A Bachelor's Dinner.

Nellie and his mother listened to an exaggerated account of Aleck's expe

"Aleck," said Mrs. Hastings, with a rience, and laughed heartily, as May troubled look on her face, "do you tried to describe his appearance at the think you could get your own dinner to- door. "I thought at first it was a ghost, day? Bridget has gone to spend this but caught a glimpse of his patent day with her sick cousin, while Nellie leather boots, and this convinced me of and I are obliged to go down to Mrs. my error, and I boldly entered." Sommer's, as it is her last day at Beak-Sommer's, as it is her last day at Beak-grove. It is a long drive, and we shall May has been Aleck's happy wife, but not be home until evening. I don't like she often laughs at the remembrance of to leave the house entirely alone, or I Aleck's dinner. would rather you would dine at the restaurant.

"Don't worry, mother," he said gaily,

"I prefer getting my dinner, and I fancy I can do it in such a manner as would tists that fish as a brain food stands at make Bridget blush for her calling. I'll the head of the list. This is evidently manage, never fear. Why, it is just the true, for we know a man, says the Norristown Herald, who eats fish seven easiest thing in the world. All you have to do is to consult with a recipe times a week, and his forehead commences to slope off at the evebrows, and book, and work by rule." he always signs his name with an "X."

With a doubtful smile, Mrs. Hastings But perhaps he doesn't select the right kind of fish. There are men of many left the room, and it was not long ere he heard them away. "Alone, am I ?" he soliloquized. minds, and many fish of many kinds-

therefore, there must be a fish adapted suppose I might as well commence, then. What o'clock ? Well, allowing to each particular mind. For instance for my inexperience, I can have it ready by 12 o'clock, I'm certain."

Rummaging the pantry, he found the recipe book, and it was at least half an hour before ue could make up his mind what to have.

"I'll have warm biscuit for one thing guess I'll make them first;" and, throwing off his coat, he pinned a sheet in front, rolled up his sleeves, and was ready to begin.

"Flour," he said, reading from the book. "There it is. Getting rather low, I guess, he muttered, as his disappeared in the barrel. When he emerged he looked as though twenty years had been added to his life.

"Saleratus," he added, scanning the book. "What is that? It must be that white stuff in the bottle. I will put in a double dose of it so as to make them extra light; for Bridget's biscuits are always a trifle too heavy.'

They were soon ready and placed into the oven.

"I'll get everything ready first, and then build such a roaring fire as will cook it in a short time," priding himself on his forethought. "What next !" At this moment a little boy appeared

at the kitchen door. "Here's a fish that was ordered yesterday," said the grinning urchin. "Is it fresh ?" asked Aleck.

"Yes, caught this morning," replied

male partner should not be permitted to the boy, running off. "This is an unexpected addition," he eat the "father-lasher." If a diet of either of the fishes' does not increase

murmured., "I'll fry it;" and dashing water upon it, he placed it'in a pan with a huge lump of butter, and put it on the stove. "That's ready. Now I sup-pose I must have a pudding of some kind. Here is one-rice pudding. That looks easy, and I remember now that I OLDEN-TIME MOLIDAYS.

about everything that used to happen to you, and everybody else. Did your teacher keep you in at recess if you whispered? and did she scold you if yon got ink on your fingers? and wouldn't she let you do as you wanted to? My as the law directs, going through the see a young man, armed and equipped as the law directs, going through the see a young through the see a young man, armed and equipped as the law directs, going through the see a young through the see a young man, armed and equipped as the law directs, going through the see a young through the see a young man, armed and equipped as the law directs, going through the see a young man, armed and equipped as the law directs are some of the pictures that hang on memory's wall to-night." teacher won't let me do anything I want to, and I know how I'll pay her off; I'll of a very warlike fife and drum, which

just write her name on a piece of brown the same persons had played since the paper and put it in the cider barrel, and memory of the oldest townsman.

