

tired and exhausted from travel, he came upon a brook, and he wanted to refresh himself, and as he knelt down on the sand on the edge and there he saw a girl's moccasin tracks, and since he was all this time thinking of meeting his sweetheart, naturally the moccasin tracks that he saw made him think of his sweetheart, and so the song. The title of the song is "The Moccasin Track Song."

Mr. Harlan: Tomorrow evening if we can have this Iowa question I would like to have it. I have some idea that our state was named for the Ioway tribe. But the Mesquakies have a sound in their speech that may have something to do with the naming of it, so tomorrow evening I would like to do something toward developing that idea.

ICARIANS AT NAUVOO

A general meeting of the citizens of Nauvoo was held at the Icarian House on the 6th inst., to whom M. Cabet, the principal of a society of French known as Icarians, delivered an address. After which the meeting passed resolutions complimentary to the French, welcoming them to our land. To these resolutions Mr. Cabet responded, expressing the thanks of his people to the citizens. He said they had "chosen this country as the land of the free, and determined to submit to its laws. If any one should say that the society is contrary to the laws of God, he would be mistaken. We are christians. The gospel is our law. Our community is founded not only on fraternity, equality, and liberality, but also upon morality and temperance, on marriage and family relations, on education and industry, on peace and respect to the laws, and we shall always pray for the prosperity of the great and powerful American Republic." It seems from this announcement of the principles on which the society is founded, that the Icarians have been injuriously slandered in some quarters.—*The Iowa Star* (Fort Des Moines), October 12, 1849. (In the Newspaper Division of the Historical, Memorial and Art Department of Iowa.)

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