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A Lesson to House Buyers—How a Fisherman Paid for his Homestead.
The Gloucester (Mass.) Advertiser tells the following instructive story:

Several years ago there resided in a fisherman whose surname was Peter. He had quite a large family, and had purchased a house, giving as part payment a mortgage on the building. Time passed off and he got in arrears, and the mortgage threatened to foreclose. This was a severe blow to Peter, as he knew not where to go or how to relieve himself. In his trouble he applied to a well known financier in town who listened to his story, blamed him for his negligence, gave him some good advice, and concluded by saying that he would help him out of the difficulty, and put him in the way of paying for the house, if he would solemnly agree to follow out his instructions, and if he deviated in the least, he would have nothing further to do with him. Peter assented to this and received the money to pay up the mortgage, amounting to \$5,000. "Now," said his benefactor, "I want you to own that house as soon as possible, and to do so you must give me your note, and upon your return from every trip of fishing, I want you to immediately come to my house and tell me how much you have earned, and how much you can afford to pay toward the house, without distressing yourself and family. I shall watch you, and if you fail to come even once, then you will lose your house." Peter promised, and went his way. A fortnight passed, and Peter knocked at the door of his patron. "Walk in," was the response. "How much did you make this trip?"

"Forty dollars, sir."
"How much can you pay toward the house?"

"Thirty, sir."
The amount was duly indorsed on the note, and Peter left. At the return from every trip he never failed to report himself, although sometimes he could not pay but one dollar, yet he was always kindly received and encouraged. At the expiration of two years he made his last payment, interest and principal, and received a clear title to his house, which is owned and occupied by his family to this day, who would have been poorly off indeed had he not left them at his decease a place of shelter.

There is a moral to this sketch, which is, that those desirous of owning property must make a beginning, and add to the amount from their earnings, even if the sums are sometimes small. They all help to swell the aggregate and teach lessons of economy which in themselves are more valuable than the money saved. Young men, save a portion of your earnings and invest them where they will be safe, instead of spending them foolishly, as is too often the case in these days.

Care of the Foot.

Many are careless in the care of their feet. If they wash them once a month, they think they are doing well. They do not consider that the largest pores of the system are located in the bottom of the foot, and that the most offensive matter is discharged through these pores. No one has failed to notice the odor which is experienced in the presence of certain persons. Ill health is generated by such treatment of the feet. The pores are not only repellants but absorbents, and this foisted matter, to a greater or less extent, is taken back into the system. The feet should be washed daily as well as the arms, from which an offensive odor is also emitted, unless daily ablution is practiced. Cleanliness is next to godliness. A man or woman can neither feel well nor be well, unless frequent bathing is practiced. Stockings should not be worn more than a day or two at a time. They may be worn for one day, and then aired and sunned and worn another day; but to wear the same stockings for a whole week is not doing justice to your feet, nor your health, nor your conscience; for who can have a clean conscience in a foul body?—[Rural World.]

The Commission appointed by the Governor to audit the claims of Missouri for war expenses, under the Congressional act appropriating seven millions to pay the same, has approved them. The expenditures were six and a half million dollars. It is believed the payment of these claims will improve the finances of Missouri, so as to insure the future payment of the State interest regularly.

Col. Montgomery has been made Brigadier General of the Militia for efficient service in Lafayette county. He killed the notorious bushwhacker Arch. Clemens, which is the best thing that has ever befallen that county for many a day.—[State Times.]

Directions for Skating.
We submit the following directions for new beginners in the art of skating. If carefully observed you will soon become adepts:

1. Never try to skate in two directions at once. This feat has often been attempted by new beginners, but never successfully. It always ends in sorrow.
2. Eat a few apples for refreshment while skating, and be sure to throw the cores on the ice, for skaters to break their shins over. Fast skaters are your natural enemies, and should not be allowed to enjoy themselves peacefully.
3. Sit down occasionally, no matter where—right in the way of the rest of the party, if you want to. There is no law to prevent a new beginner from sitting down whenever he has an inclination to do so.
4. When you meet a particularly handsome lady, try to skate on both sides of her at once. This is very pretty, and sure to create a sensation. If the lady's big brother is in sight it is well to omit this.
5. Skate over all the small boys at once. Knock 'em down. It makes great fun, and—they like it.
6. If you skate into a hole in the ice take it coolly. Think how you would feel if the water was boiling hot.
7. If your skates are too slippery buy a new pair. Keep buying new pairs till you find a pair that are not slippery.

[N. B.—We don't expect a pair of skates for this notice, but if they are sent, we feel tolerable sure they will not be thrown out of the window.]

8. In sitting down, do it gradually. Don't be too sudden; you may break the ice.
9. When you fall headlong, examine the straps of your skates very carefully before you get up. This will make everybody think you fell because your skate was loose. Beginners always do, you know.

10. Wear a heavy overcoat or cloak till you get warmed up, and then throw it off and let the wind cool you. This will insure you a fine cold that will last you as long as you live.
11. After you get so you can skate tolerably well, skate yourself sick immediately. Don't be reasonable about it; skate three or four hours—skate frantically—skate till you can't stand up. Do this every day, and it will be sure to make you sick at last; and then you may die, and that will be an excellent thing; it will be such a good example to the rest of the young people.

A few simple directions for lady skaters are added:

1. If you wear tilters on the ice, be sure that your calves are properly adjusted. The spectators along the bank are generally critical.
2. Scream prettily in passing an air hole, and give the arm of Charles Augustus a frantic squeeze. It makes him feel his oats, in a protectional way.
3. If your skating partner is eligible, and your foot is pretty, don't hesitate in asking him to adjust your skate straps every ten minutes. He will rather like it.

Josh Billings on Owls.

Josh Billings says of owls: Burds is God's choristers. Tew the lion he gave majesty, tew the elephant strength, tew the fox cunning, and tew the tiger deceit. But tew the burds, his pets, he gave buty and song. And none so blest as the owl.

The owl is a game burd; he can whip anything that wears feathers—after dark.

He is a wise burd, and hoots at most things.

He is a solemn burd, a cross between a Justice of the peace and county supervisor.

He is a stiff burd, and sits up as stiff as an exclamation point.

He is a luxurious burd, and feeds on spring chickens.

He is a long lived burd, and never was known to take death natrally.

He is a hardy burd, and grows tuff by biling.

He is a honest burd, and always shows an open countenance.

He is a prompt burd, and satisfize at once his outstanding bill.

He is a comfortable burd, and alwuz sleeps in feathers.

He is an attentive burd, and durin' the day can alwuz be found in.

He is a festive burd, and don't come home till morning.

Thus the owl is a mistaken emblem of solitude and sadness, if we dig into his natur closely, he is emphatically one uv the boys, and belongs to the club.

A man's wife, in South Bend, Ohio, presented her husband with a very fine boy. Next morning the man stepped into the Mayor's office and stated that the night previous a fellow came stalking into his house, stark naked; that he was there yet. Three policemen at once started on the run to roust the intruder. When they got to the house, they asked to see the fellow that had come there the night before. The nurse brought out the baby. The policemen suddenly disappeared, and it is supposed have had to stand a good many treats since.

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