

THE APPETIZING OLIVE.

Various Uses of the Oil of This Peculiar Fruit.

Though a native of Syria and possibly of southern Greece, the olive flourishes anywhere in a mild climate. Western Asia, southern Europe, northern Africa, southern England, South America, Mexico—in all these places the olive grows readily, taking on an average seven years before it attains bearing power. Two hundred years ago it was introduced into California by Catholic priests from Mexico and there it has thrived mightily. In South Carolina it is hardy and fruitful, but unfortunately the crop matures there just when all labor is needed in the cotton fields.

The fruit is too bitter unless pickled. Ranging in size from an acorn to a large plum, it is gathered green and placed in a strong solution of potash or lye of wood ashes. When the olives change color this denotes that the potash has struck through to the stone and they are then placed in water, renewed several times a day for five days. A brine of purest salt, with spices, cloves, cinnamon, etc., boiled a few minutes and strained, to which when cold an equal amount of water is added, is then poured over the olives and they are sealed up in bottles or jars.

The olive oil of commerce, on the contrary, is made from the ripe fruit, which is dark purple in color, like a Damson plum. The finest quality of this comes from the fruit that has just begun to ripen, but this does not yield nearly so much. The pulp of the dead-ripe fruit gives seventy per cent. oil. The finest quality has a faint, greenish hue, a faint, rather pleasing smell and a faintly pungent taste. It is chiefly exported from Italy and France, in the respective ratio of about five gallons to one.

The amount of adulteration, generally harmless, in this article is very great. Not long ago the chamber of commerce at Nice offered three thousand dollars reward for an invention that would readily detect this adulteration. The California oil is absolutely pure but high in price and small in the quantity produced. In many places among the Latin races this oil is a substitute for butter on bread and in cooking. Like other oils it is highly nutritious, but it requires a strong digestion. It is also used in medicine as a laxative, one or two fluid ounces being the dose.

For the making of liniments, ointments and plasters it is highly prized, and likewise as a basis for the best soaps—those of Castile, Marseilles and Venice. This oil was rubbed on the wrestlers of Greece, and probably, with a mixture of perfume, would be a valuable hygienic addition to the Turkish bath. The olive, so the Greeks and Romans thought, possessed an edible trinity of virtues. They believed that it excited an appetite for wine, improved the flavor of it and at the same time had a steadying effect—that is, enabled a man to drink with impunity from an overflow of ideas.—Chicago News.

SAWED A SALOON IN TWO.

Staddling a State Line, It Made a Lot of Trouble.

Bill Lewis, one of the first to settle in Kansas City, and one of the wickedest men that ever lived there, died a few days ago, says a western exchange. Since 1895 he has been known as the king of Toad-a-Loup, a district which harbored about all the known criminals in town. The saloon he kept in Toad-a-Loup was hardly less notorious than himself. It was built exactly on the state line between Kansas and Missouri and was furnished with a movable bar. Lewis paid no license, and when the Missouri tax collector called upon him he moved his bar over in Kansas. When the authorities of the latter state attempted to arrest him he transferred his business in a minute to Missouri. He was arrested many times, but had to be released. Concerted action on the part of the authorities of both states finally ended the career of Lewis' barroom in Toad-a-Loup. The direction of the state line was chalked off on the saloon and the structure was sawed in two from roof to cellar with an immense cross-cut saw.

HE KNEW A TENDERFOOT.

A Jerseyman's Exciting Experience with a Pennsylvania Mine Mule.

Patrick Murray, of Perth Amboy, N. J., had an exciting experience a few days ago with a mine mule at Summit Hill, Pa., which he will never forget, says the New York Post. When he reached the bottom of the slope and proceeded to explore the gangway he attracted the attention of one of the mules. He is at a loss to know what angered the animal, but the beast came for him at full speed, and Murray started for a "heading" with nothing but the light of a miner's lamp to guide him.

It was a race for life. The mule was rapidly closing the gap, when the Jerseyman reached two mine cars. He plunged between them. The mule counter-marched and began using his hind feet with terrible effect. He kicked the stout oak planks of the car into kindling wood, and while he was occupied in this manner Murray made his escape and returned to the surface. He is fully satisfied that the mine mule is not to be trifled with, especially if you are a tenderfoot with a red necktie.

Something She Could Paint.

Mme. d'Albertin, one of the lesser painters of France, was as conceited about her artistic ability as she was notorious for her excessive use of cosmetics. On one occasion, a certain count, who held her in much disesteem, lost a bet to her. "And what will madame choose?" he asked, with mock courtesy. "Something in my art," she simpered, "something I can paint." "Very well, madame," he replied, bowing himself out. A day later madame received a package from the count, which, upon being opened, revealed a life-size drawing of her own face in outline.

AN ALL-NIGHT TOWN.

The Stores of Hamburg Are Open Every Hour in the Twenty-Four.