what sharp vinegar it makes." respite until the general muster, when "Yes, I'll tell you all about those days. infantry, artillery and cavalry joined in In those good old times girls and boys a celebration. The day was appointed learned to work when out of school, and several weeks beforehand. The day behaving only a few months of school dur- fore the celebration people were putting ing the year, with some exceptions the time was well improved. I distinctly all through the night people came to remember when I used to rise, by know- the grounds. At early dawn the farming the precise locality of the morning ers around the country came with wagstar, at an early hour, and after complet² ons loaded with honey, sweet eider, ing a certain task, would take my little 'summer sweetings,' pies, cakes, roasted brothers and trudge away to school as meats and whatever might serve for a eagerly as if some great event were to dinner, and having taken the tailboard appen on reaching there. I can see of the wagon and put it across two barnow the little hole in the master's coat, rels, peddled their stock to the hungry ust were a button was gone from the crowd. All was bustle, hurry and conback, and through which it seemed to fusion. There were bakers offering me the master was always looking. We their ginger bread in sharp voices, ped-had no fine school houses, as you have dlers their wares, men and boys who now, and a blackboard had never been sold everything, from Brandeth's pills to dreamed of. It would in those days an accordion, and fiddlers who had put dreamed of. It would in those days have been called foolish. The school houses were often made of hewn logs. Many were frame buildings and the Many were frame buildings and the sides of the school room were covered in a distant part of the field being over, when the colt is permitted to suck occawith ceiling instead of plastering. Often the sham fight closed the day's excitethere was a stove and fireplace in the ment. As the evening air grew chill, school room, both being required in the many a tired child, who had run away Winter to keep the temperature at the proper degree for health and comfort. There was always in Winter a cheerful when it was known next morning that blazing fire of birch and maple, with a the school-master was at the muster, all few sticks of green beech on the top to the truants were shielded and muster make the wood last well. In the Sum- day declared a jolly time.

mer the fireplace was filled with cedar, The next holiday to look forward to mer the fireplace was filled with cedar, pine and fir boughs, which gave a fra-was Thanksgiving. Of course, the ponds If the foal is young, or in thin flesh, it pony. That's the old mare in the corgrance and freshness quite pleasant, and were frozen, and the smooth ice covered desk was in the center of the room. relation to her would cut a withe of alder Rows of desks, on whose sides the partly or birch, and giving her one end twisted carved figures showed where strug- into a handle to hold on by, he would gling genius had been stifled at its birth draw her about on the ice until she tired; by the rod or ferule, stretched on either then another would take a turn, and so side and extended to the back seat, on. In this way the day passed until which went nearly around the room. To dinner time came. Then the tables were occupy a desk in front of this seat was our only ambition-those seats were al-had to wait, and with appetites sharp-

ways occupied by the best scholars. In the window with a pen-by rapping on the window with a pen-knife. In the Winter a master called us together by rapping on the window with a ferule. We wore no sashes and knew and nice sweet cider to finish off nothing of crimped hair. Jewelry was unknown and silver watches only for mature years; but, dressed in plain homemade clothes—which served the first year for special occasions and the second for school wear—we enjoyed the second for school wear-we enjoyed the forgotten to say that there was a 'meetthan cow's milk. sports of childhood without fashionable ing' in the forenoon, to which all the

When the militis laws were in force, all great deal of talking during recess, and] "Oh, grandmother, do tell us of the one years, were obliged to be mustered girls, and a great deal of wishing that 1856. time when you went to school, and all in, have a uniform with a great deal of singing school was every night of the

presents he has." Oh, no, darling, that cannot be, Në more Christmas presents for me; Once I loved them as well as you— Then I had brothers, and sisters too.

she'll see when she comes to our house After the May training there was a

No more sorrow, no more strife For the Christmas tree's the tree of life; To-night I expect the Angel to come To take me to them in their Heavenly home.

refreshing to those who gathered daily with lively skaters (boys and girls.) If a milk, and nothing can be found that within its dusty walls. The teacher's girl could not skate, a boy who was no will so completely supply the place of ways occupied by the best scholars. In ened by active sport we ate turkey, first, until the foal is accustomed to



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NEWS NOTES.

ing the postscript "burn them

There was John and Jacob, Henry and Bea, All of them lived to be sged men; But they now, with my sisters three, Are over the river, waiting for me. Oliver Chilled Plow, the only chilled plow that has proved of any value. Beware of spurious imitations Superior Grain Drills and Superior Broad Cast Seeders, latest improved and unequaled. Monitor Broad Cast Seeders, latest improved. My soul is happy, for its eyes can see Them gathered around a Christmas tr No more sickness, no more pain— They all look like children again. Garden City Sulky Plow, too well known to need comment. Evans' Sulky Plow, which has taken first premium at Oregon State Fair for last four years. Bayliss Wneeled Harrow, the only successful wheel harrow yet introduced. Pacific Fan Mill. the only mill in market that will clean wheat perfectly and take out all the wild oats, cockle, etc., etc.,

