WITH THE LONE SCOUTS

This week brings us news from our most northerly Lone Scout, who lives at the Hudson Bay Post at Landsdowne House, in Northern Ontario. His name is Walter Wraight, and Walter is quite an outstanding Scout in other respects besides his northerly location.

Coming from the "Old Country" last year, he brought a very fine record with him, and he is the possessor of the coveted "Silver Cross for Bravery" which was bestowed upon him for saving the life of a dog. The Lone Scout Commissioner has a picture of Walter with the dog, a cocker spaniel, that he saved.

On arrival in Canada, he was sent to one of the Hudson Bay Company's Northern Ontario Posts, and he has been in that part of the country ever since, and tells us that he quite enjoys the life, although it is a little lonely at times, especially in the winter time when travelling is difficult and he has to wait for a long time for his mail.

Walter has learned to drive a dog team, but he says that if you talk kindly to the dogs they think that you are a weakling and just lie down on the track and won't budge. It is necessary to use quite strong language to them, before they will take any notice of you. The last mail which the Post received was brought in by dog team, driven by an Italian Priest, and he was quite embarrassed by the fact that the dogs would take no notice of ordinary language, so he compromised by swearing at them in Spanish!

Walter is a keen Scout indeed. Lately we have noticed several people busily engaged in their gardens, and this reminds us that every Lone Scout will of course have a garden of his very own, which he will lay out and plant to his own liking.

And therefore every Lone Scout should qualify for the Gardener's Badge, and now is the time to commence operations to earn this badge.

Like quite a few of the other Scout Badges the Gardeners requires quite a little patience, and cannot be earned overnight.

It is necessary to have some knowledge of soils, and to actually grow a number of flowers and plants from seed, but all this is very interesting work which would be enjoyed by every Lonie.

Get busy and ask your Scoutmaster to send you particulars of the Gardener's Badge, so that you too can qualify for it.

And talking of Gardening reminds us of a very good turn that was performed last year by the Lone "Wolf Patrol" of Paris, the founders of the present Paris Troop.

These Lonies looks about them and discovered some old folks who were too feeble to dig and plant their own gardens, so they armed themselves with spades and rakes and all the necessary tools and set to work to plant these old peoples' gardens for them, and then later on they also tended them when necessary.

Wasn't that a real good turn? Maybe you can do the same thing this year.

And still talking of good turns in the Springtime, have you noticed how the bright sunshine shows up that dirty rubbish heap and untidy scrap laying all around the house and which was previously buried underneath the snow?

How about making this week a Lone Scout "Clean Up" week, and so put everything ship-shape for the bright weather which is ahead of us?

Go to it, Lone Scouts, and then write to your Scoutmaster and tell him what you are doing.

LONE E.

Man's Sight Extended By Ten Basic Devices

New York—Ten basic devices permitting man to project his feeble sense of sight into hidden scientific wonders have been gathered together for the first time in a display at the Exhibition of the Science and Art of Color at the Museum of Science and Industry.

The Stroboscope, which slows up the motion of objects moving too swiftly for the eye to see; the oscilloscope which catches the movement of objects too vibrant; the microscope which reveals the infinitely small; the telescope to see distant objects; the radiometer, which detects the invisible infra-red, or heat, waves; the photo-cell, which enamors the unseen ultra-violet radiations; the X-ray, which reveals things through opaque materials; the spectroscope, which sorts out the mixed radiation of white light; the pyrometer, which records things too radiant for the eye to gaze upon, and the spectrophotometer, which performs feats of color analysis beyond the power of the human eye, are the ten machines.

Captain Discovers Land In Arctic

Oslo, Norw.—Captain Daehli, Norwegian Government whaling inspector, who returned recently from visiting the herding grounds of the north Atlantic, claimed to have discovered a hitherto unknown land with lofty peaks in the arctic regions.

The land, he said, lay between longitudes 27 and 72 west, an area which includes most of Greenland, Baffin Bay and the east coast of Baffin Land already.

Captain Daehli told Tidens Tegn, Oslo daily, that he had noted the exact position of the territory on navigation and had taken photographs, but he refused to divulge its exact position. All details and documents have been handed to the Norwegian Government.

