old blue-backed speller used in "giving out" words and invite the town. Those who learned to spell by the old-time method should be pitted against the younger generation and some of the "old girls and boys" would no doubt "spell down" all the young girls and boys who have studied orthography instead of just plain spelling. Wonder how many of them would miss the word phthisis?

Edward Argast, Sr., went to Davenport, Iowa, and will return with his wife who has been visiting her daughter there for some time.

Nauvoo's base ball team went down to Hamilton last Sunday and were defeated by the team of that place by a score of 4 to 2. This makes a game for each club and the odd one may be pulled off in Nauvoo in the near future. Next Sunday the Wayland, Mo., team will be here for a game with our club on the Kimball diamond and a red-hot contest is expected. Game will be called at 2:30 o'clock and the fans will be out in large numbers.

Emil Marzoff had an automobile accident last Sunday night with his machine which he would not like to repeat again. He and Morise Seligmsier were in the car and while going at a high rate of speed, the driver cramped the car in some manner, causing it to upset, throwing the latter out unhurt but Emil was pinned in the car with the top mashed down on him. When released he was unconscious. A doctor was summoned and after he was revived it was found he was not badly injured. The car was badly damaged.

Mr. J. N. Daugherty of Warsaw died last Tuesday night at his home at that place, with paralysis. He was 59 years of age. His son Ellis who conducts a meat market in Nauvoo, and his wife were called to the family home and went down Wednesday morning. The deceased leaves a wife, two sons and five daughters to mourn.

The Bible is the best seller, but we suspect the news from Mexico is attracting more attention just now.

There is a man who lives down in Missouri who claims he was the only passenger on the steamboat Robt. E. Lee when that craft made its race with the Natches from New Orleans to St. Louis in 1870. Mark Twain called this "the greatest race ever run in America." This man says the Lee won, the Natches having tied up the last night because of fog.

Nothing has been done yet to observe Memorial day in Nauvoo. There is a movement on foot to attempt some sort of celebration in honor of the hero dead.

Something is being done to straighten out matters of the Benedictine Sisters buildings difficulty which Kieran caused them when he planned great things for this noble order and Nauvoo a number of years ago. If everything cannot be arranged in the circuit court satisfactorily, the Sisters may seek a location elsewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Argast observed their 29th marriage anniversary last Tuesday with a family reunion. Only one more year and then this popular couple will be welcomed to observe their pearl wedding.

Art Schneider had a stag party at his beautiful residence last Tuesday night. His wife and little son are away on a visit and Art felt so lonely that he could not resist the temptation to have just only one good time by inviting a number of men friends. There was plenty of eats and music to entertain.

The Warsaw correspondent of The Keokuk Gate City brings about fifteen automobiles being seen on its business streets at one time. A Saturday

Facts in Nature

FOR centuries it has been known that Nature's most valuable health giving agents for the cure of disease are found in our American forests.

Over forty years ago Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute at Buffalo, N. Y., used the powdered extracts as well as the liquid extracts of native medicinal plants, such as Bloodroot and Queen's root, Golden Seal and Stone root, Cherry bark and Mandrake, for the cure of blood diseases. This prescription as put up in liquid form was called

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and has enjoyed a large sale for all these years in every drug store in the land. You can now obtain the powdered extract in sugar-coated tablet form of your medicine dealer, or send 50c in one-cent postage stamps for trial box to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., and tablets will be mailed, postage prepaid.

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PERCENT ON LINE AND INTEREST ON SAVINGS

recently nearly fifty were in Nauvoo and on any Sunday you can see more than double fifteen in Nauvoo.

Hamilton's band gives concerts on the business street every week and is drawing many farmers within a radius of four miles of Nauvoo, who go down to hear the music. What are Nauvoo's merchants going to do about attracting our rural brethren to the city this summer?

Nauvoo will soon have a picture show. The new lessees of the opera house will install a fine movie when they take possession.

Mrs. Lou Argast entertained the Nauvoo Ladies' Priscilla club this Thursday afternoon and the members enjoyed the meeting as only ladies can. Fancy needle work with considerable gossip mixed in between was the afternoon's pastime and excellent culinary art viands graced the tables, to which the ladies did ample justice.

Nauvoo's fruit prospects at the present time could not be better and if nothing interferes from now until ripening time, we will surely have a banner crop.

You may talk about Nauvoo being a beautiful dead town but nearly every man in business here is getting rich. However, we can say that Nauvoo is a rather dead town as far as increasing her population and boosting her to the front as she deserves on account of its beautiful locations, but the latter does not make a town boom. It's the business men who retard its growth.

There isn't anything we don't eat, or feel, or sit around and think about that hasn't been in some way advertised for us. A surprise is about the only thing shy on publicity.

The Nauvoo promoters for a Moose lodge here now have the promise of about eighty members. It looks like a Moose lodge will be organized here. If the Eagle members in Nauvoo had got busy they could have succeeded in establishing an order here in this beautiful town.

Once there was a time and but a short time ago when the farmers complained about the automobiles tearing along the country roads and frightening their horses and raising Cain with their new and old vehicles and seeking damages. It is a long road that hasn't a turn to it. Nowadays, wherever we look, it seems that it is the farmers who appear to be buying all the buzz wagons. They are not finding any more complaint about the city coustins.

Nauvoo people are still waiting to see one of those three interurban lines to begin construction work through our city. It looks like Nauvoo will get one of the lines.

A Nauvoo bachelor was heard saying that he believed to get net results nowadays, it won't make much difference whether you weigh the girl in her stocking feet or diked up in her best ready-to-go-somewheres.

Nauvoo's public school will close next week, but St. Mary's academy, Spalding institute and the high school will not close until next month.

Nowadays it don't look like sport unless somebody gets killed, bruised or the automobile busts in.