Hamburg may be suitably described as an all-night town. The cafes and beer saloons do not shut until two in the morning, while some of them, by paying an additional license, are allowed to remain open all day and all night. Many of the shops never close. At three a. m. the tobacconists are still open, and at this hour there are several shops at which you can procure hot refreshments—sausages, so dear to the German inner man, and the like. At various points men station themselves throughout the night with the little stoves on which they fry pork sausages. One may often see swell folk, ladies included, chatting with these itinerant vendors, and regaling themselves with a somewhat odoriferous sausage at three o'clock in the morning. The bakers' shops seem to be always open, says a writer in Pearson's Weekly. I visited one of the largest cafes at Hamburg at the unearthly hour of three-thirty in the morning and there found about three hundred respectable people calmly drinking their coffee as if it were broad daylight. There was not a single vacant table. Remember, it was not a night club, but an orderly cafe, where no unseemly scenes are permitted. There are some curious restrictions regarding the opening of shops on Sundays in Hamburg. After two-thirty o'clock a tobacconist may only sell one cigar to one person; should you require half a dozen smokes you have to visit half a dozen shops or take five friends with you to one establishment and each of you buy one cigar. There is a heavy penalty for breaching this rule. With the exception of the restaurants and tobacconists, only the dried fish shops are to be seen open after two-thirty o'clock. As the clock strikes midnight on Sunday hundreds of shops are immediately opened, and a brisk trade ensues. Between midnight on Sunday and two o'clock on Monday morning many tradesmen do their best business of the week, notwithstanding the fact that at this hour nothing that cannot be bought at any other time is really required.

PAPER CARPETS ARE COMING.

They Will Be Welcome in a Land Where Dust and Moth Prevail.

We have had a great variety of carpet materials, first and last, and a good many uses have been made of paper, but the two have never before been identified. Now, however, we are informed that carpets are being made of paper, and the following description of the process is made public:

The stock used must be of long fiber, says the Paper World, in order to give strength to the paper. All such as are to be colored must be dyed in the pulp to obtain uniform color throughout. Colors must be fast.

Every lot of the same color must match to shade, as it cannot be changed when once done. The paper must be of uniform thickness throughout the width and length of the roll. For though color may be right, coarse yarn will not shade alike. As the yarn is twisted on a long frame, the utmost cleanliness must be observed not to stain the yarn with oil or dirty fingers, for, unlike the other yarn, it is not cleansed, hence, if dirty and not discovered by subsequent handling, it goes into the carpet and to the consumer. . . . When the rolls of cut paper are the desired height, the shaft is taken out, the nut removed and the shaft drawn out, leaving the paper, each strip with its ring to be separated from the other by a knife for that purpose. After separation these little rolls are soaked in water until thoroughly impregnated, then taken out and left to drain, when it is ready for the spinning frame, and it is twisted like any other yarn. The yarn is then dried, wound into cops, and is then ready for the loom.

Had Faith in His Watch.

The pride which a man takes in a good watch rarely is carried to the limit reached by a Chicagoan who has come to the notice of the Record. He was a man who had faith in his watch. This was partly because he had paid a large sum for it and partly because he was a man who believed that things which belonged to him must be good because they did belong to him. His friends joked him about his faith, but he remained firm. When he went to take the train from his suburban home in the morning he did it by his watch, and when he left the big station downtown in the morning he compared it with the great clock in the tower to see if the tower clock was right. When the train pulled into the station one morning the other passengers got up to leave the car, but the man remained seated. "What's the matter, Mason?" said one of his friends. "Aren't you going to get off?" "No, sir," said Mason, consulting his timepiece. "I'm not—not until we arrive, at least. This train doesn't get into the city until 8:16, and by my watch it's only 8:12."

The Speedy Moose.

To one who knows nothing of big game, it is amazing to see how fast a moose can run, his stride being much longer than a horse. A light freight train was running on the Northern Pacific, in the upper part of Minnesota, when the engineer saw a big moose standing directly on the track, and as soon as the animal saw the engine he took to his heels down the track. There was a perfectly straight run for four miles, and the engineer determined to test the speed of the moose, of which he had frequently heard. At first the gait of the moose was a sort of trot, and even when the engine gained speed the animal did not seem to exert itself. Faster and faster sped the engine, but still the moose trotted ahead, and all the power of steam could not prevail over this monarch of the forest. At last, after covering four miles and turning a curve, they came upon a gang of section hands, and the victorious moose leaped the tracks and was lost to view in the forest.

A Secret.

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"No, thank you, I've got some of my own, said little Tommy, politely, as the contribution-box passed in front of him on the occasion of his first visit to church.—Chicago Tribune.

Carlton Cornwell, foreman of the Gazette, Middleton, N. J., believes that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy should be in every home. He used it for a cold and it effected a speedy cure. He says: "It is indeed a grand remedy. I can recommend to all. I have also seen it used for whooping cough, with the best results." 50 cent bottles for sale by Blakeley & Houghton Druggists.

Bad literature seems to have had its effect upon three boys of McMinnville. They had blankets and food prepared for leaving by boat via Dayton, Sunday morning, for an indefinite career as a new "James boys" combination. The father of one of the boys unearthed the plot, and the grub and blankets, and the youngsters are still at home.

W. A. Clark, the Montana mine owner, is building a million-dollar palace in New York. His fortune is estimated at from \$20,000,000 to \$40,000,000. Thirty years ago Mr. Clark arrived in Montana with a pick on his shoulder.

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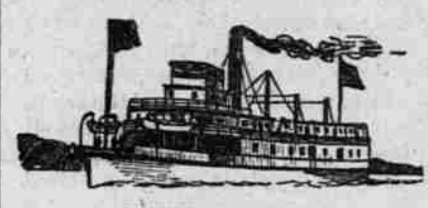
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