

## Chimney Rock

When Chimney Rock was formed so long ago  
Near raging rivers that could overflow  
Before these plains supported buffalo,  
Or later settlers planted with a hoe  
Wide fields of corn and grain all in a row  
Which have become this state's portfolio,

This stone produced a stunning afterglow  
That Clark and Lewis surely came to know  
While on their lengthy trail toward Idaho  
That this would be a mark for all who'd go  
Along their journeys saying "Westward, Ho!"

These migrant folks defied the status quo  
To seek the other end of their rainbow  
For many months with family in tow  
With covered wagons as their bungalow  
In caravans that must have moved so slow.

The pain these travelers had to undergo  
Not knowing they'd become the embryo  
For how our nation's Western lands would grow,  
To them a debt of gratitude we owe.



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