

It has often been said that he must have been a bold man who first ate an oyster. This is said in ignorance of the legend which assigns the first act of oyster eating to a very natural cause. It is related that a man walking one day picked up one of these savory bivalves just as it was in the act of gaping. Observing the extreme smoothness of the interior of the shells, he inserted his finger between them, that he might feel their shining surface, when suddenly they closed upon the exploring digit with a sensation less pleasurable than he anticipated. The prompt withdrawal of his finger was scarcely a more natural movement than its transfer to his mouth. It is not very clear why people when they hurt their fingers put them into their mouths—but it is very certain that they do, and in this case the result was most fortunate. The owner of the finger tasted oyster juice for the first time. The savour was delicious; he had made a great discovery; so he picked up the oyster, forced open the shells, banquetted upon their contents, and soon brought oyster-eating into fashion. And, an like most fashions, it has never gone, and is never likely to go out.

A boy apparently very much agitated rushed into the house and said to the lady: "I don't want ter alarm yer, but I've got big news. The man sent me up from the livery stable to tell yer." "Good heavens! what is it?" "Why, you know your little boy Aleck, what the man can't keep outen the livery stable 'round the corner?" "Yes, well?" "I told Aleck just now not to go inter the stable among the horses, but he wouldn't mind me." "Oh, dear, what has happened?" "He said he wanted to see what a mule 'ud do when yer tickled its heels with a straw." "Oh? heavens," gasped the lady, and clung to the mantel-piece for support. "Well, sir, yer boy Aleck got a straw, sunck up behin' a sorrel mule tickled him on the heels, an'—" The lady started for the door. "An' the blamed critter never lifted a hoof," called the boy. "Never so much as switched its tail. It's a mighty good thing for Aleck that it didn't, too; an' I thought I'd come up and tell yer." And he dodged out at the side entrance.

Leap-year gives young ladies a gentleman's privileges in making love. Perhaps it does. But no respectable young man, says an able Western journal, will have anything to do with a young lady who takes a position on the street corner and winks at the gentlemen as they pass by. Nor would it be well for a dozen or more young ladies to loaf around the front of a church an hour and a half on Sunday nights, sparring and knocking one another's hats off, and dancing a tra-la-la on the sidewalk in order to kill time until the congregation is dismissed, and then up to a young man and escort him home. Not any.

The expression is often heard, by people who understand very little about it, that "we all eat too much." This is very rarely the case. It should rather be expressed, "we eat too much of one thing, or of the same kind of food, because cooks and housewives are so very ignorant." It is perfectly impossible for a human being to exert his best faculties if under-fed. There never was a strong man with a strong brain who could keep up the physical and mental drain without an ample supply of food. When people, then, do not feed, there is something wrong with heads or stomachs.

Lord —, whose popularity was not excessive in the town of A —, having refused an importunate beggar, she renewed her applications with: "Now, me lord, if y'd just give me one little sixpence, I could treat every friend ye have in the town."

"AND how does Charlie like going to school?" kindly inquired a good man of the little six-year-old boy, who was waiting, with tin-can in hand, the advent of another dog. "I like going well enough," replied the embryo statesman, ingenuously, "but I don't like stayin' after I get there."

A petite blue-eyed maiden, who was nursing her fifth Christmas doll, and listening to her mother and some female friends talking about domestic broils and divorces, created rather a pleasant sensation by remarking, "Well, ma, I'm never going to marry. I'm going to be a widow."

An old German froze his nose. While thawing it out he remarked, "I no understand dis ting. I haf carry dat nose forty years, and he never freeze hisself before."

WHEN a woman promenades the streets leading a dog it looks as if she couldn't get anything else on her string.

As too long retirement weakens the mind, so too much company dissipates it.

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Ch'town, March 30, 1880.

U. S. POLITICS.

For the next few months we must expect very little from the United States newspapers that is not political. Already a few State conventions have been held but the bulk of those that have been arranged for so far are set down for the present and the two subsequent months, June leading in number. Some Republican conventions have been already held and the Democrats of Rhode Island and Newbraska have also got through with their business. Further Democratic conventions have been called as follows: Iowa, April 7; Louisiana, April 12; Texas, April 20; Pennsylvania, April 28; New Hampshire, May 5; Ohio, May 6; Wisconsin, May 12; New Jersey, May 19; Virginia, May 19; Missouri, May 26; South Carolina, June 1; Alabama, June 2; Tennessee, June 3; Indiana, June 9; Illinois, June 10; Florida, June 10; Kentucky, June 17; North Carolina, June 17. The delegates meet at Cincinnati to select a candidate for the Presidency, but who will be the standard bearers for the Democrats—or Republicans either for that matter—it is impossible to surmise. The exigencies for politics among our neighbors are somewhat productive of strange results. For instance, who five years ago would have named Hayes as a probable future occupant of the Mansion House, Washington.

Three Artillerymen Drowned.

On Sunday last while the wind was blowing strongly and a heavy sea rolling in, four artillerymen of No. 2 Battery, 10th Brigade, started in a rowboat from George's Island, Halifax, to go to Fort Clarence. When about midway between the Island and the fort, and while the boat was laboring with the sea which was heaviest at this point, some unskillfulness in handling the craft caused her to ship water. The occupants becoming excited, got confused in their actions, and a moment had hardly passed before the boat capsized and the men were in the water struggling for their lives. Three of them, Jas. Payne, T. O'Neill, and —Melish, sank from sight almost immediately, but Melish, the only one of the four who could not swim grasped the boat and succeeded in retaining his hold until assistance arrived and he was rescued. One of the bodies was recovered. The men were all well liked in the battery and many a comrade will sorrow at their sad end.—*He. Herald.*

A SENSATION AT SHEDIAC.—The Moncton Times says: "A sewing machine repairer created a sensation about Shediac last week. He is alleged to have declared himself to be the missing link in the McCarthy-Osborne case, the 'midnight visitor.'" He says that McCarthy was killed near the pump in the Waverley House yard, by a blow over the eye from a dead end. He does not say who struck the blow, but intimates that Annie Parker was present. In personal appearance, the man is said to somewhat resemble the description given by Parker of the midnight visitor, but of course all the probabilities are against the man's claims.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

THURSDAY..... APRIL 8, 1880.
SUN RISES..... 5.30 | HIGH WATER 10.9. pm
SUN SETS..... 6.33 | FULL MOON 24, 6.37. 6m

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

Toronto, April 7.

Fresh to brisk winds, cloudy to partly cloudy, cold weather, with snow areas.

The stable of Mr. Robert Bonner, proprietor of the New York Ledger, is built and kept on the most improved and modern plan, both as regards ventilation, light, warmth, etc. Mr. Bonner's taste for horses is well known. The gentleman in charge of this valuable stable was Mr. Ross. By the use of Giles' Liniment Iodine Ammonia, he removed ringbones and bunches that had resisted all other treatment. Send for circulars, giving full instructions, to Dr. Giles, 120 West Broadway, N. Y. Giles pills cure neuralgia. Sold by W. R. Watson.

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Feb. 18, 1880—tf

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THOS. W. DODD.
March 3, 1880—pat oaw

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The section will extend from the end of the 48th Contract—near the western boundary of Manitoba—to a point on the west side of the valley of Bird-Tail Creek.

Tenders must be on the printed form, which, with all other information, may be had at the Pacific Railway Engineer's Offices, in Ottawa, and Winnipeg, on and after the 1st day of March next.

By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, Ottawa, 11th February 1880.

The reception of the above Tenders is postponed until noon on FRIDAY, 9th April next. By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, Ottawa, 22nd March, 1880. } m30, 2aw tl } 9th April

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