Grain Transplanted Gives Finer Yield

Birmingham, Eng. — Transplanted grain yields a considerably better crop than crops allowed their normal growth, according to experiments that schoolboys in the Staffordshire village of Kinver have been carrying out. For three seasons in succession the boys have sown wheat in October, and in the following February have transplanted part of it in another plot. They have treated the two plots of wheat exactly alike, but the transplanted corn has always been much finer.

Course In Leadership Outlined For Women

Syracuse, N.Y.—What is said to be the first course of its kind in the United States, combining practice and theory in leadership for women students, will be started at Syracuse University next fall. The objective is to prepare women for entrance into personnel work and for positions as advisers and deans of women in high schools, normal schools and colleges.

Ten outstanding women in educational work will receive graduate assistantships equivalent to nearly $1000 each yearly.

Byrd Now Positive He Flew Over Pole

Washington — He probably already knew it, but the National Geographic Society has told Rear Admiral Richard E. Boyd when he flew over the south pole.

The society's research committee, reporting on its study of the explorer's record, agreed that at 1:14 p.m., Greenwich civil time, Nov. 29, 1929, Rear Admiral Byrd was "at the south pole, in so far as an observer in an airplane, using the most accurate instruments and methods available for determining his position, could ascertain.

"We, therefore, feel sure that at some point in the course the plane flew within four nautical miles of the south pole, with the probability that it passed much nearer than this."

Neglect of Cemeteries

Montreal Presse: (A bill has been introduced in the Ontario Parliament providing for the creation of local commissions for the maintenance of graveyards.) This example set by the Government of Ontario deserves to be followed in other provinces, for there are many old cemeteries throughout the country where the desolation of forgetfulness is manifest in the sad spectacle of abandoned graves. The upkeep of cemeteries is a sacred trust not only for families, but for public authorities when families die out, or for other reasons the deserted tombs have become the prey of time and disordered vegetation.

London-Australia Airway Is Planned

London — Two experimental air flights under the Air Ministry's auspices, in each direction between London and Australia, were recently announced by Hon. F. Montague, under-Secretary for Air, in the House of Commons.

The first flight from London started on Saturday, April 4th, and is scheduled to reach Port Darwin, Australia, on April 19. The second flight from London will start April 25, and will be due in Port Darwin on May 10.

The present England-to-India air mail route will be followed as far as Karachi and Delhi. The route will then be to Allahabad, Calcutta, Rangoon, Victoria Point, Singapore, Batavia, Pourabaya and Port Darwin.

100,000 Germans Expected To Visit Paris This Summer

Paris.—One hundred thousand Germans are expected to visit Paris this Summer for the French Colonial Exposition, and the greater part of them will come by bus.

The same buses will run all Summer from Warsaw to Berlin and from Berlin to Paris. These big cars, containing thirty seats and equipped in every way to assure the comfort of the passengers, will make the trip from Warsaw to Berlin in twelve hours and in twenty-four from Berlin to Paris. The price from Paris to Warsaw will be $12 and from Berlin to Paris $12.

Nautilus Named

Bucketful of cracked ice was used for christening at New York of submarine Nautilus for Sir Hubert Wilkins, trip to North Pole this summer. Jean Jules Verne, grandson of famous writer, aided Lady Wilkins in officiating.

Britain's Oldest Store Now Closes Doors

London.—Britain's oldest big store, James Shoolbred & Co., which has carried on business in Tottenham Court Road since 1817, has passed into the hands of Harrods Ltd., the largest "shop" in the British Empire. This change, entailing removal of the Shoolbred stock to Knightsbridge, is necessitated by the westward movement of London's shopping area.

The locality was semirural when James Shoolbred, a Scotsman, opened his small shop as "Dealer in British Lace." In 20 years the business had absorbed 2000 employees. It was the first store to be lighted by electricity in Britain, and also introduced the first weekly half-holiday.

The Canning Industry

Montreal, Quebec.—Vegetable canning in Canada had an active year in 1930, increasing 64.8 per cent. over 1929. The pack of tomatoes increased by nearly 104 per cent., and peas by almost 165 per cent. The total pack for the Dominion practically approximated one can per head of population. It totalled 10,066,614 cans in 1930, compared with 6,182,837 cans in 1929.

