

SANTIAM FARM TOPICS

The new year is here with a little snow to remind us of the poor people of the east who are suffering untold misery in those blizzards.

Geo. Bilyeu and wife and Geo. Wilfong and wife of Oxnard, California, who are now visiting with uncle George, came over Sunday to visit the Pie Eater's and have one of those old times such as we had back in the '70's.

Prof Geddes of Mill City, who was principal of the Scio schools for several years, called in at the Santiam Farm for a short chat after many years absence.

Claud Smith and wife who have been staying at the home of the latter's father, Newton Crabtree, for several months, have moved to Roseburg, where Mr Smith will follow his occupation as lineman.

G A Griffin has the honor of having pigs six months old that dressed 265 pounds, which is a credit to any farmer.

Mrs M C Gaines has changed doctors again as she has been treated by several who seemed to do her no good. She went to see a specialist in Corvallis last week, and he tells her she has muscular rheumatism and scarce blood, but thinks he can soon build her up to normal health.

The Crabtree Telephone Co has a committee appointed to look out a route and estimate damages to construct a commercial telephone line from Crabtree to Scio in the near future.

Mrs Dora Bilyeu of Lebanon came down to visit her sister, Mrs Griffin, for a few days. Mr and Mrs Enoch Shelton of Scio were out also a few days ago to see Mrs Griffin.

Our neighbors on this side of the creek on the Crabtree road are having social parties two or three times a week, also a social dance, and have a way up time among themselves as they are run on the surprise style as in days of old when all was fun and happiness.

PIE EATER.

Political Burglaries.

It was through a stolen document openly seized by the British ambassador in Berlin that the British government first learned of the recognition of the independence of America by France. The British minister was Hugh Elliot, and he had the desk of the French minister forced open to obtain the copy of the treaty he wanted.

In 1855 a sensation was created by the discovery of a plan by which secret documents were systematically abstracted from the Russian embassy in Berlin, being copied at night in the interests of another nation and replaced in the drawer at the embassy in the morning. The burglaries had been taking place for two years before they were discovered.—Exchange.

Snapping Turtle Eggs.

A snapping turtle lays about two dozen eggs. These are placed in damp sand in a hollow scooped out by the turtle. The mother turtle almost or wholly buries herself in the sand. Then in crawling out she lets the sand over her shell fall upon the eggs, thus covering them. The eggs are white and almost perfectly round and have a very thin, hard shell.—St. Nicholas.

The Gist of It

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**HARRISON'S LOG CABIN.**

The President's Primitive House on the Banks of the Ohio.

The home of General William Henry Harrison at North Bend, which he maintained all through the years of his public services and to which he retired when in private life, was really in part a log cabin. One who was a guest there in 1846 describes it as a long, rambling structure, part two-stories in height, but mostly but one story, with the wide front facing the Ohio river, from which it stood back about 300 yards.

There were nine rooms in all on the ground floor, and one of these—a large one—was the log portion, it evidently having been originally a log cabin standing by itself, but the owner had built additions to it as need was felt and means permitted until he had quite a pretentious country residence. The whole of the exterior had been covered with clapboards—sawed boards being too expensive in those days—and the clapboards were painted white. Seen from the river at the bend, it is said to have presented a very beautiful aspect, the white building in its setting of green in summer being particularly striking.

In this log cabin portion of his residence General Harrison often entertained companies of friends, and cider was the beverage used at these dinners. This hospitality was famous just prior to the presidential campaign in which he led the Whigs, and the contest became known in political history as the log cabin and hard cider campaign.

After the death of President Harrison Mrs. Harrison returned to the old home at North Bend and there spent the rest of her life. General Harrison owned a large farm, and it was managed by his son-in-law, Colonel W. H. H. Taylor.

Mrs. Harrison, who was a daughter of Judge J. C. Symmes and was born in New Jersey, lived to be eighty-nine years old, her death occurring in 1864, near the close of the civil war. Her body lies buried beside that of her distinguished husband in the soil of the old farm, where in all probability a suitable monument will soon be erected by the joint efforts of the nation and the state of Ohio.—Columbus Dispatch.

**Wrong Lawyer.**

A briefless lawyer not long past his bar examinations was waiting for business when a farmer dropped in.

"Say, young man, I see by the sign outside that you're a lawyer," was the salutation. The briefless lawyer looked very wise and nodded his head.

"Well, if you're a lawyer you can tell me something. If I sell a man a horse and he gives me a promissory note in payment and he doesn't pay up his note can I go to his barn and take his horse away?"

"You certainly can't," said the lawyer. "You'll have to sue him to recover the value of the note?"

"Can't, eh? Well, I guess I'll get another lawyer. I've done it."—New York Sun.

**Iceland's Hot Springs.**

The hot springs in Reykjadal, though not the most magnificent, are perhaps the most curious among the numerous phenomena of this sort in Iceland. On entering the valley you see columns of vapor ascending from different parts of it. There are a number of apertures in a sort of platform of rock. The water is 212 degrees F., and it rises two or three feet into the air. A river flows through the valley, in the midst of which a jet of boiling water issues with violence from a rock raised but a few feet above the ice cold water of the river. Not far from this is the grotto or cave of Surt, which is so large that no one has penetrated to its inner end.

**A Printer's Blunder.**

A Paris newspaper on one occasion made a blunder which excited no small amount of merriment at the expense of a man of real talent. The following paragraphs, intended to have been printed separately, were by some error so arranged that they were read consecutively: "Dr. X. has been appointed head physician to the Hospital de la Charite. Orders have been issued by the authorities for the immediate extension of the cemetery at Mont Parnasse. The works are being executed with the utmost dispatch."

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