

THE ASHLAND TIDINGS

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failed to enter. The mind gets wearied with grandeur after beholding a score or two of these enchanting chambers, and asks for rest even on the threshold of probable new discoveries. After a short respite, the feeling of curiosity is as keen edged as ever. This is the reason why those who have once visited this scene of underground magnificence are so soon anxious to return again, after reproaching themselves with the folly of leaving without making more thorough researches.

Our party left the cave on the afternoon of the third day after our arrival—most of the members, however, promising themselves a speedy return to the work of delightful recreation—for we had other scenes of natural splendor to visit, and vividly those scenes brought to mind some of George D. Prentice's concluding observations in his immortal poem to Mammoth cave:

"How oft we gaze  
With awe or admiration on the new  
And unfamiliar, but pass eddily by  
The lover and the nightingale! Wonderful  
Is this lone world of darkness and of gloom,  
But far more wonderful yet our world,  
Lit by the glorious sun. These arches eye it,  
Sable in tone and dim magnificence.  
But how sublime God's blue canopy  
Beneath with his burning cherubim,  
Keeping their watch eternal!

As all the snow-white gems that be beautiful  
In these mysterious chambers, gleaming out  
Amid the mysterious gloom, and wild  
These rocky hills, and cliffs, and gulfs; but far  
More beautiful and wild the things that greet  
The wanderer in our world of night—"  
We had for our destination what are  
called "the lakes," near the summit of  
Old Grayback. Up and over the steep  
ridge east of the cave, over logs, through  
thickets, and through "the continuous  
woods where rolls the Oregon" for  
about two miles—nearly all the way on  
an up grade—and we reach a camping  
place on the glade near the lakes, in a  
few rods of immense banks of snow.

Notwithstanding the high altitude of  
our situation, the place was not wanting  
in evidences of a nearness to civilization.  
Sandwiched between patches of  
snow were seen herds of sheep and cat-  
tle, feeding upon the tender green  
grass that crowns this magnificent and  
useful old mountain with mid-summer  
verdure at a time when the valleys and  
their surrounding hills are scorched  
and brown. This splendid provision,  
in the arrangements of Nature is being  
taken advantage of extensively by the  
cattle and sheep owners of Illinois,  
Williams creek and Applegate valleys,  
who find here a land that "flows with  
milk and honey," that greets them with  
all the freshness and joyousness of  
Spring, at a time when the unfortu-  
nate human bipeds of the valleys are  
sweating with Summer heat. Poor  
bipeds! how pity them!

"Ours the wild life in tumult still to range  
From toil to rest, and joy in every change."

Such, I think, was the general feeling of  
the cave hunters the night we lit  
our camp fire so near the stars and  
Heavens. Speaking of the camp fire  
reminds me that there was yet a prac-  
tical, or earthly, side to our existence.  
Despite a sense of our lofty eminence,  
we were hungry, and supper seemed a  
factor in the general make-up of human  
happiness not to be treated with ab-  
solute indifference. The splendid ex-  
ercise necessarily coupled with the  
life we were leading, vastly increased  
our capacity for epicurean enjoyment.

We were so infected with a desire for  
luxuries, that we tried to steal some  
milk from the cows that were feeding  
on the luxuriant garlic, or wild onions,  
near camp. The calves up here, how-  
ever, as we soon learned, are very  
punctual in the performance of duties  
of a lacteal nature, and it was only by  
tying up one of these self-acting—if  
not patented—milkers, that we could  
hope for success. This operation was  
gone through with—we waited patiently  
till morning for the lacteal fluid to  
accumulate, and had our labor for our  
pains. The mother bovine kicked the  
bucket, nearly full of milk, ruthlessly  
to the ground, as if to emphasize the  
commandment, "thou shalt not steal!"  
Anyhow, we had garlic for supper, and  
venison—oh what venison—besides the  
edibles brought with us. Everything,  
or nearly everything, tastes good when  
you are hungry, and we were hungry  
so often that our supplies threatened  
to fail us long before we were satisfied  
with sauntering. Our appetite for  
food being both gratified and satisfied  
for the evening, left us free to feed  
other kinds of appetites that are apt to  
arise an existence when the demon of  
hunger is not too predominant. Some  
of our members were fond of singing;

some, or perhaps all, had a keen relish  
for jokes, while a few—not so very few  
either—had an appetite for—for—well,  
after all, I guess it's best not to be too  
specific. But, anyhow, and notwithstanding:

"He who hath loved not, here would learn that love."  
For, to borrow from the same great bard:  
"It is the hour when from the bosoms  
The nightingale's high note is heard;  
It is the hour when lovers' vows  
Seem sweet in every whispered word."  
And if one or two, or perhaps a still  
greater proportion of our number, were  
ready to say:

"Yes, here indeed is light from Heaven;  
A spark of that immortal fire  
With angels shared, by All given,  
To lift from earth our low desire."