Man—Look To Your Laurels

Arlayne Brown, 14-year-old St. Louis high school girl, whose phenomenal target shooting has earned her title of one of best marksmen in country. She has shot her way to stardom almost over night, never having fired a gun until two years ago.

"Laughter—A Boon to Mankind" Declares English Profes

Laughter is a peculiarly human phenomenon, declares Abraham Wolf, Professor of Logic and Scientific Method at the University of London, in an article in the N.Y. Times Magazine. Some monkeys may grin, but man is the laughing animal par excellence. He is also the most laughed at animal, the chief butt of the laughter of his fellows. Hence the general human interest of the subject. Indeed, it has been said with some justice that laughter is one of three great gifts given to men to enable them to counter the miseries of existence. Forgetfulness is our protection against the haunting sadness of the past; hope enables us to face the future with all that it may have in store for us; laughter helps us to get over the trials of the immediate present. And the greatest of these is laughter, for at most evils always seem to be the worst; but a merry heart goes all the way.

Over and above its general human interest, laughter also appeals to a number of specific interests. It is a highly complex group of human experiences it is a subject of scientific interest, and as such appeals at once to the biologist. It has also an artistic interest, for it is intimately connected with certain types of literature, music and the pictorial arts. Lastly, it has even a commercial interest, for the production of laughter is one of the great industries of the world of entertainment.

The first and most obvious thing about laughter is that it is a physical or physiological activity which is generally found to be very pleasant and refreshing. The belief that laughter serves as a tonic is very widespread. Popular philosophy has testified to this belief in the proverb: Laugh and grow fat. This, of course, was intended to express the common faith in the health-giving properties of laughter. In an age in which slim figures are the rage, the proverb proves a danger to laughter. Perhaps we ought to substitute it for the motto: A laugh a day keeps the doctor away. The reason why people enjoy laughter as a single thing is that they like doing them good; is physiologically quite clear and well established. It involves certain processes of the respiratory muscles, an extra intake of oxygen by the lungs, stimulation to the circulatory system and to the nerves. Moreover, hearty laughter is generally accompanied by a diffuse activity of the arms and body, conducted perhaps with the play impulse.

Taken in moderate doses, then, laughter is joy-giving. One curious but interesting result of this is that since we feel glad when we laugh, we tend to laugh when we are glad. And so laughter has become an expression as well as a source of joy. The kind of association, or mental alchemy, by which this sort of thing happens is familiar to psychologists who have studied the expression of the emotions.

For various reasons laughter has been largely displaced by the mere smile, which serves as a kind of contool and refined substitute for it. One of the chief causes of this fact is the general tendency for cultured people to become quieter in their manners and habits of life. Professional people inevitably pass much of their time in lonely occupations, and so acquire a habit of quietness. Habit sometimes becomes a cult. The "loudness" of every kind is regarded as rather vulgar. We are consequently not surprised to find that the genteel Lord Chesterfield claimed it as a merit that since he had come to the full use of his reason he had never been heard to laugh. He does not say when he came to the full use of his reason. Sooner or later we all reach an age when we drop physical exercises and loud laughter is one of them.

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"A Sower Went Forth"

A farmer plants his furrow pattern
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So went the ancient sower of the seed
Before the dawn of Karnak's dynasty.

O long religion of the fruitful sun!
O living legend of the quickened field!

Ere Egypt was—like cycle of the corn:
The seed . . . the sun . . . the full
and ripened yield.

Ere Nazareth, the rhythm of the wheat:
The seed . . . the shower and warmth . . . the winnowed grain.
Pharaohs, priests and peoples change
—not these.
The sower and the seed, the sun and rain!

Agnes Kendrick Gray, in the New York Times.

It has been well said that no man ever sank under the burden of the day. It is when tomorrow's burden is added to the burden of today that the weight is more than a man can bear.—George MacDonald.

Selling Bait-Latest Industry in Ca

Tifton, Ga.—Down in South Georgia where the crops were not profitable where folks have had to work on the plantation to earn a living for their families, a new industry is being developed. The following advertisement appeared in The Tifton Gazette:

"Fresh bait—The latest thing out of the ground. The very best model—fat, juicy and tough—that you have been looking for. Just call at The Gazette office and let him put you on a 'con fab' where you are ready to go fishing—dig!"

