The Herald.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 1892

NEWS IN GENERAL

FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

Baby's Soft Spot.

There is a little home over in Jersey to which there came week before last a first baby. As the proud young father had never had much to do with babies before, he showed some natural diffidence about handling the little new-comer, says the New York World, and it was not until she was nearly a week old that he tried his hand at holding her.

He sat with the child in his arms, stroking the tiny hand, the soft cheek the downy hair. Suddenly he uttered a half smothered ejaculation and stooped closely to examine the child's head. In a moment he arose, looking rather pale, laid the baby in the cradle and left the room, and in a minute his voice was heard at the telephone, sending a hasty summons to the doctor.

Then he returned to his wife's room and began to pace the floor in evident agitation, casting glances of distress at the child and of pity at the mother.

In a few moments his evident agitation produced the natural result.

"What is the matter, John?" said his wife, starting up in bed. "Is baby sick?"

"There, there, my dear, you must not allow yourself to be agitated," said the husband, with the tact usually characteristic of the lords of creation. "You must be kept calm at all risks."

"But, John, I am sure it is something dreadful," persisted the wife. "Do tell me!"

"Hush, my dear," was the solemn response. "Remember that your excitement at this time is very dangerous to baby."

There is no knowing to what pitch of anxiety the mother might have been brought had not the doctor been announced at this moment. The young father rushed out into the hall and caught the physician's hand.

"Wait a moment, doctor," he said in a trembling voice. "I sent for you to see if you would do anything to help the baby, and if not to aid me in breaking the news to my wife."

"Why, what is the matter?" exclaimed the alarmed physician as the young man paused, overcome by emotion.

"Oh, doctor, doctor!" half sobbed the father, "I have made such a dreadful discovery. The baby has a soft spot on the top of her head."

Brutal Treatment of Passengers at Fire Island.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The rumor circulated last night that the governor would call out the naval reserves to protect Fire island and cover the landing of cabin passengers is confirmed this morning, and arrangements are now being made to transport the Sixty-ninth regiment and the naval reserve artillery to the island. The Cepheus, with her cargo of helpless women and delicate children, is still anchored in the channel off Fire island. The sufferings during the night are described as having been most intense. The men paced the decks all night or reclined upon the bare decks for a few hours' restless sleep, while the women and children huddled together, crying and praying, in the warmest corners to be found. It was only after the most earnest entreaty that the bay men on shore permitted some food to be sent to the half famished passengers. The Long Islanders have acted like brutal savages, as Fire island, on which it is decided to land the unfortunate people, is situated five miles by water from their settlements. Seth Low, president of Columbia college, has secured the Hamburg-American steamship Wieland for the accommodation of the unfortunate passengers in case their landing at Fire island is further delayed.

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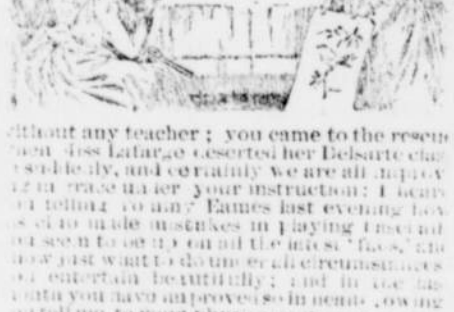

without any teacher; you came to the rescue when Miss Lafarge deserted her Delsarte class so suddenly, and certainly we are all improving [illegible] under your instruction; I heard you telling Tom Eames last evening how [illegible] made mistakes in playing tennis and [illegible] seem to be up on all the latest 'fads,' and how just what to do under all circumstances [illegible] entertain beautifully; and in the last [illegible] you have improved so in health, owing [illegible] tell me, to your physical culture exercises. Where do you get all of your information [illegible] in this little out-of-the-way place?—for [illegible] never go to the city."

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