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A Doctor's Narrow Escape. Rev. Dr. C. W. Parker, a respectable preacher of Bremen, Ga., is authority for the following tale:

Dr. I. N. Chaney used to practice medicine in Carrollton. He went to Carrollton the other day in his buggy, and while there traded an old debt for a good horse, and started out for Boston in his new buggy, leading his new horse.

When he was nearing the Little Talapoosa river bridge at Kingsberry's mill he suddenly heard a roaring among the trees, which he instantly supposed to be a storm. Looking up the hill he saw the forest in commotion and the trees falling and bending toward him, and in the midst of it a huge body, which proved to be a snake.

The doctor put whip to his horse and was quickly on the bridge. Feeling the buggy jerk he looked back and saw the snake swallow the horse he was leading and plunge into the river just above the bridge, and just as the snake poked his head out on the other bank of the stream his tail was still up on the side of the hill, his body reaching clear across the river.

The horse, having on new shoes, kicked through the stomach of the snake, and the snake stopped and the stream was dammed, and the water rose and floated the snake to a level with the bridge. The doctor jumped out of the buggy, took out a big knife and, cutting the hole larger where the horse's feet were sticking out of the snake's body, the horse floundered out and mounted the bridge. The doctor secured him to his buggy and drove on, but by this time the water had backed till the horse had to swim the low ground, but they made their escape.—Atlanta Constitution.

A Salted Undershirt for the Grip. Five years ago I was suffering with a very severe throat trouble, so much so that I did not expect to live. An acquaintance told me that he could give me a remedy that would cure it and, as I had tried all of the doctors in my town without receiving any benefit, I decided to try the remedy suggested. I tried it, and besides I discovered that I was not subject to colds.

I served a palace car company for two years in that time. I was conductor, running in the states of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee and Alabama. I was of course subjected to very hot cars in winter, and of necessity had constantly to get out in the cold at all hours of the night. In all that time I have never had a cold or the grip.

You will be astonished at the remedy. It is simply to wear a salted undershirt. Take a summer undershirt and soak it in brine made with, say, a half pint of ordinary salt to about a quart of water, and put out to dry. Wear this shirt next to the body. It is not unpleasant to wear and will, I am sure, keep off grip and bad colds, and, I firmly believe, consumption. If I were to live to be eighty years old, I have so much faith in the salted shirts that I would never cease to wear them. My reason for preferring the thin gauze shirt is because the salt makes a heavy shirt too stiff and hard. Wear the heavy shirt over the salted shirt.—Cor. New York Times.

Dr. Fridtjof to Lecture. Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, the eminent arctic explorer, will, at the instance of the Lecture Agency, visit England during February and March and deliver a number of lectures. A special interest attaches to the lectures on the north pole, as the doctor will describe in detail his theories as to the currents which he believes to exist in the Arctic ocean, and by the help of which he hopes to pass near the center of the polar regions during the expedition he proposes to start in the spring of 1893, and for which the Norwegian government has voted him a large sum of money. Dr. Nansen's previous visit to England on the occasion of the British association meeting at New Castle will be well remembered. What money Dr. Nansen is able to raise on this short lecture tour will go toward the outfitting of his expedition.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Olive in California. It is said that olive growing will have a wonderful impetus throughout southern California during the next few months, because of the present very large crop of olives, the introduction of new methods and machinery for making olive oil, and especially because of the splendid prices the olive growers are getting for their crop this season. Olive growing has reached such a stage in Pomona valley that two olive mills are now being built for immediate use there. Prices for cured or pickled olives are as high as ever, and the demand for olive oil is far in excess of the supply.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Joseph V. Dory, of Warsaw, Ill., was troubled with rheumatism and tried a number of different remedies, but says none of them seemed to do him any good; but finally he got hold of one that speedily cured him. He was much pleased with it, and felt sure that others similarly afflicted would like to know what the remedy was that cured him. He states for the benefit of the public that it is called Chamberlain's Pain Balm. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton, Druggists.

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Again, when a page is being read with the shortsighted eye there appears, about an inch to the left, part of the same column, small, and the black, under artificial light, like weak purple. The right hand side of this ghostlike column is lost to the right eye, being commingled with the larger, darker letters seen by the shortsighted left, which cover it like the more recent writing on a palimpsest. Middle life was reached before the discovery was made. These experiences must be gone through with intent, for objects generally being perceived altogether with the right eye, all that the left seems good for is to supply a little more light. The perception of the difference of color is as good with the one eye as the other, and the shortsighted eye can read smaller type.—Nature.

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