Now that country folks have the drilling angle worms that used to dig free for the digging, it would seem that some farmer will be surprising if some farmer will be before the Summer is gone. The world seems to be getting crazier.

Earthquake Precautions

Auckland Weekly News: Notwithstanding the long record of argument about New Zealand's comparative freedom from serious earthquakes can dispose of the notion of taking the risk of them into account. As the details of the Hawke's Bay disaster become more fully known it is pitifully evident that the heavy loss of life would not have occurred had the principles of earthquake construction been observed in the buildings of comparatively recent date. With eyes upon the future of Auckland and adjacent towns in the region sadly overtaken by disaster, it would be well that the proposed building regulations is absolutely essential, not for application there but throughout the Dominion. The possibility to earthquake varies greatly from place to place, but when the whole Dominion is considered, but the simplest and best way to safety should be found in making the regulations effective everywhere. If action of the kind is not taken now, the outstanding lesson of this calamity will be lost.

Report Shows Wages Of Nine Billions in

Washington.—The income of wage earners in the United States is estimated as having been $9,000,000,000 in 1930 than in 1929, in a report prepared by its Geneva Research Centre, the League of Nations has announced here recently.

This estimate was $1,000,000,000 under that of the American Federation of Labor, made public, but the organizations figured the decrease at 10 per cent.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—A new industry is to be added to Moose Jaw in the form of a grist and flour mill to be erected early this summer at a cost of about $25,000.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—The first unit in the Province of Saskatchewan for the manufacture of newsprint will be opened in Moose Jaw next month, the Indestructible Newspaper Manufacturers Ltd. The factory has been built around 100 dozen cities and towns, but is behind in filling orders which have been larger than expected.

Saskatoon, Sask.—The Saskatchewan Power Commission is considering an addition of machinery to the Saskatoon plant, to cost in the neighborhood of $400,000. New buildings, however, will not be required. Construction of additional transmission lines throughout the province district necessitated the extension of the plant.

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gold seekers of modern days on and Klondike have furnished romance of prosperity attained ense hardship and the African s given the largest production profits gained through hardthods, but Australia has led id in the output of nuggets. ge yellow harbingers of wealth. The recent discovery of den Eagle" in the Larklinville field of Western Australia nt this reputation of the Island t. It weighed 1,136 ounces, sold to the State Government t $30,000. This was the largest yet found in that district of a, being more than twice the h. "Bobby Dazzler" discovered 1899.

uggets of record size were, discovered on the other side continent. The "Welcome r," found near Dunolly, New Wales, weighed about 2,500 ounces and was sold for a little less than $50,000. The "Welcome," discovered near Ballarat, Victoria, weighed 2,195 ounces and was worth more than $45,000. The "Blanche Barkly," which came from near Kingower, was priced at about $34,000. These finds were not in the most thickly populated part of Australia, in the southeast corner, not far from such centres as Melbourne Canberra and Sydney.

Straight to the north, nearly 1,000 miles from the Ballarat fields, was found one of the richest and most extraordinary gold mines in the world. A nameless hill in the Queensland bush was, in 1882, owned by a man named Gordon who earned a precarious livelihood by pasturing his cattle on it. The two Morgan brothers, prospecting that vicinity, found signs of gold on the 640-acre hill, and bought the land from Gordon at about $5 an acre. Mount Morgan turned out to be a veritable hill of gold.

Western Australia, where the latest large nugget was found, is for the most part an absolute desert. Here the total annual rainfall is only about five inches, and water can be obtained only by sinking deep wells. Yet it is one of the richest gold-mining regions in the world. The first discovery was made at Yilgarn, 210 miles east of Perth, the capital of the colony. From there prospectors spread further Inland.

Although nuggets are occasionally found in other parts of the world, they do not compare in size with those of Australia. Canada produces the metal in pieces of ore combined with quartz. Yellow grains of gold, it will be recalled, were found at Sutter's Mill, near Sacramento, Cal., to start the westward trek of the Forty-niners. And in the Yukon and Alaska regions the precious stuff has usually been discovered in sand or gravel deposits.

