

**Eight Hours in a Snow Drift.**

The Fort Fairfield Leader says: Mr. Richard Phillips had a terrible experience on the night of Monday the 13th inst. While driving through Caswell on his way to Limestone, his horse got off the road, at a point about six and one half miles from the latter place. The snow storm raged so violently at the time that Phillips could not see a pace in front of him and he recognized the impossibility of finding the road. He unhitched the horse and strapped the blankets and robes on him losing one of his mittens in the operation. After providing for his steed he began to think of his own welfare. Scooping a hole in the snow, he laid down and the drift soon covered him over. In this cool rest house he put in the night from 10.30 p. m., to 7.30 a. m. The daylight penetrated his coverlet. (which he says was very transparent), for some time before he arose, but he finally made a break, and came forth with his clothing frozen to his body. He found shelter in the home of Mr. Fraser, a short distance from the scene of his difficulty, and here he was cared for until able to resume his journey. One hand being minus a mitten was quite badly frost bitten, and both ankles were slightly frozen, otherwise he has not suffered from an experience that, fortunately, falls to but few men. The horse was all right and remained near the pung.

**Vigorous Old Age.**

Calais Times: In 1861, thirty-eight years ago, Patrick Myers, of this city, wished to volunteer in the Union army, but was rejected on account of his advanced years. He was presumed to have passed the limit of efficiency as a soldier. But that the recruiting officers were at fault in their judgment is evidenced by the fact that in all the years that have intervened from the outbreak of the civil war to the present Mr. Myers has been performing constant manual labor, putting in more days of useful and arduous work, at good wages, than the average young man would care or would be competent to perform. He was the first man to appear on the streets Tuesday morning after the great storm, and he shovelled snow from daylight to dark, though he is now 102 years old. His one hundred and third birthday will occur on the 22nd of February, an American holiday. Mr. Myers has resided in this city ever since he came from Ireland, nearly half a century ago. He has acquired a good property, and five years ago revisited his native land. Three years ago he went on a trip to the Pacific coast to visit relatives, although at that time he had nearly attained the century mark.

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**Curious Chickens.**

The Galesburg Evening Mail tells this without a smile: A man not far from Deer Creek has been trying the experiment of mixing a little sawdust with the usual meal. He was so pleased with the experiment that he determined to give up the feeding of his hens cornmeal and feed them sawdust instead. Shortly after he sat a hen with 15 eggs. Last week she came off with 13 curious looking chicks. Twelve of them had wooden legs, and the other was a woodpecker

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