

BATHER IN BARREL ROLLS INTO MISSOURI

**BELIEVED IN CLEANLINESS BUT
WILL IN FUTURE HAVE BETTER
APPLIANCES.**

Bismarck, N. D., Sept. 2.—
One of the most peculiar accidents in the history of the state happened to Henry Sile, a farmer living on the banks of the Missouri river, ten miles from this city. It appears that while Sile has no modern improvements in his home he nevertheless enjoys a bath once in a while. He has kept a barrel at the rear of the house which stands on the edge of a declivity leading down to the river. After a hard day's work Sile fills the barrel and jumps in. Last night he followed the usual program and sitting down in the barrel to "souse" himself was unable to arise again and in his efforts to get up the barrel was upset and Sile, barrel and bath rolled to the bottom of the hill and into the river. The barrel went in head first and Sile would have been drowned had not a neighbor been going by across the river and as the stream is very low was able to get across and rescue the man who believes in cleanliness, from a serious predicament. It was not until the barrel had been broken that the bather was able to get out and he then and there vowed never to patronize other than a tub for bathing purposes.

The story came out today while Sile was in the city inquiring the cost of installing a modern and up-to-date system of plumbing in his house, the system to include a modern bath tub.