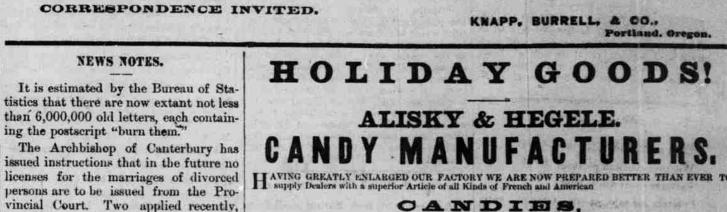
Weaning Colts.

Halter the colt in a stall adjoining the dam, with the partition so open that they are in plain view of each other. Reduce the food of the mare to a very small ration of dry oats and hay. When her udder becomes so full as to cause her uneasiness, draw off a part of the milk, but be careful not to milk her clean. This first milking may be done by the colt itself, but afterward it should slonally. After the milk has entirely dried up, the mare and her foal may be separated, and she may safely be turned | fused. out to grass.

English midnight conversation-"Aw-In the meantime great care must be ful jolly party ! Rather a baw, I think. taken with the food of the colt. If it Deuced fine woman talking to Brown ! has been properly treated it has already Immense ! grooms her head well. Nice learned to 'eat heartily, and the food little filly next her. Yaas ! good form. should be of such a character as to sup- Awful hass, that Tompkins ! Dreadful !

may be easily taught to drink cow's ner. Frightful !" And so on to "Awmilk, and nothing can be found that fully ta ta ? Boston policemen are compelled to

the milk from its own dam, of which it wear leather collars, the intention being is now deprived. Indeed, it will be to make them hold up their heads in a well in all cases where, from lack of soldierly manner, but the leather rubs quantity or quality in the milk of the their chins, and the constraint grows exdom, or from lack of good pasture, the ceedingly tirescme after a few hours. foal in low flesh, to early supply the de The policemen complain loudly, but the ficiency with a good allowance of cow's commissioners say that something is milk, in addition to what it gets from necessary as a check on the tendency to the dam. New milk should be used at slovenliness.



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CANDIES.

one being s divorced person, to the Also offer them a large stock of Christmas Goods, such as Sugar Toys, Glazed Toys, Fancy Gilt Hearts, Tree Or naments, Fancy Paper boxes, Christmas Tree Candles, Glass Balls, Cornucopias, Imitations of Animals, etc., for selection. Send for our catalogues and price list for 1878-79. Rochester Diocesan Court, and were re-



Fish as Brain Food. The theory obtains among many scien-

For the schoolmaster we should pre

scribe whale, and for his pupils blubber.

For the soldier-Sword-fish and pike.

For the office-seeker-Plaice.

For a house painter-Graining.

For a blacksmith-Bellows-fish.

For a smoker-Pipe-fish and whiff.

For idiots who cross the ocean in

For a sculptor-Sculpin', of course.

For Vanderbilt's lawyers-Shark.

For quartz miners-Rockcod.

For a sea captain-Skipper.

For a bricklayer-Salmon.

For a Limburger cheese manufacturer

For persons who patronize lotteries-

For mine superintendent-Silver eels.

The son who attempts to thrash his

the quantity of "gray matter," a hole

might be drilled in the skull and a fish

Rules in Point.

Rules for speaking through the tele-

of a minstrel

For the critic-Carp.

For a shoemaker-Sole.

For a poor artist Da'b.

For misers-Schrimp.

roupe-Black bass.

For the basso singer

For dwarfs-Minnows.

For old topers-Suckers.

For archers-Archer-fish

For pilots-Pilot-fish.

For skaters-Skate-fish

For hunters-Hound-fish

called the "whiting" inserted.

For drummers-Drum-fish

For lean persons-Chub.

mall boat-Doree.

-Smelt.

Gudgeons.

