

THE HESPERIAN
BIXBY'S RETREAT.

Who is Omaha?
Kind hearts are more than brass bands.
Don't be an oyster. Come out and look pleasant,—while
you skip your bills.

DEAD BUT STILL TALKING.

Oh, bury me deep in some mossy retreat
Where cool waters run virgin and shy,
With wind-wheels in my head, balloons at my feet
And this sign for the passer by:
"Died—heaven forgive me, my story is short
And sad the inscription I tell—
Of the *alcove-complaint*, just did it for 'sport,'
And now I do penance in—Omaha."

THE SILURIAN CHORUS.

(A museum nursery rhyme.)

'Tis desolate here, all the dreary year
Our hearts are all sad and lone,
Weak and falt'ring our step, with Silurian Epps,
Our fossil companion—gone.

Tell me not, ye ethics teacher,
That man's free will is no dream;
When a man swipes ethics text-books,
Things are not just what they seem.

A WORD TO THE UNIVERSE.

I would really like to hear
Wiley Woodruff,
If you'll pay your bets this year,
Wiley Woodruff.
When the game is squarely won
Will your lawyer heed my "dun?"
Or art etill a sonofagun?
Wiley Woodruff.
You are going in to win,
Wiley Woodruff.
But 'twill be with word and pen,
Wiley Woodruff.
Old Nebraska's giants fear
Nothing from your "atmosphere"—
You may "cash up" while I cheer,
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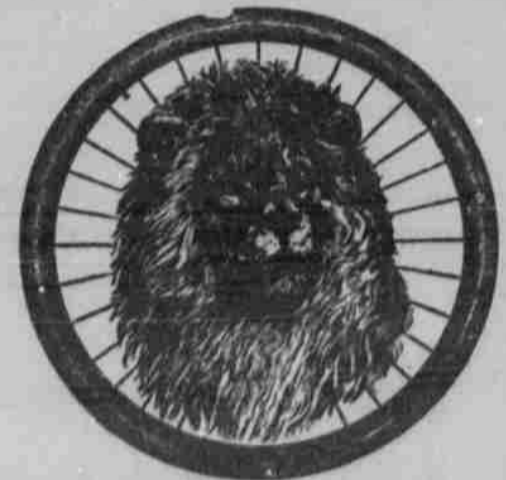
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