I don't see how anyone who hasn't  
"been there" can successfully contra-  
dict the proposition: those who've been  
there, won't try it.

Amusements around the camp fire  
were kept up until late in the night.  
Tommy excited himself to his fullest  
capacity; Prof. H., though foot-sore  
and disabled for walking by the un-  
usual exercise he was indulging in, was  
the same unruffled embodiment of  
good nature—the same imperturbable  
monument of patience and acquies-  
cence—he had been from the start.  
"Pap" did some things that caused all  
to "laugh consumedly." His main  
effort, however, was a melancholy and  
signal failure. Mounting a log for the  
sake of being conspicuous, he essayed  
the rendering of a very plaintive ditty,  
that had reference to the cold and cruel  
heartedness of a young damsel whose  
name was Polly. He was evidently so  
absorbed in the sentiment that he lost  
run of the words, and broke down on  
the chorus. After frequent repetitions  
of the word "Polly, Polly at last got  
stuck in the mournful singer's throat,  
and he then seemed more anxious to get  
under, than he had previously been  
eager to get on top, the log.

"Oh the performance on which it may be said  
"Twas musical, but sadly sweet."  
After a brief sojourn in the land of  
Nod, we commenced early preparations  
for the succeeding day's adventures—the  
hunters to hunt, and the sight-  
seers to see a section of mountain  
scenery perhaps, unexcelled anywhere  
else on the globe. On our way up to  
the summit of the mountain, we pass  
by the lakes; but they are too small to  
claim much attention. They help out  
the general appearance of the land-  
scape; otherwise they are a useless  
appendage. Once on the summit we  
have a view of a considerable portion  
of two States—our point of observation  
being nearly or quite on the State line.  
Mt. Shasta seems like a near door  
neighbor. The peaks of the Cascade  
range are many of them in sight. A  
splendid bird's-eye view of the inter-  
vening mountains and valleys is also had.  
We can almost see the ocean. Mr.  
Briggs, who is herding sheep almost  
on the summit, says that he can see the  
ocean on a fine day. But the finest  
sight of all is a view of the congrega-  
tion of peaks seen in a south-westerly  
direction. They are very numerous,  
and nearly of the same height, being  
partly covered with snow. The inter-  
mediate places must be filled in by  
the imagination of the reader. The  
only further assistance I feel able to  
render is this: after having seen  
much of the grand and rugged moun-  
tain scenery of the State, I think the  
view had from here, eclipses any simi-  
lar sight I ever had, not even excepting a  
view from the summit of Mt. Pat.

But it is fit that these idle jottings  
should find a terminal point somewhere,  
even right here, without tiring anyone  
with further details; only adding we  
returned in safety.

**Ingersoll on Intemperance.**

In a recent letter to an Indiana paper  
Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll says that  
the only "temperance speech" he ever  
made was in what was known as the  
Munn trial in Chicago, when he made  
these few remarks: "I believe, gentle-  
men, that alcohol, to a certain degree,  
demoralizes those who make it, those  
who sell it and those who drink it. I  
believe that from the time it issues from  
the coiled and poisoned worm of the  
distillery, until it empties into the hell  
of crime, dishonor and death, it demor-  
alizes everybody that touches it from  
its source to its ends. I do not believe  
that anybody can contemplate the  
subject without becoming prejudiced  
against that liquid crime. All we  
have to do, gentlemen, is to think of  
the wrecks upon either bank of this  
stream of death; of the suicides; of the  
insanity; of the poverty; of the igno-  
rance; of the destitution; of the little  
children tugging at the faded dresses  
of weeping and despairing wives, ask-  
ing for bread; of the men of genius it  
has wrecked; of the millions struggling  
with imaginary serpents, produced by  
this devilish thing; and when you  
think of the jails, the alms-houses, the  
prisons and the scaffolds upon either  
bank, I do not wonder that every  
thoughtful man is prejudiced against  
that damned stuff called alcohol."

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