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THURSDAY EVENING, AUG. 12, 1880.

### MR. WEED'S SNAKE STORY.

NOT ONE OF THE MODERN TRUTHFUL  
KIND, BUT A SNEAKING INVEN-  
TION.

About a Reptile of Wondrous Sagacity that  
was seen in Milk & Cheese—A True  
Story—How it was discovered—An  
Interesting Reminiscence.

Thurlow Weed told a Sun Reporter the  
other day that a bogus snake story, about  
a black snake milking a cow regularly,  
which he published in the Rochester Tele-  
graph more than half a century ago, has  
reappeared and gone the rounds of the  
press every ten or fifteen years since. He  
said "there was a curious dog story in the  
paper about that time—1824 or '25. It  
was this: There was a farmer living in  
the township of Henrietta, Monroe county,  
who had moved there from Vermont, talk-  
ing with him a favorite dog. For four or  
five years the farmer and his wife, after  
his work was done in the fall, made an an-  
nual visit to Vermont in his light wagon  
(this was before the days of railroads), and  
took the dog with him. The sixth year  
the farmer died. The dog waited till it  
was time for the farmer to make his  
visit, started off alone, and made his ap-  
pearance in Vermont, where he remained  
and refused to return.

"The story was extensively copied in the  
newspapers and my friend and I, talking it  
over in the office, resolved to invent a  
snake story, and by low big a story peo-  
ple would swallow. The outcome of our  
deliberations was this:

"A farmer in the town of Parma, Monroe  
county, had several cows in his wood lot  
and he discovered that one of them was  
falling in her milk. He was surprised, for  
she had every outward indication of giving  
plenty of milk; but when she was brought  
home in the evening to be milked she had  
no milk of any consequence. It finally ex-  
cited so much attention that they had a  
boy set to watch the cows. Half an hour  
or so before the usual time for the cows to  
be driven in for milking, this particular  
cow and the others went off in the  
bushes. The boy followed her. She seem-  
ed to be in search of something. At last,  
to the lad's astonishment, a snake crawled  
up to the cow and caught hold of her teat.  
She stood patiently until the snake had  
satisfied itself and glided away, when she  
rejoined the other cows. The boy ran  
home and told the story. They changed  
her pasture after that and she gave as good  
milk as anybody's cows."

"There was another curious story started  
but it only lasted a few years. I didn't  
originate that myself. It was done by a  
vag who used to come into my office about  
that time. He brought in a paragraph  
stating that some fishermen at the mouth  
of a creek emptying into Lake Ontario had  
found a black bottle on the beach. It was  
sealed up, but on opening it there was  
found a written account of a naval engage-  
ment on Lake Ontario in 1750 between the  
French and British vessels. It purported  
to have been thrown aboard when one of  
the vessels was sinking. The story was  
generally copied by the press, and I had  
so many letters about it that it finally be-  
came embarrassing. I remember that  
among them were letters from the histori-  
cal society of Philadelphia and the histori-  
cal society of Quebec. At length a letter  
came from the historical society of Paris  
asking for fuller information; and I had  
the mortification of having to state that  
it was a hoax, which wasn't very pleasant."

"Mr. Weed talked pleasantly about the  
periodical reappearance of old stories, and  
of fugitive poetry in the newspapers until  
another reminiscence occurred to him.

"I remember feeling very bad," he  
said, "over one illusion of my own that I  
published with great satisfaction an article  
which I had copied, giving a description of  
our Saviour, alleged to have been written  
by a Roman governor to a Roman emper-  
or. It was just such a description as you  
would imagine of the Saviour's physi-  
que and appearance, even to his voice,  
and was altogether a most charming pic-  
ture. I published it a number of times  
during fifty years, generally about Christ-  
mas as the most appropriate occasion.

"For six years ago, not having seen it  
for several years, I wrote a little account  
of it in the Tribune, and directly there  
came evidence that it was a fraud. I didn't  
believe it at first, so strong had been my  
belief in the genuineness, but finally I was  
overcome by the proofs, and I had to  
give it up. It was written by a monk in  
the seventh or eighth century.

"More conversation ensued about Mr.  
Weed's newspaper experience since 1817,  
when he first published a paper, until he  
brought up another reminiscence.

