

**A Terrible Night Experience in the Mt. Washington Signal Service Building.**

[Harpers' Magazine.]  
Noticing that the sides of the summit were strewn with boards, beams and debris, my guide explained that what I saw was the result of the great January gale. He added:

"Late in the afternoon my comrade, Sergeant M., came to where I was lying abed sick, and said, 'There's going to be the devil to pay, so I guess I'll make everything snug.'"

"By nine in the evening the wind had increased to 100 miles an hour, with heavy sleet. At midnight the velocity of the storm was 120 miles, and the exposed thermometer reached 24 degrees below zero. With the stove red, we could hardly get it above freezing inside the house. Water froze within three feet of the fire—in fact, where you are now sitting."

"At this time the noise outside was deafening. About one o'clock the wind rose to 150 miles. It was now blowing a hurricane. The wind, gathering up all the loose ice of the mountain, dashed it against the house with one continued roar. I lay wondering how long the building would stand this, when all at once came a crash. M. shouted to me to get up; but I had tumbled out in a hurry on hearing the glass go. You see, I was dressed, to keep myself warm in bed."

"Our united efforts were hardly equal to closing the storm shutters from the inside, but we finally succeeded, though the lights went out when the wind came in, and we worked in the dark."

He rose to show me how the shutters of black oak were first secured by an iron bar, and secondly by strong wooden buttons firmly screwed into the window frames."

"We had scarcely done this," resumed Doyle, "and were shivering over the fire, when a heavy gust of wind again burst open the shutters as easily as if they had never been fastened at all. We sprang to our feet. After a hard tussle we again secured the windows by nailing a cleat to the floor, against which one end of a board was fixed, using the other end as a lever. You understand?" I nodded. "Well, even then it was all we could do to force the shutters back into their place. But we did it. We had to do it."

"The rest of the night was passed in momentary expectation that the building would fall down into Tuckerman's Ravine, and we with it. At four o'clock in the morning the wind registered 186 miles. It had shifted then from east to north-east. From this time it steadily fell to ten miles, at nine o'clock. This was the biggest blow ever experienced on the mountain."

"Suppose the house had gone, and the hotel stood fast, could you have effected an entrance into the hotel?" I asked.

"We could not have faced the gale."

"Not for a hundred feet? not in a matter of life and death?"

"Impossible. The wind would have lifted us from our feet like bags of wool. We would have been dashed against the rocks, and smashed like egg shells," was the quiet reply.

"And so for many hours you expected to be swept into eternity?"

"We did what we could. Each wrapped himself in blankets and quilts, binding these tightly around him with ropes, to which were attached bars of iron, so that if the house went by the board we might stand a chance—a slim one—of anchoring somewhere, somehow."

**A Professional Bondsman.**

[New York Independent.]  
In the city of New York there are some queer associations one of which has lately been brought to the knowledge of the public in the person of James Barclay, who is a professional bondsman—supplements his honest income as a professional gambler and liquor-saloon keeper by that of bondsman. He can scarcely read and can write nothing more than his name. Having made some money at keno and faro, notwithstanding his business was occasionally broken up by the police, and also holding for some time the post of city librarian, he was able to buy a house valued on the tax-books at \$6,500. Now by influences in the district attorney's office, he began to bail disreputable people, receiving ten per cent. on the amount of bail furnished. Last year he bailed, on this basis of property, twenty-three criminals, at sums ranging from \$300 to \$1,500 each, and two months of this year show nine more cases of his kindness. Thus the city is protected. His chief fields seem to have been the Jefferson Market police court and the court of general sessions.

Canada has 6,459 sailing vessels and 918 steamers, with gross tonnage of 190,159 tons.

**The Minister's Cow.**

An exchange tells this droll story of a clergyman's experiment and how it ended:

Some years ago there lived in Central New York a very worthy and respectable divine known as Father Goss. He had a hired man named Isaac, who always obeyed orders without question.

Father Goss bought a cow one day which proved refractory when milked, refusing to surrender the lacteal fluid, although Isaac used all the persuasive arts of which he was master. He finally reported her delinquencies to his master.

"Well, Isaac," said he, "go to the barn and get those pieces of new rope."

Isaac obeyed; the cow was driven into the stable, tied with a piece of the rope, when the Rev. came out, armed with a knife.

"Now," he exclaimed to Isaac, "I will get on the cow's back and you tie my feet beneath her, then you go on with your milking, and with my weight on her back she must give down her milk."

Isaac obeyed. The feet were tied, the pail got and milking commenced.

But the cow objected, and plunged wildly about. The stable was low, and the Rev's head was fearfully thumped.

"Oh, Isaac, Isaac!" bawled he, "cut the rope."

Isaac seized the knife and cut—not the rope which tied the master's feet, but the one that tied the cow. The stable gate was open, also the yard gate.

A way darted the frantic cow, the terrified man on her back, helplessly roaring:

"Stop her, stop her!"

While madly careering down the road he met a parishioner, who excitedly called:

"Why, Mr. Goss, where are you going?"

"Only God and this cow know!" groaned he; "I don't."

The animal was finally caught and the man released, much frightened but unhurt.

**Soda for Burns.**

All kinds of burns, including scalds and sunburns, are almost immediately relieved by the application of a solution of soda to the burnt surface. It must be remembered that dry soda will not do unless it is surrounded with a cloth moist enough to dissolve it. This method of sprinkling it on and covering it with a wet cloth is often the very best. But it is sufficient to wash the wound repeatedly with a strong solution. It would be well to keep a bottle of it always on hand, made so strong that more or less settles on the bottom. This is what is called a saturated solution, and really such a solution as this is formed when the dry soda is sprinkled on and covered with a moistened cloth. It is thought by some that the pain of a burn is caused by the hardening of the albumen of the flesh, which presses on the nerves, and that the soda dissolves the albumen and relieves the pressure. Others think that the burn generates an acrid acid, which the soda neutralizes.

An Edinburgh woman has been arrested 136 times in nine years on various charges.

**Arrivals and Departures of Mails.**  
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Hickory Flat, arrive Tuesdays at 7 p. m., leave Mondays at 6 a. m.  
W. H. HASKELL, P. M.

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July 9, 1881-ly.

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