

**A Scrupulous Witness—The Quakers Outdone.**

The Norfolk Journal says:

"A witness in an assault and battery case, which came before the Mayor a few days ago, refused either to swear or affirm, saying 'he had conscientious scruples in that respect. The case being an unimportant one, and the assault being admitted by the assailant, the Mayor declined to insist upon the matter, but told the recusant witness that if the case was an important one he would be compelled to insist upon a compliance with the law. The witness said his Bible taught him to swear not at all, and he would go to prison before he would do it. He evidently thought an affirmation the same as an oath. As this is rather a novel question, we subjoin the law on the subject. According to chapter XVI., section 17, Code of 1860, 'the word oath shall be construed to include an affirmation may be substituted for an oath, and in the like cases the word "sworn" shall be construed to include the word "affirm." According to chapter XIII., section 7, 'if any person required to take an oath shall declare that he has religious scruples as to the propriety of taking it, he may make a solemn affirmation, which shall in all respects have the same effect as an oath.' The penalty for refusing to be sworn or to make an affirmation is confinement in jail until the witness is willing to testify. We understand that the peculiar views entertained by the witness referred to above are shared by several other persons in this community."

The Courier Journal believes that Dr. Mary Walker is unquestionably the most thorough pantaloonic of the age.

The knowing ones tell us that the only way to get pure port wine is to go to Oporto, raise the grapes, press the wine, put it into the casks yourself, and ride on it all the way home.

A young man who boards for a living says he found a song in the butter the other morning. When asked the title of the song, he said it was "Only a Woman's Hair."

If anybody has any doubts about anything not being read in a newspaper, just let him put something which he would not like to have known in the obscure part of the obscure paper he can find, and then he'll see how it is himself.

Women require more sleep, it is said, than men. Blifkins disputes this, as, he says, the last sound he hears at night is the voice of Mrs. B. in her nocturnal lecture, and the first in the morning is her matutinal admonition.

Economy is wealth. A well-regulated Newark family ate hash for breakfast in 365 different styles last year, and the mother is, in consequence, enabled to blow her nose on a nineteen-dollar lace handkerchief.

Joseph McCarty, editor of the Truth Teller, thinks that if the whole truth about women could be known every virtuous man in the world would run howling to the nearest water and drown himself. Well, don't tell it all. Who wants to know it?

As a contrast to the case of Miss Barber, who married the Sioux chief, "Squatting Bear," and whose doleful story has gone the rounds of the papers, a New York journal tells us of Miss Ayres of Philadelphia. When Col. Downing, chief of the Cherokees, was in Philadelphia, his eloquence so impressed Miss Ayres, that disregarding the remonstrances of her friends, she resolved to cast her lot with the "noble red men." She established her home at the beautiful Cherokee village of Talequah. Here she instructed the people, and devoted herself to advancing their religious training and their educational interests. She soon became a Lady Bountiful among the Indians, and by the friendship of the grateful chief, Colonel Downing, was able to effect much good. When the Indian wife of Colonel Downing died, she married him, and is now Queen of the Cherokees, and apparently as happy as poor Miss Barber is miserable.

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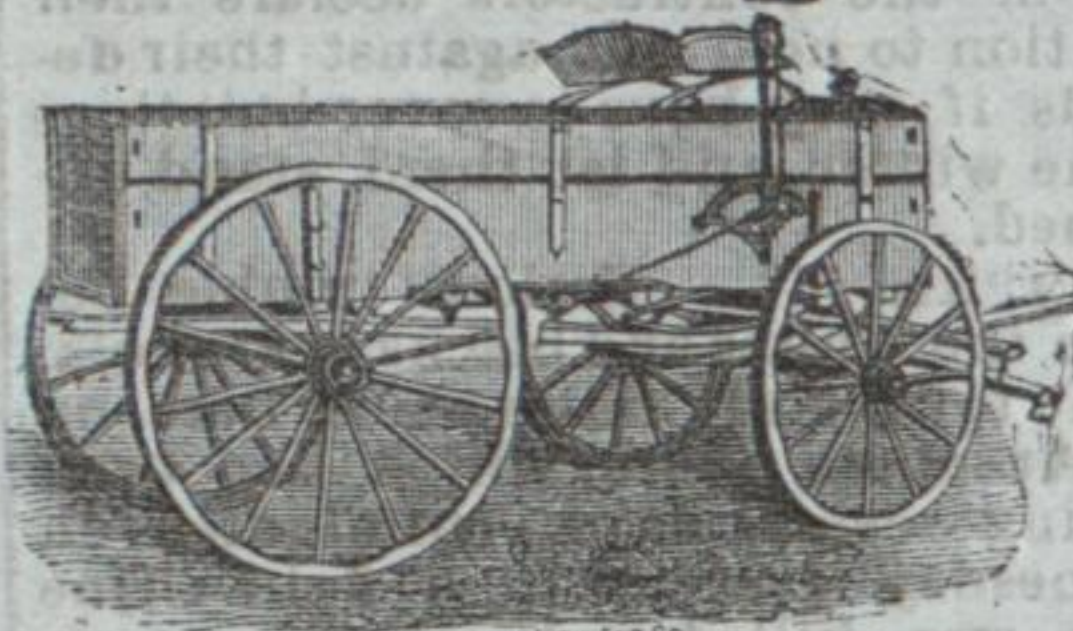
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