ado Isaac packed his belongings into a buckboard; Mrs. Cody with May, still a baby in arms, and the excited youngsters, climbed into the hack that was to carry them so far; goodbys were said; and the Codys set out down the river road, Isaac driving the buckboard and Billy the hack. The momentous step had been taken, Le Claire was left behind. Isaac Cody was again pioneering.

At Davenport the little procession left the valley and struck out across the prairies, then "a great stretch of uninhabited wilderness" reaching all the way from the Mississippi River to the Missouri. Having followed the Codys thus far, to the close of the Le Claire chapter, we leave them—trailing westward into new country, eagerly confronting the future, one that was destined to be more eventful and more charged with fortunes both good and bad, than their imaginations in their most daring flights could possibly have anticipated.

## A CURT TAX NOTICE

I have been dunning every person within the limits of the city corporation for the last two or three months for their taxes, until I have got heartily tired. I will indulge until next Monday week, after which time I will proceed to collect. It is not my wish to distress any individual for the purpose of coercing payment—but our streets need improving; and I must collect, or be censured for not having discharged my duties as an officer. As well as collecting the tax already assessed, I will be compelled to levy and collect a poll tax. Those concerned will please be prepared.

John H. Garrigues, Collector City Tax.

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