

Democratic Watchman

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Our Friend the Snake.

This is the season of snakes and snake stories. It is seldom that the exchange editor at this period allows his scissors to pass by a snake item.

They consider snake stories as staple goods, and that the tale of the exploits of a big serpent will find far more readers than "David Harum" and all the other popular novels of the day.

It does not take much of a literary expert to know that the taste in the matter of snake items in this generation runs mostly to big snakes.

Not only this, but every time the story of the snake is told it grows larger, and by the time the shortest story gets to third or fourth hands it becomes a thing of monster proportions.

The fact is that the most of us are away off on the snake. We have been trained to shudder at and abhor him from our youth up, and to look upon him as one of the most dangerous creatures that have been placed here to share the earth with us.

In this portion of the country there are only two varieties of snakes whose bite is poisonous, the rattlesnake and the copperhead. The rest are harmless as kittens.

A Fatal Flash.

During an electric storm last Tuesday afternoon Miss Maggie L. Yont was killed a short distance from Rainsburg, Bedford county, while washing a churn under a wire clothes line.

Miss Yont was at the east side of the James house, where she was working, under a wire clothes line, washing a churn. One end of the clothes line was fastened to a pear tree.

The house and all its contents with several of the out-buildings were completely destroyed.

You ought to take the WATCHMAN.

Conkling and Mrs. Sprague.

Dead Woman's Influence in Inducing Him to Make His Great Electoral Commission Speech.

When Don Platt was publishing the Standard Capital in Washington he printed an editorial (said to have been written by Colonel A. C. Baell, now with the Gramps) in which was charged that Conkling was called from the floor of the Senate by a nod from Mrs. Sprague in the Senate gallery, and that the summoning of Conkling in this manner had much to do with the passing of the Electoral Commission bill.

This statement is true as to the authorship of the editorial referred to, but does not state or even fully suggest the real historical fact involved. The occasion was the close of debate in the Senate on the Electoral Commission bill.

Among the most active and ardent of the Hayes managers were Charles Foster and Stanley Matthews, both of whom were in particular, was a lifelong friend of the Chase family.

Some time previous to these events Conkling and Matt Carpenter had undertaken certain litigation involving her father's estate of Edgewood, in Philadelphia.

Therefore, the great woman was not only able to get the attention of Conkling and make him listen to her, but was also capable of presenting the Hayes case to him more forcibly and more cogently than any other of the Hayes entourage could do.

As soon as their eyes met when the Senate convened next morning Conkling gently shook his head, his gesture Mrs. Chase Sprague reciprocated with many bows and smiles.

The speech he made is generally considered the most marvelous extemporaneous oration ever delivered in the Senate.

Col. Ingersoll's Small Estate.

His Widow Declares that He Left no More Than \$10,000.

Mrs. Eva D. Ingersoll, widow of the late Robert G. Ingersoll, filed a petition in Westchester county, New York last week reciting that no will had been found, and asking that she be appointed administratrix of her late husband's estate, which she declares is not worth more than \$10,000.

Mrs. Tilford—It must have taken Daniel Webster a long time to compile the dictionary; don't you think so?

Mrs. Tilford—Now don't be silly; Noah built the ark.

Deceased had been suffering from a corn on her toe. She treated it and it became sore. Blood poisoning set in and the toe was amputated. This, however, did not save her life. She was 65 years old.

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