The Success of Sanctuary

Canada is a great believer in the criterion of figures. She even counts the birds in her sanctuaries and as a result the value of these establishments has been proved beyond any shadow of doubt. There are now more than forty such sanctuaries scattered across the country from Nova Scotia to British Columbia and it is safe to assure that no species of bird life now in existence will ever become extinct. As compared with 1925 the bird population of the reserved areas has actually increased by 19 per cent., the ten sea-bird sanctuaries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence being the scene of the hatching of well over 100,000 birds of 16 different species in 1930 alone. Some of the most important of the birds in Canada's reserves with their respective gains during the past five years are: elder duck 27 per cent., puffin 13 per cent., razor-billed auk 87 per cent., common murre 11 per cent., black guillemot, 134 per cent., herring gull 159 per cent. and common tern 57 per cent.

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Old Mother Nature And Her Marvels

By Charles D. Stewart. Condensed from The New York Times Magazine.

Nature is, above all, an inventor. Her specialty is tools and machinery. The naturalist, taking things apart and looking into their construction, finds himself working in the atmosphere of a patent office. Life itself may be a mystery but a mechanical motion may be at once so clever and so simple that the mind seizes upon it with delight. Nature is full of such devices as are produced by shrewd inventor.

In inventing a bird, for instance, Nature was confronted with a fine little problem. How was she to make a roosting bird that could tuck its head under its wing, settle down for a night's rest and go sound asleep without danger of falling off the perch?

The problem was solved by attaching to the cords which operate the toes an extremely long tendon—one which runs nearly the whole length of the leg and tendons into a muscle situated high up on the front of the thigh. This ingenious tendon passes over the knee in front, runs in a spiral direction 'round the bone of the lower leg, and then passes over the heel behind. As a result of this rigging over opposed joints the bending of the leg serves to put the muscle and tendon on the stretch, and the weight of the bird in settling down to sleep causes them to pull the toe tendons together. Thus the bird is clamped automatically to the perch. No brain work, no attention is required. It works while the bird sleeps.

Any bird that is equipped with Nature's Patent Roosting Clamp always brings her toes together every time she raises a foot in walking.

It isn't an easy feat to walk on stilts which have a hinge in the middle, as do those of the stork. And to tuck its head under its wing and take a nap while standing in water is more precarious still. Muscles which work very hard are likely to become fatigued; and in such an event the stork would topple into the stream. To obviate anything like this, Nature has made a contrivance for locking the joint. The bone of the lower part of the leg is made to fit into a socket above it. When the two are allowed to come together the leg becomes as one piece of bone, the hinge is thrown out of service and muscular fatigue is prevented. This is Nature's self-acting lock-joint for the use of storks and other altitudinous birds.

The beehive presents to the mind an industrial community so completely given over to factory methods as to make us wonder whether it is not the bee, rather than man, who should be given the credit for the great ideas behind the industrial Age. Every bee carries with her a large assortment of tools, consisting of special adaptations of legs and joints, and of these tools the sting is an especially well-thought-out contrivance. It has the power and mechanism to drive itself into anything as thick and tough as horse's hide, with a self-acting muscle of its own, which is detachable and even capable of going on working by a sort of pumping motion, and driving itself in after the bee has flown away.

The sting consists of two highly polished javelins, each with barbs like a fish-hook, fitted into a supporting sheath or scabbard so that they can be alternately thrust forward by the self-acting muscle. The bee needs to insert only the first barb or two of the lance, and the self-acting muscle does the rest. Even if the bee loses her sting, the sting drills into the victim, emptying its bag of poison into the wound through a groove between the two slitting spears.

Here is a mechanism as ingenious as the self-starter or anything to be found on an automobile.

The poison gas of the World War was not new when one considers the insect world. The little Bombardier beetle, when danger threatens, fires off an explosive charge of an acrid and irritating gas. When a number of these beetles are alarmed and all fly at once, their little explosive shots seem like a miniature regiment in battle; each beetle is capable of producing from ten to twelve shots in succession.

And how about the submarine? It is this an invention unparalleled outside the patent office? Of course it is one thing for nature to make a fish capable of breathing water instead of air, and of remaining permanently below the surface, and another for man, a land animal, to do down into the water and stay submerged by means of a reserve supply of oxygen. But this is nothing new, either, in Nature's machine exhibit. The whale, a land animal which has been made over to fit conditions at sea, has storage places for carrying extra supplies of oxygen. Essentially the whale is as much a land animal as is a horse or a cow, but the young whale is fed from the breasts by a quick gulp, an act of rapid refueling among the tumultuous waves. The whale is provided with a thick wall of insulating fat against the cold, an essential part of the design to keep the engine of the warm-blooded animal going.

