Johnson's Witness

A farmer named Johnson was on trial before a Detroit Justice the other day for assault and battery, and when the prosecution had finished he put a little old man of about 65 on the stand as a witness. The lawyer began:

'What is your name?' 'If you'll tell me your name I'll tell you mine !' was the prompt auswer. 'Where do you reside ?'

'I won't answer no such foolish question! I've paid taxes in this county for fifty years, and I won't be talked to as if I was a child.'

'Well, Mr. Blank, you saw this difficulty, did you ?'

'If I hadn't seen it would I be here? Do you 'spose I want to be arrested for forgery ?'

· How did it begin ?'

'How does anything begin ?' snapped the old man. 'Well, now, will you tell the jury all

about it ?' 'No, sir, I won't ! If the jury want to know anything about it they must

ask me.' 'You must answer the questions,' remarked his Honor.

'I will if I want to, but they haven't asked any questions yet.'

have any hard words ?' asked the law-'I 'spose they did, but I wouldn't

swear to it.

brung on the fuss. I'm over sixty, but if any man calls me a liar I'm going to knock his durned head off !'

'Well, when the plaintiff called the defendant a liar, what was the result ?'

'Why, how do I know ?' 'Didn't you see a blow struck ?' 'Not there, but next day after this fuss I saw the purtiest fight in the world! One of the Jones boys was-

'Did you see any part of this fuss ?' 'No! How could I when I was three miles away; you ought to know better than to ask such foolish questions.

'How did you hear of this difficulty ?

'Mr. Johnson told me.' 'That will do-you can go.'

'But I agreed to come here for a dollar and swear, and I'm going to do it! You needn't think you can doze bull me around because I'm old.'

A constable had to haul hi m out of the box and put him out of doors, but he wouldn't go away until he had his head into the window and said :

'If you think I'm scart come out here and put a chip on your shoulder !'

Ventilation of School Rooms.

A school room that is solely independent upon open windows for ventilation is unfit for use during the greater part of the year. Children sitting near the windows cannot be exposed to draughts, and except in warm weather such rooms cannot be thoroughly ventilated in this way. The device of fitting boards under the window, so as to separate the sashes a few inches in the middle and admit fresh air, without creating a current, is useful in hospitals. but does not meet the requirements of a crowded school room. The ventilation of school buildings ought not to be left to chance, but should be systematically provided for. Children are tender plants that thrive in fresh air, and droop, spindle and wither in foul air. One of the best proofs that the air in school rooms is too unfit for children to breathe is the prevalence of near-sightedness among the older pupils. The eye, being the most delicate bit of mechanism of the human body, requires the best blood which the physical system can command, and consequently suffers more than any other organ when the blood is vitilated by the inhalation of foul air year after year. To nearsightedness are added other positive indications of the paleful effects of carbonic acid in the school atmosphere- Coburn, Pa., Aug. 1., 1884. the pale faces and impaired health of the children and the chronic headaches and neryous depression of the teachers. The subject is one of vital importance to the public, and any authoritative information which may be forthcoming ought not to be capriciously suppressed.

His New Flying Machine.

An enterprising saloon keeper on Grand River avenue is always on the lookout for any novelty that may draw customers and perhaps this fact may have been known to a bland-faced old man who entered the place the other day and confidentially began:

'If I could draw a crowd of one hundred men to your place here, what sum would you be willing to give me.' 'What do you mean ?' asked the sa.

'If it was known that I had in my possession a flying-machine, and that it was to fly from your door here on a certain day and hour, would n't the novelty

be sure to collect a thirsty crowd?' 'Yes, I think so. If you have a flying-machine and want to show it off here to-morrow night, I'll give you a dollar, and if the machine is a success,

perhaps I'll buy it.' 'Well, sir,' continued the old man, in

ness the experiment. The old man arrived on time, having some sort of a bundle under his arm, and he collected his dollar of the saloonist and secured several 'treats' from the crowd. When everything was finally ready he stood on the walk clear of the spectators and

'Gentlemen, I warrant this thing to fly. I didn't invent it myself; but I am now acting as State agent to dispose of county rights. Hundreds of men have spent years of anxious thought and thousands of dollars in seeking to invent flying machines, but this one leads them all. She will now fly. Please stand back and give her a chance to

The crowd fell back, and the man let fall the cover hiding his bundle, and gave an old speckled hen a toss in the air. She uttered a dismal squeak, sailed this way and that, and finally bumped against a telegraph post, and settled down on the roof of a low shed, cackling in an indignant manner at being turned loose in a strange neighborhood. It was fully a minute before the crowd was sure that it was a hen, and during that minute the old man is supposed to have run a distance of seven blocks. A few tried to overhaul him, but it was no use .- M. Quad.

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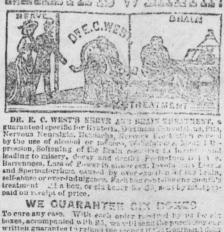


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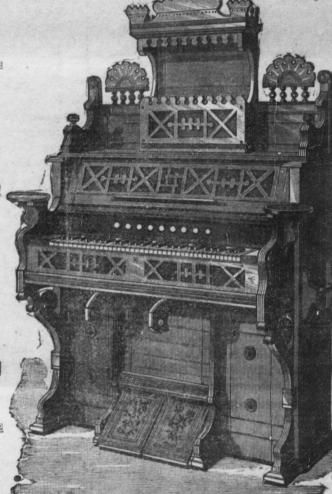
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