



As my child's eyes are my eyes of
 my child's feet, as my child's feet
 As my recollection recalls them to view,
 The soap-kettle hung on the poles of
 green basswood;
 The smoke and the smell that my
 infancy knew!
 But those days of soap and
 consequent anguish,
 Have long since departed, we
 pray and we hope;
 The use of the stuff 'gan to
 wane and to languish
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ABOUT SITTING.
 The chronic wiper, some most
 go against the habit of Americans "sit-
 ting on their spines" has suddenly start-
 ed up again. The lackadaisical, round,
 shouldered and slanting carriage of New
 Yorkers is noticeable in nearly all public
 places. I have often observed, in glance-
 ing over the people in the big restau-
 rants, that the diners lounged in their
 chairs almost without exception. The
 men who sat erect in a sensible fashion
 was a great rarity. All along Broad-
 way loungers in hotels are sprinkled
 over their seats in a similar way, and
 nothing is more common than to see a
 man slide down in his seat in the the-
 ater until his knees are wedged against
 the chair in front of him and his neck
 rests upon the back of his own chair
 in railroad trains there is a similar ex-
 hibition of lackadaisical, sprawling,
 lounging and half recumbent men. I
 have a notion that all of this is due to a
 certain extent to ignorance.

Men who have long journeys to go
 through should try the effect of sitting
 upright in the corner of a seat one day
 and sprawl all over the seat the next.
 They will find that the percentage of
 fatigue is immeasurably smaller when
 sitting squarely in the seat than when
 trying to cover it in a recumbent pos-
 tion. So it is in the street car, the cab
 and the elevated train. The principal
 advantage of the erect posture is that
 when a person sits in this way, without
 leaning against the back of the seat, the
 jar of the car is so distributed that it
 never reaches the head. There is much
 more comfort to be had in sitting erect
 than in lounging. —Blakeley Hall in
 Brooklyn Eagle.

How One Regimental Pet Was Secured.
 The Ninety-fifth Derbyshire (now the
 Second Battalion Derbyshire regiment),
 possessed at one time a highly prized
 pet. It was on the 30th of March, 1838
 that Major and Brevet Lieutenant Col-
 onel Raines of the Ninety-fifth foot, led
 the third assaulting column at the capture
 of Kotah, and important fortified city of
 Rajpootana. The assault had proved
 successful, Kotah was taken, and the
 Ninety-fifth, under Colonel Raines, was
 engaged in clearing the streets, when a
 private of the Grenadier company not-
 iced a fine black ram tethered in a
 garden.

It was a magnificent animal, with
 enormous curved horns—one, in fact, of
 the famous breed of Rajpootana "fight-
 ing ram." Colonel Raines' attention being
 drawn to this ram, it struck him how
 very well it would look marching at
 the head of the Ninety-fifth; so, as
 there was no actual fighting going on at
 that moment, he ordered the Grenadier
 to take possession of the animal.

The order was readily obeyed, and
 thus the Ninety-fifth acquired this hand-
 some representation of their county
 badge (the "Derby Ram"), for the ram
 proved a willing prisoner, showing not
 the slightest disposition to resent his
 compulsory enlistment into her Britan-
 nic majesty's service. The Ninety-fifth
 highly approved of their prize. The
 ram was forthwith dubbed "Derby I,"
 and handed over to the care of the big
 drummer, who from that time became
 his "comrade." —London Art Journal.

Arago's Dilemma.
 Arago, the great French scientist,
 dreaded nothing more than seeming
 ridiculous. He was careful of his dig-
 nity even with his most intimate friends.
 Eugene de Mircourt give an amusing
 account in his "Portraits et Silhouettes
 du XIX Siecle" of Arago's mortification
 at having to share a room with his
 friend, M. Quetelet, director of the
 Brussels observatory.

They were at Louvain. When it ap-
 peared that the best accommodations
 that could be given them was one room
 with two beds Arago seemed much dis-
 turbed. When they went to the room
 he paced the floor impatiently, while the
 Belgian astronomer watched him in as-
 tonishment and dared not prepare for
 bed.

Finally Arago seemed to form a des-
 perate resolution. He exclaimed, "I
 ought to tell you, my dear friend, that
 it is impossible for me to sleep unless I
 have on my head—"

"What?"
 "A cotton nightcap!"
 "Faith, that is my own habit," replied
 M. Quetelet. "Many persons cover their
 heads so when they go to bed."
 "Do you think so?" said Arago with a
 sigh of relief. "But that is not all.
 When I sleep—"
 "Well?"
 "I snore!"
 "Ah, so do I. I make as much noise
 as a pipe organ," returned the Belgian.
 "Oh, well, then, that is different,"
 said Arago, much consoled. "Let us go
 to bed."

His Offering.
 A Boston newspaper reports an amus-
 ing scene in an open horse car. The
 conductor had collected his fares and re-
 turned to his station upon the rear plat-
 form when one of the passengers left his
 seat and took another nearer the front.
 The conductor, meantime, was presu-
 mably on the lookout for passengers,
 and when his gaze reverted to the car he
 saw, as he thought, a new man in one of
 the forward seats. He proceeded at once
 to collect the fare and tapped the gen-
 tleman courteously on the shoulder.
 "This is a one cent piece," said the
 official.
 "Yes," answered the passenger, "I
 know it. I paid my fare when I was in
 the other seat. This time I supposed
 you were taking up a collection."

The Corpse "Took a Hand."
 Dr. L. Cornean, author of a work en-
 titled "Certain Signs of Death," says
 that he can cite ninety-six well authen-
 ticated cases where persons were buried
 alive by mistake. Here is one: A French
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