The oxygen reserves of the whale are extensive tracts of arteries and capillaries carrying a supply of oxygenated blood that is not needed when the whale is on the surface and breathing, but which is drawn upon during periods of submersion. The story of how she blows! which the sailor raises from the masthead, means that the whale is blowing off the carbon dioxide preparatory to filling its tanks and going down again.

Deep down in the fat of the whale are to be found the remnants of legs, which are taken as an evidence of evolution. But the whale has been so deeply made over by means of special devices that if it were deprived of them there would scarcely be any whale left.

It is scarcely known that an egg is a piece of machinery, a real, moving mechanism. It is not simply an organism and a mystery, but works according to the principles of the magician's magic bottle and of physical laws. The chalaza, a thick cord of twisted, tough albumen stretching from the yolk on opposite sides to the two ends of the egg serves to hold the yolk in place. When an egg is turned in the fingers or rolled slowly back and forth the yolk does not revolve, but remains with one side always uppermost.

The means by which it does this is the weight on one side, due to the fatty globules on that side being heavier and denser than in the rest of the yolk. Floating in the white like a ship in ballast, it turns on the albumen cord like a ship's compass hanging in the rigging; it is as true to the Zenith as a compass to the pole. The lighter, uppermost side of the yolk bears on its surface the germ spot which represents the future chicken. As a result of the way the yolk is built this germ spot, being always uppermost, is near the warm body of the hen in hatching.

The chalaza is slack enough to let the yolk float near the upper surface of the egg—a further fine evidence of the need of the chick to be close to the source of heat. Nor is that all. A chick or young bird even before its true lungs are formed, needs a small but constant supply of fresh air. There is a special organism by means of which it absorbs air through the shell and for this reason all eggshells are porous. There is a great unity in the complications of the egg, the yolk as a whole being of less specific gravity than the white as a whole, all assisting in making the machinery act as it does.

The small flat place at the big end of the egg provides an air compartment for the use of the chick just before it is hatched. A chick develops with its head toward the big end; when it is fully formed and its lungs are ready for use, it pricks the slight membrane which forms a wall to this air space and takes its first breath. Inspired by this new access of oxygen the chick gives the shell a vigorous peck and makes a hole through which it can continue breathing. The soft bill of the chick is provided with a point of flint-like hardness, which it uses for the purpose of breaking its shell and then discards.

Working models in our museums would be valuable to illustrate these principles of nature.

English School Head Teaches Pupils Juggling

The directress of a large English school has initiated a novelty in education, which, however surprising it appears at first consideration, says "Le Matin," after a little study reveals far more intelligence than is usually found in features of a similar character. She makes all her pupils learn juggling!

Thanks to long continued exercises of this sort with oranges, plates and other objects—a course which she has added to her lessons in gymnastics—the instructress is achieving the happiest results. Her pupils acquire a sense of perfect balance and equilibrium, and become able to coordinate every move and gesture in graceful rhythm with these rising and falling articles.

Such practices add to feminine charm and elegance; their bodies become more pliant and more lithesome, and their contours more natural and pleasing. For these advantages, what girl in France does not desire to take up juggling?

To My Son

Little boy, the golden dust
Of half a million years
Glimmers forth among your hair,
But in your eyes gleam tears

Of desires unfulfilled,
Childish things today
Before the wine of life is spilled
And love's song gone gray.

Little boy, the primrose paths
Are waiting to be trod,
Reaching out towards Beauty
Smiling up to God.

Follow them until the end,
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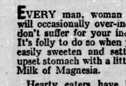
About our street at night:
The dusky gabled houses
With here and there a light,
The pattern of the elm leaves
In lace work on the walk,
The church's bulky tower
Transformed to silver chalk,
The whistling velvet figures
Of homeward-faring men
Whose footfalls tap the silence
Till stillness wakes again,
The sky's brocaded curtain
Tassel-tied with stars,
The post-historic monsters
We know as motor cars.
A kitten's furry-scurry
Across the street-lamp's arc—
Our street is rather lovely
To traverse after dark!

—Doris Wilder, in Poetry.



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