For a carpenter-Saw-fish.

upset a paper of rice while searching for the saleratus. Two cups of rice," he measuring; there is not much more than sation, and creates startling effects. that in the paper; I'll put it right in," and suiting the action to the word, he soon concocted a peculiar looking mix-"I don't care for a variety to-day," h remarked, and proceeded to build a fire. "Now," he exclaimed, "I'll arrange the table for dinner."

He was just instituting a vigorous search for the tablecloth, when he was startled by a ring at the door-bell.

Forgetting this appearance he opened the door and encountered a young lady it is a wonderful invention, and under whose blue eyes were sparkling with mirth.

Entering unceremoniously, she said, "I am Mary Carroll, and have come to her believe you do not know it, or else make Nellie Hastings a visit, and do not let her know you are gentleman. thought I would surprise her. Are you These women are very sharp. Then say not her brother Aleck ?" she asked, and strange things to her and smile again. finding it impossible to control her mirth, she burst into a ringing laugh, in which Aleck was forced to join, for he had caught a glimpse of himself in the looking-glass as he ushered her into the family sitting room. The sheet, extending from his neck to the tips of his toes, his venerable-looking head; all was enough to excite laughter, and, after having recovered from his sudden sur den surprise, he soon informed her of the whole state of affairs.

"I will assist you," she said, still laughing. "I will arrange the room make yourself presentable.'

Aleck, after laying aside the sheet, and brushing the flour from his hair, went out to see how his dinner was prohim as he entered the room. "What does this mean ?" he exclaimed, and stood gazing on the scene.

The stove was covered with a curious

crisp. Making a dive for the kettle, he sucsuddenly, it rolled on the floor, while he executed a war dance around it, occa sioned by the pain in his hand.

Returning to the sitting-room, May proceeded to dress the injured hand, and succeeded in allaying the pain.

"I have some biscuits in the oven," he said. "I think they must be done by this time."

"Lie down on the sofa, and I will returned, bearing on a plate something that resembled lumps of putty. Breaking one of them open and tasting it, she made a wry face. "You forgot to put the saleratus in, didn't you ?"

"No," he said, "I put lots in-nearly half the bottle.' "This ?" she asked, opening the bottle

and tasting it. "Yes."

"It is cream tartar," she replied laugh ing. "Never mind; perhaps I can find she soon returned, bringing sundry dishes of cold edibles.

Aleck.

said slowly. "But what is the use in between sentences; it varies the conver-1. Take a chew of tobacco and spit 2. Throw your head back, and if possible let your throat gurgle. ture, under the head of "rice pudding." how-de-doo-it's funny, and proves that 3. Commence by laughing and saying you are perfectly familiar with the instrument.

> 4. Smile all the time you are talking: it makes it more pleasant for the person you are talking to, for, of course, he can see that your mouth is open.

5. Don't forget to mention, after you get through with the inistrument, that no circumstances allow yourself to forget to ask "What next ?"

6. If you are talking to a lady make 7. Swear all you can. 8. Hum a tune.

9. Whistle. 10. Chuckle.

THE TRUE GIRL .- The true girl has to be sought for, says Oliver Wendell to show goods. She is not fashionable. Generally, she is not rich. But, oh ! gain her love your two thousand are mil- as large as a trundle bed.

lions. She'll not ask you for a carriage while you look after the dinner and or a first-class house. She'll wear sim-

thing neat and nice in your sky parlor,

sensible way.

A SPLENDID YOUNG INDIAN .- At the meeting of the Indian Commissioners in San Francisco recently, and before Senator Saunders, Goy, McCormick of Col orado, Gov. Hovt of Idaho (late of Arisee about them," she said. She soon zona), and a large number of ladies and gentlemen. "Otto" was introduced by

> Capt. McDonald, who, with his charge, appeared by invitation. The young Indian was attired in grand costume, and, when stripped for action, was conceded to be by the whole assemblage the finest

specimen of Indian beauty that they had ever seen, although representatives from every part of the country had been

before them. The boy is built like a gladiator, and, although but 12 years of age, seemed a man in proportion. In something we can eat; and disappearing, going through his exercises, the physical endurance displayed was marvelous. The applause was constant, and the

