THE EVENING NEWS.

Tuesday, ... January 17, 1871.

UNDER THE ICE.

We are called upon to record in this instance one of the most marvelous preservations recorded in the annals of modern history, and while the reader may pause incredulous over the remarkable narration, we declare the leading particulars as a veritable state of facts. The skaters were merry at the bridge on Monday night, as were they in almost every other locality unvisited by calamity, and skillful skaters glided over the glassy surface, cutting names, initials and hieroglyphics with their perilous engraving tools. The more nimble and skillful played ball and cavorted around the clumsy amateurs, who, with half-cracked skulls and wet seats to their breeches, blew their fingers and gazed at the experts standing on one leg and looking at their left coat-tails over their right shoulders, in spite of all the laws of gravitation.

All at once an exclamation of horror transfixed every gazer to his feet. Amid the cracking and breaking of the ice one was observed struggling for a hold on the slippery edges of the ice, which broke off in large pieces. His benumbed fingers loosened their grasp, and the unfortunate skater was carried by the murderous current out of sight under the cold and glassy ice. Being an expert swimmer, and possessed of great presence of mind; he struck out vigorously and swam after the manner of a diver. The fishes gazed at him with their green eyes and nibbled his clothes as he swam through the frigid current, and he, too, imagined that grim death was gazing at him, but he struggled manfully on, not heeding the meddlesome cat-fish which swam along beside him, as though they would question him concerning his severance with the affairs of the land. He is almost exhausted; and he lets down and his feet strikes the bottom. He has reached a shoal. Pressing his head vigorously against the yielding ice, with his feet braced below, a cracking is heard and he gazes along the surface of the ice. To come through lightly was but a moment's work, and bidding his friends—the fishes—good bye, he is conveyed to a fire to dry and warm, having swam over twenty yards under the ice.—Leavenworth, (Kansas) *Republican.*

A VOW STRANGELY KEPT.

A Prussian officer, says a Versailles correspondent of a London paper, and a party of men came to the residence of the Marchioness of B——, an old lady, who had fled not like her neighbors. He seemed to know her name, for he inquired of the villagers where the house was, and if the lady was still living in it. He entered with his men, and swore and stormed in the hall till he saw the mistress. He ordered dinner for his party, spat on the carpet, took up a chair and dashed it against a mirror, threw a vase down from its stand, broke a clock over the chimney-piece, and behaved, in fact, abominably. The old lady was terrified to death. Dinner was served. The officer complained of the wine, and told his men to throw the bottles through the windows till they got better drink. He dined apart, and treated the servants with the utmost insolence. At last, when the orgie was over, he asked to see the lady of the house. He was told that she was in bed, ill and frightened.

"Where? Oh! in this room. But I am going to sleep here."

The lady had to get up and turn out, and the officer went in, broke some things, got into bed in his clothes, and after a time rang the bell violently. A servant appeared. The officer pursued the domestic, and insisted on seeing the lady. Surrounded by her maids, and pale and fainting, the old lady received him at the door of her room. He took off his helmet, bowed with the utmost courtesy, and said:

"Madame, I have accomplished a promise, and fulfilled a vow. Your husband was General the Marquess of H——."

"Yes."

"He was in the First Regiment of Hussars, as a captain, when the French invaded Prussia?"

"I know he served in that regiment."

"Well, then, madame, I have to tell you that he came to the house of my grandmother, whose father had fallen at Jena. You think I have acted badly here; but I know how Captain de B—— treated our house. I heard the story as a boy, and I treasured it in my soul. I know the disgrace and ruin he brought upon my name, and I spare you the recital of it. But I made a vow when it seemed the idle whim of a boy, and now, in part, I have kept it. Good night, madame. I do not pass a night under your roof. My men will protect you," and so stalked away.

EXTRAORDINARY PRANKS OF AN ADMIRER OF NILSSON.

A great many people have raved about Mlle. Nilsson; poetical effusions, strongly indicative of insanity, have been indited to her; ladies without number have been sick with envy about her; but nothing so painfully absurd has ever come to light with regard to her, says the Chicago *Times*, as the case of one Jerome Meyr. Where and when the passion of Meyr was originally conceived does not appear, though it is probable that at her first concert he was seized and overcome with the dangerous malady, as shortly after that event he endeavored to see the prima donna at the Sherman House, in Chicago, but was prevented from so doing by the watchful Strakosch—since which time he has persistently pestered the employes of the office with his cards, which he desired to have sent to her. Of course, this was refused, and resulted in calling out the following note:

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"Look here, Squire, where were you born?" said a persistent Yankee to a five minutes acquaintance. "I was born," said the victim, "in Boston, Tremont street, No. 45, left hand side, on the 1st day of August, 1820, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon; physician, Dr. Warren; nurse, Sally Benjamin." Yankee was answered completely. Soon, however, his face brightened, and he quickly said: "Yess; waal, I calculate you don't recollect whether it was a frame or brick house, daw ye?"

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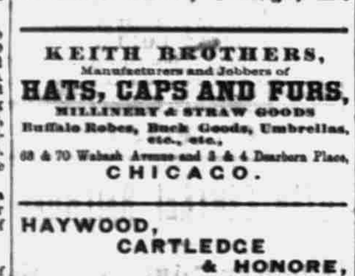

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Claim the same advantages over others of their class as the new Family Machines. These old and well-tried Sewing Machines are *applicable to all kinds of heavy and light manufacturing in Cloths, Leather,* etc., and run in the most perfect and reliable manner without trouble to the operator.
Without any previous advertisement, the Demand for the Singer Machine is so Great that we *have been unable to retain even one Machine to exhibit,* as sold, but a large number are now on the way from New York, and
WILL ARRIVE IN A FEW DAYS.
They will consist of the Different Varieties made by the Singer Manufacturing Company, and we shall sell at Eastern Prices, with addition of Freight only. To accommodate parties who cannot pay all down, we will sell on
EASY MONTHLY INSTALMENTS
So that all may possess one of these *Blessings.*
For the convenience of our Patrons we have engaged the services of a gentleman who has had twenty years experience and is one of the most skillful experts in the world in repairing and adjusting Sewing Machines. He will put each Machine in complete and practical running order before it leaves the Institution, and will also insert to purchasers all needful instruction, so that they can at once commence work.
We resort to no trickery whatever to sell Sewing Machines, but allow their Great Merits to recommend them. We can do this, as the demand for them is so great that although the Singer Company make more than all other first-class companies combined, they cannot nearly fill their orders, and are compelled to still extend their Gigantic Works.
We having been so fortunate as to secure the
General Central Agency,
For this Territory, we extend a cordial invitation to all to come and see the Machines, whether they wish to buy or not. See all others, but do not buy without you examine the Singer.
We Guarantee every Machine we sell to give entire satisfaction.
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Is the only Practical one in the World.
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