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Suspended 175 Feet High by His Mitten. Nils Johnson, a workman at a Monson slate quarry, had a close call a few days ago. His business is to swing the boom of one of the derricks. In swinging out over the pit, with a chain attached, the hook of the chain caught in the wrist of his buckskin mitten, dragging him over the pit, where he hung by his mitten over a depth of 175 feet. He did not dare to try to grasp anything with his other hand for fear the bent iron should slip from the chain or the mitten give way, so he hung motionless till his fellow workmen came to his rescue and slowly and steadily swung the boom to a place of safety.—Eastern State.

His Fortune to Unborn Heirs. The will of Michael Reilly, the Wheeling millionaire, is the most remarkable document of the kind ever made in the state of West Virginia, if not in the country. By its terms his last surviving grandchild must die before the estate can be touched, and then it must be divided among his grandchildren's descendants only. As the youngest of the grandchildren is but six months old, and the family is known for its longevity, the prospects for a division of the property within the next seventy-five years are remote.—Cor. Washington Post.

Both Changed Their Minds. Two men recently put an evening together. One had put in an application for a divorce from his wife, and the other expected to be married soon. Neither one would possibly admit that the other's talk had any influence on him, but the next day the man who expected to be married broke his engagement, and the one who had put in an application for a divorce withdrew it and made up with his wife.—Atchison Globe.

Money Talked Through His Hat. Edward Burk was arrested at Mount Carmel on a charge of robbery and house breaking. While being searched his hat fell to the floor. The justice picked it up, and finding it somewhat heavy, examined it closely. In the lining was found \$300.—Cor. Philadelphia Record.

Snow at New Orleans. A fall of snow in New Orleans is an astonishing event. Men would scarcely be more excited if Clay statue were to evolve into the crater of an eruptive volcano. That snow is a most wonderful intoxicant cannot be a matter of doubt to any impartial or unprejudiced observer of the antics of Orleansians the other day. Foremost in the ranks of the snow drunk was the powerful small boy—the Bobby of the mansion, the Mickey of Bank alley. Bobby scraped from rose bush, lawn and doormat sufficient snow to make his first snowball, and pelted therewith nurse, coachman and cook. Mickey scrambled with his ragged fellows for the meager fall of snow upon curbstones and pavement, and as he waited with red shining nose for the evening papers, he sent up many a merry shout and shied many a whizzing snowball.

As the fluffy shower began to freckle the gloomy atmosphere about noon pedestrians stopped in their mad rush along the thoroughfares to stand shivering beneath protecting sheds and gaze curiously at the snow as a thing rarely seen. Clerks and shopgirls thronged to windows and showcases and flattened their noses against the panes to see the flocks. Upon St. Charles avenue and Prytania street one might have thought from the number of ladies in shawls and ulsters upon galleries and at windows that some great procession was passing. There was quite as much enthusiasm, nervousness and color. Not a few of the schools and academies gave their pupils a half holiday, with instructions to see the snow and take advantage of the opportunity to study the phenomena pertaining thereto. There was not enough snow to cause any fun about the exchange. Eleven years ago, when the snow fell last, the Cotton exchange men were like so many schoolboys. They rubbed each other's faces with snow, they had snowball battles, and the stately and bewhiskered cotton king thought nothing of being shot through the ear with a globe of snowflakes.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Practical Uses of Wood. Witch hazel is a large and curious forest shrub. The small branches were formerly used for "divining rods," and an extract from it is valued in medical practice. The wood of the American aspen or white poplar is used in the manufacture of paper.—Home and Farm.

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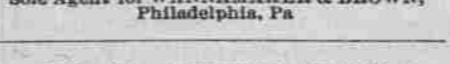
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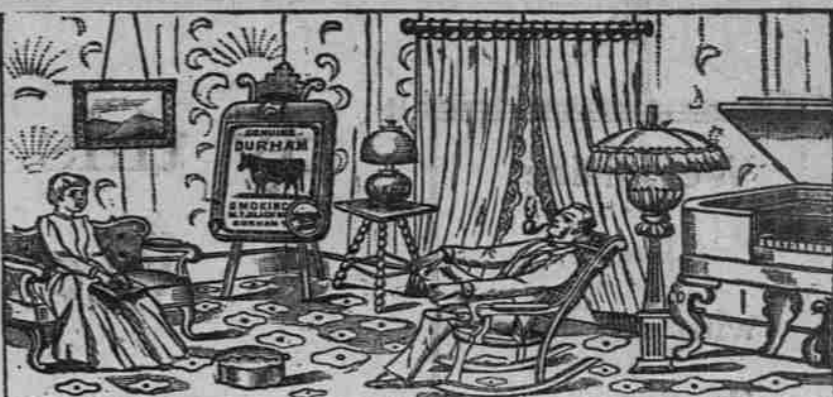
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