"Is the fish entirely spoiled ?" asked

restraint. The same style and material parents of the neighborhood went and of boots worn by boys were equally as the unmarried women who were too old serviceable for girls; and when clad in to skate, and the young men (bachelors) this substantial manner we could steer a who had outgrown the sports of boyhood sled in coasting, skate on the pond, wade and remained single of sheer neglect, all through the snow, dodge scarlet fever, found much to be thankful for, and, acmanage to have the whooping cough in the Spring, measles in the Summer, and thanked God with their whole hearts for never thought or heard of diphtheria all his mercies.

until two or three generations after- Although we had enjoyed Thanksgivward. Brimstone and treacle was more ing, we were no less prepared for Christa necessity than when administered at mas festivities. Christmas was the Dotheboys' Hall, but the constant use of crowning glory of all our holidays. We matches has long ago done away with selected a tree the Summer before, when that luxury. Every well regulated fam- we went after raspberries in the pasture.

ily kept a substantial, fine, ivory tooth It was tall, graceful, full of little needle tassels that are found on the fir trees of

The boys wore home made clothes, New England. It was carefully taken too. Their pants were tied down around their ankles with a strong cord in Win-berries, and covered with little tallow their ankles with a strong cord in win-ter. Their ears were muffled in com-forters; their hands, covered with mit-tens, knit in fox and geese patterns, cr striped, gave their whole make up a very comfortable appearance, with little attempt at style. The accomplishments of those days were few, the industrial for the boys; woolen stockings, soft and Holmes. She does not parade herself arts many. I well remember when the warm, for the girls, and soft, white mitfirst piano was brought into town. I tens to wear to school; caps, stocks, met a woman who had been the first to bright silk handkerchiefs, silver bowed

what a heart she has when you find her ! see it, and eagerly sought a description. spectacles, etc., for the 'old folks;' a so large and pure and womanly. If you She said it was as high as a table and whistle and rattle for the baby, and some nice things for the poor neighbors,

The school committee were chosen who were invited in because they were of the comedies and novels; the uncle every Spring. They always examined not able to get one of their own-to say the typical uncle. The former get himple dresses, and turn them when neces- the candidates for teacher, and if they nothing of the jack-in-a-box, that was self into debt; the latter had to help sary, with no vulgar magnificat to frown understood arithmetic (particularly the opened by every new comer. Then came him out of his debt.

upon her economy. She'll keep every- rule of three) grammar, geography, the Christmas dinner-chicken pie, plum | But the most long-suffering of men at reading and spelling, they received a pudding, etc., and a saucer pie for each last lose patience, and one fine day the gressing. An unsavory odor assailed and give you such a welcome when you certificate, and being duly installed, en- of the children. Then came a candy uncle writes to his dear nephew that all come home that you'll think your parlor tered upon their duties. The committee pulling in the evening; and thus went is over between them. Not another higher than ever. She'll entertain true usually visited the school the first and Christmas, where so many other Christ- penny.

May, who had followed him to ascertain friends on a dollar, and astonish you last weeks of the term. They would mas days have gone-into memory's The nephew flies down to his uncle's the whereabouts of some needed article, with the new thought how little happi- listen to the recitations and make a little treasure box.

We always enjoyed the time when relative's gouty feet. ness depends on money. She'll make speech before leaving, brimfull of good you love home-if you don't you're a advice. When they left, the scholars the teacher boarded with us. Parents "Uncle Peter, dear Uncle Peter, just mixture, which he at once recognized as brute-and teach you to pity, while you would rise and remain standing till the gave the board in proportion to the this once. Aid me to straighten out his pudding; the fish was burned to a scorn a poor, fashionable society that committee had bowed themselves out, number of scholars they sent to school. this snarl in my finances and I will

thinks itself rich, and vainly tries to Reading and spelling received particular If a woman had made mince pies, or never, never, come to you again." Making a dive for the kettle, he suc-ceeded in grasping it, but, dropping it but, dropping it pray you, say any more "I can't mar and arithmetic were assailed at tened a turkey, they were sure to come My sister's son-my only sister's son,"

afford to marry." Go, find the true every point. Pope's Essay on Man and on the table while the master or mis- says the old man, wiping away a fur woman, and you can. Throw away that Milton's Paradise Lost were used as tress boarded with us. The spare room tive tear. -which usually contained a bed, bu-"Ah, y sible yourself, and seek your wife in a for the smaller ones the grammar fur- reau, some wooden chairs, a light stand

nished the material. The different over which was a looking glass with a tenses were represented by the picture carved frame and gilt eagle just in the

