

THE FARMERSVILLE REPORTER.

Scared Out of a Wife.

(Continued from last week.)

You see we had to be awful quiet so that the old man wouldn't hear.

I was now ready to get into bed, so I put the light out and picked up my boots thinking to put them in a more convenient place; when down went one of my feet through a pipe hole, which had been covered with paper, up to my very hip.

Now one part of me was up stairs, while the longest part was in the kitchen.

As my leg was very long it reached a shelf which was occupied by dishes, pans, coffee pots, etc., and turning it over down it went with a tremendous crash.

The girls had not yet retired, and I could hear them laugh fit to split their sides.

I felt awful ashamed, and was scared until my heart was in my throat for I expected the old man every moment.

I extracted my leg from the con-founded hole just in time, for the old lady looked into the kitchen from the room door, and asked "what's all this noise about?"

The girls put her off as best they could and went to bed, while John was strangling himself under the cover to keep from laughing aloud.

We soon went off into the land of dreams, with the hope of waking early. I wish I could tell you my dreams, but it would take too long.

One moment I would fancy myself beside Sadie, sipping nectar from her heaven-belle lips, the next I would be flying from the old man, while he would be flourishing his cane above my head.

This all came to an end by John giving me a kick.

On waking up and looking around I saw John's eyes as big as my fist, while the sun was beaming in at the window.

What to do we could not tell, for we heard the old man having family prayers in the kitchen.

John looked out of the window and said we could get down over the roof.

"Get out and dress as soon as possible," he said.

So in my hurry my feet got fastened in the bed clothes, so out I went, head foremost, turned over and down the steps until I struck the door which was fastened with a wooden button, and it giving way out I rolled right in front of the old man.

He threw up both hands and cried "Lord save us!" for he thought I was the devil.

The old woman screamed until you could have heard her a mile.

I was so scared and bewildered that I could not get up at once. It was warm weather and I didn't have anything on but a shirt.

When I heard the girls snickering, it made me mad, and I jumped up and rushed out of the door, leaving the greater part of my shirt on the old iron door latch.

Off I started for the barn, and when I was half way through the yard the dog set up a howl and made for me.

When I got into the barn yard I had to run through a flock of sheep, and among them was an old ram,

who backed off a little and made for me. With one bound I escaped his blow and sprang into the barn, and began to climb up the logs into the mow, when an old mother hen pounced upon my legs and picked them until they bled.

I threw myself upon the hay, and after John had slid down the porch into a hog-head of rain water, he came to me with one of my boots, my coat and one of the legs of my pants.

He found me completely prostrated. Part of my shirt, my hat, one leg of my pants, vest, stockings, necktie and one boot were left behind.

I vowed then and there that I would never go to see another girl, and I'll die before I will.

COUNTY ITEMS.

From our Exchanges.

Gananoque has 23 manufactures.

The new English Church at North Augusta was opened last week.

Rev. D. Winter is conducting revival services at Toledo and Prof. Tupper is teaching a singing class.

It is announced that races will be held in Kingston on the 24th and 25th inst., when prizes amounting to \$500 will be given.

Report says some of the Lansdowne people have had great sport fox-hunting lately, and succeeded in bagging a fair quantity of game.

The Scott Act petition in Kingston has been signed by more than the required number. Business men will not be sorry to see the Act carry in Kingston.

Perth hotelkeepers have adopted a scale of prices to meet the Scott Act. The rates now are meals 40c., lodging 40c., shed for one horse 10c., two horses 15c.

Recruits are being added nightly to the Gananoque Salvation Army which numbers 150 members. The attendance is large and great interest is manifested.

No trace has yet been found of the boy lost at Gananoque. A reward of \$100 is offered for information leading to his recovery.

There is a young lady in Mallorytown who, failing to obtain health from the physician, is now undergoing the treatment known as the faith cure.

Mr. Harris, of Ottawa, has decided to build a large hotel at North Bay, to be used as a summer resort. The building is on the shore of Lake Nipissing.

The Prescott Messenger appears to have done well last year in the way of receiving Government support, having received no less than \$6141 for printing, and \$81 for advertising.

The Rev. Mr. Krupp, of Frankville nearly met with quite a serious loss. It appears that he drove from Toledo after holding services there in the evening and leaving his horse standing at the door stepped into the house for a light. Upon coming out he found his horse had left and immediately started in pursuit. The next morning a neighbor found the horse back of the village in a hole. It had pounded itself so as to make its future usefulness doubtful.

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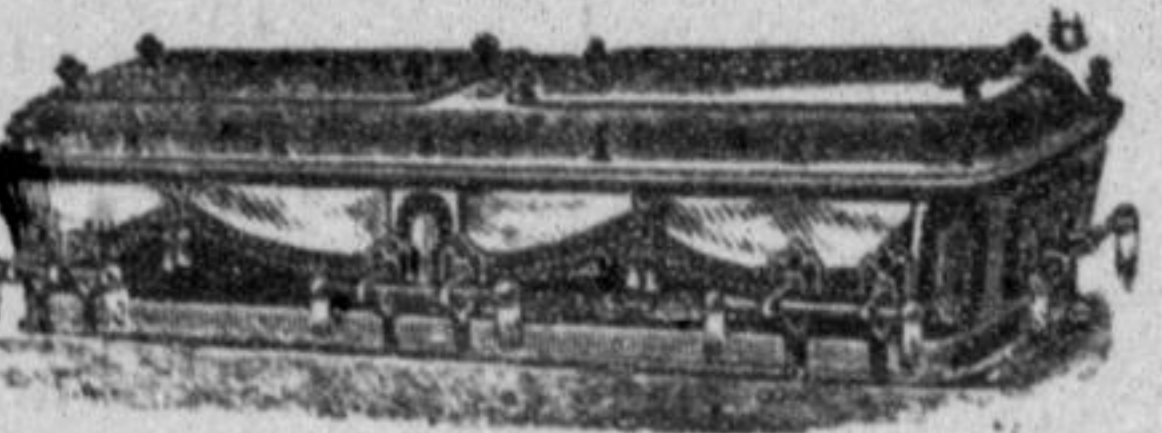
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