"I was traveling in the stage," he said,  
"through a place known as the Indian  
Castle, about eighteen miles from Utica,  
in those days there were always idle Indians  
lying around the taverns. While we got  
out for a few minutes, I had a conversation  
with a squaw which I printed afterwards,  
and which was widely copied.

"The squaw had her papoose strapped  
on her back, as usual with them. I said  
to her, looking at the child, 'Is that your  
papoose?' She said 'Yes,' 'Why,'  
said I, 'that's a white child.' 'No,'  
she replied, gravely, 'it's half Indian, half  
missionary.'"

"Modern First-class Snake Stories.  
Brooklyn Eagle.

"Do you want some items about  
snakes?" asked an agricultural-looking  
gentleman of the Eagle's city editor the  
other day.

"If they are fresh and true," responded  
the city editor.

"Exactly," replied the farmer. "These  
items are both. Nobody knows 'em but  
me. I got a farm down on the island a  
piece, and there's a lot of snakes on it.  
Near the house is a pond six feet deep. A  
week ago my little girl fell into the  
pond, and would have drowned if it hadn't  
been for a snake. The snake seen her and  
went for her and brought her ashore. The  
particular point about this item is the way  
he did it."

"It was a black snake, about thirty feet  
long, and he just coiled the middle of  
himself around her neck so she couldn't  
swallow any water, and swam ashore with  
his head and tail. Is that a good item?"

"First class."

"You can spread it out, you know.  
After they got ashore the girl sat the  
snake on the head, and it went off pleased  
as Punch. Ever since then he comes to  
the house regular at meal times, and she  
feeds him on pie. He likes pie. Think  
you can make anything out of that item?"

"Yes, I got a baby six months old.  
He's a boy. We generally sit him on the  
grass of a morning, and he rollers like a  
bull all day; at least he used to, but he  
don't any more. One morning we no-  
ticed he wasn't hollering, and wondered  
what was up. When we looked there  
was a rattlesnake coiled up in front of  
him scanning his features. The boy was  
grinning and the snake was grinning.  
Bimeby the snake turned his tail to the

baby and backed his rattle right into the  
baby's fist."

"What did the baby do?"

"Why, he just rattled that tail so you  
could hear it three-quarters of a mile,  
and the snake lay there and grinned.  
Every morning we found the snake there,  
until one day a bigger snake came, and  
the baby played with his rattle just the  
same till the first snake came back. He  
looked at the second snake and he been  
sent the first to take his place. Will  
that do for an item?"

"Immensely," replied the city editor.  
"You can fill in about the confidence of  
childhood, and all that, and you might  
say something about the blue-eyed cherub.  
His name is Isaac. Put that in to please  
my wife."

"I'll do it. Any more snake items?"

"Lemme see. You've heard of hoop  
snakes?"

"Yes, often."

"Yes, so. Not along ago we heard a  
fearful roar in our cellar one night. It  
sounded like a rock-blast, and then there  
was a hiss and things was quiet. When I  
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was terribly bewildered. They worked  
with me about an hour before I could stand  
alone. They then threatened to hang me  
again if I did not tell them where the Ben-  
ders were. I could not, and begged them to  
hang me until dead the next time and not  
try and bring me to. I had already suf-  
fered death, and did not want to suffer it  
again and then be brought to. One of them  
came to me and whispered for me to run  
into the bushes and get away. I told him  
I would not. He held me then to walk off,  
and after I got started they fired several  
shots after me, to scare me I suppose, but  
I was far past being scared at that time. I  
then wandered round in the woods, and  
finally found Baker's blacksmith shop,  
where I found some of my friends, who  
were looking for me.

A Natural Ice House.

In the Blue mountains, on the farm of  
Samuel Thompson, near Swartswood pond,  
in Sussex county, New Jersey, is a crevice  
or canon several hundred yards in length  
and from ten to thirty feet deep. The bot-  
tom is covered with ice, and the crevices  
are filled with it. In fact, it is a natural  
ice house, where many tons of ice can  
be taken out without apparently de-  
creasing the supply. The greater part of  
it has been there for many years, the mass  
slowly melting in summer and increasing  
in winter until it has become several feet  
thick. During the past warm weather,  
when the thermometer registered in the  
nineties only a mile from the gorge, at the  
bottom of it, it marked only thirty-eight  
degrees. A few feet from one end of the  
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