of a man in the act of striking a dog; center at the top; a mat before the fire-but the master often illustrated what place and one at the side of the bed, as was necessary for present and future witnesses of the industry of the housetime so forcibly that no reference to a hold; a patchwork quilt of bright colors, book was necessary. Discipline was a giving a cheerful aspect to the bed-was great part of the master's duty. "Spare the sacred place where all the little the rod and spoil the child" was so often keepsakes were arranged on the mantel quoted that it seemed to be the thread of the bureau, the Bible always forming that bound together school and family. the prominent feature in the collection, School was in session every day of between whose lids were noted the time the week except Saturday afternoon and when little strangers entered the house-Sunday. Who that was raised in New hold and when angels bore them away-England can ever forget the games of all these mementoes were dusted and "I spy" and "tag" in the barn on Satur- the room set in order for the teacher. day afternoon, jumping from high beams and falling on the hay, hunting eggs. had been thanked for his mercies, the etc? And when we were a little wicked house dog was on his mat by the door, we sometimes did it on Sunday, for the cat curled up in the corner, the far-Sunday was the hardest day of all the mer had foddered his cattle; all was cubic feet."

week to wear away. We always took a quiet and the household separated for late breakfast on baked beans, brown the night. Early in the morning the

BRAZILIAN INDIAN MOTHERS. --- The Oats, ground or unground, constitute work among the Indians is done almost the best grain food for a colt. We pre- entirely by the women, who start out fer to have them ground, and, as cold early in the morning with their babes weather approaches, about one-fourth in astride their hips, baskets balanced on weight of cornmeal may profitably be their heads, and puffing like a diminuadded, as it helps to lay on fat and tive steam engine from small clay pipes. keeps up the animal heat. A little oil- The walk is often three or four miles, meal, say a pint a day, may also be profitably given with the oats for some time after weaning. Don't be afraid of

feeding too liberally. More colts are implements and methods are crude, and, injured the first six months after wean- like true Indians in a natural state, they ng by too scanty a supply of food than are but repetitions of their progenitors.

from any other cause. The custom above mentioned of carry As soon as the mare and foal can be ing babes on their hip is as peculiar as

separated, the foal should have, if possi- it is ungraceful. The body is thrown ble, the run of a good pasture, as there much to one side, as in the act of carryis no food better than grass, no medicine ing a heavy weight in the right hand. so good as exercise, and no exercise so For instance, the child sits astride the profitable to young animals as when left hip, one leg dangling in front, the taken just when they feel like it. A other behind, and supported by the engood warm should always be accessible, circling left arm. A more uncomfortaso that they may be protected from storms. The idea that "roughing it" ble looking method could not be devised, and yet the journey to and from the the first Winter makes a colt more mandioca plantation is always made in this way, a baby being the proverbial "hardy" is all nonsense. The true theory is plenty of food, abundant exeraccompaniment of the househeld

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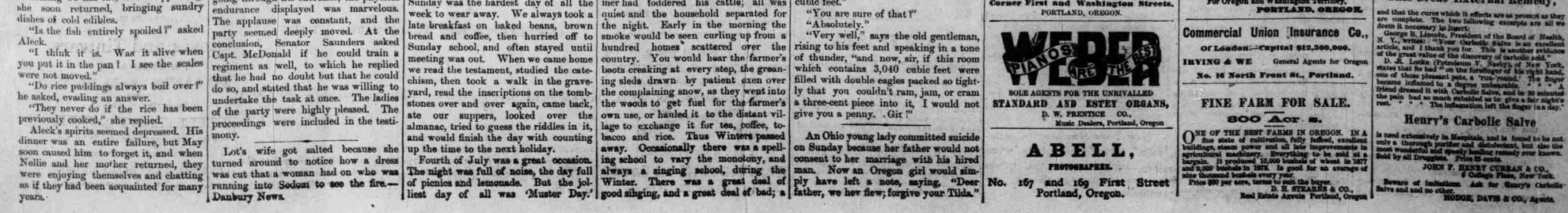
arpenter. "Go and find one immediately." The young man, puzzled, but hopeful,

goes, and at the end of half an hour re turns and says : "Uncle, dear uncle, here is the foot

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"have you a rule ?"

"A rule-a foot-rule."

"A which ?"

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