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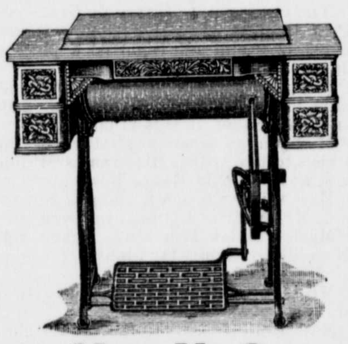

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The statement of W. George Marley, a member of the Towson bar that he had a large bullfrog which dropped from the clouds during a recent heavy rainstorm which passed over that place, has reopened the much-mooted question of the probability of such a phenomenon. A reporter of the *Sun* interviewed several naturalists yesterday and could not find one who was willing to believe in such a thing. Dr. Philip R. Uhler, President of the Maryland Academy of Science, says that it is a common thing to see a paragraph in a newspaper, telling of a shower af frogs, but that he has never believed any of these reports. "Such talk," he said, "is nonsense, pure and simple."

Dr. Uhler advised the reporter to look into Harnwicke's *Science Gossip*, as he said something authorative could likely be found there. In one of the volumes of this work for 1872 the following was found:

"'M. A. B.' will be extremely obliged to any one who will freely and fully explain how showers of frogs and fish are produced, if they are not absorbed or drawn up into the clouds by the intense heat of the sun's rays before decending to the earth in showers. An answer in the next number of *Science Gossip* will be eagerly looked foward to."

In another number of the same publication for 1872 the following article by H. E. Watney was found.

"I really thought until I read 'M. A. B.'s' inquiry in the January part of *Science Gossip* that showers of frogs, like showers of gold, were exploded myths. Doubtless the latter fable had its mortal, and we occasionally see an elderly Zenus of modern times win a fair young Danæ, but I do not believe the former either serves to point a moral or adorn a tale, unless it be a fair one.

"I will, however, briefly relate to M. A. B.' what a very good naturalist friend of mine said to me in explanation of this very subject, apropos of a newspaper account of a 'shower of frogs.' Every female frog is capable of producing 1,000 young ones; these little froggies hide in crevices and under stones, waiting to come forth directly the first summer showers pour down. They appear in multitudes immediately genial rain falls, and some good folks ever since the day of Aristotle have been found to imagine that they drop from the clouds or they may have been taken up from a marsh and let fall."

But Mr. Watney's view was not shared by Thomas Cooper, the author of "Purgatory of Suicides," who wrote of this subject as follows:

"The author recalls another natural phenomenon I witnessed when a boy. I saw a shower of live frogs. I record this because I have read, not only in that beautiful old book of Ray's 'The Wisdom of God in Creation,' but in later books affecting great fidelity to facts in science that such a sight is impossible. I am as sure of what I relate as I am of my own existence. The minute frogs, jumping alive, fell on the pavement at our feet and came tumbling down the spout from the tiles of the house into water tubs."

The question, therefore, seems to resolve itself into one where doctors disagree and where people may have their own opinion although the *Sun* would not advise any one to believe that there have been such things as showers of frogs.

The Nature of the Case.

"I am not expecting," said the lady of the house.

"This is the number," persisted the driver of the delivery wagon, looking at his book again. "Name's Higgins, ain't it?"

"Yes"

"No. 74."

"That's our number."

"Then it's for you."

"I think noi. It must be a case of mistaken idenity."

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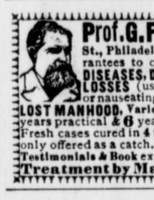

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