

JAWBONES OF A WHALE.

The Farm the "Jonah Gate," a Queer Feature of Block Island.

The "Jonah gate" is the most remarkable feature of Block Island. It stands at what was intended to be the principal entrance to the old Payne farmstead. It has been there nearly half a century and is composed of the two jawbones of the biggest whale that ever was captured in the waters about Block Island.

One day in the long ago seven Block Islanders were out swordfishing. The swordfish is hunted with harpoons and tackle much the same as the whale. Well out at sea this little crew saw the spouting of a big whale and gave chase. All of them were old time whalers and had played the game from Block Island far up to the icy seas beyond the polar circle. They crept up on the leviathan and so calculated their approach that when he rose to blow again the fountain of water spouted hardly a boat's length away. Two harpoons were planted, and the whale bounded—sank deep in the water and tried to run away and rid himself of the big bars that were torturing him.

The whaleboat with its crew of seven men sped through the water with the speed of a hydroplane. When the whale rose again a third harpoon gave his deathblow to him. When they towed him to the shore and dragged him where he would be left high and dry at low tide they found that he measured more than a hundred feet in length. It was a good day's work for these fishermen. Each of them made enough money from his share of the whale to keep himself and his family in comfort for a year. They considered themselves lucky and so cut out the two great jawbones. One of the Paynes begged them for a gateway to his farmstead, and they were set up there.

Probably the Block Islanders of those days had heard the story of Jonah and the whale, but had paid scant attention to it. By and by, however, they began to recall that Jonah was an especially unlucky person, or at least his name had become a sailor's synonym for misfortune. So strong did this feeling of distrust of the gate arch over by the whale's jawbones become that they had not been in place two summers before there was not an inhabitant on Block Island who could be persuaded to pass through this "Jonah's gate," as it came to be known. So the owner of the property fastened it up, and it has remained unused from that day to this—New York Press.

The Sign on the Church Door.
"This Door Is Open" is the sensible little sign which appears on a massive door of one of your well known churches," said a visitor to New York. "Now, while many churches in most of our large cities make it a practice nowadays to keep the church open for certain hours each week day, as a matter of fact the stranger often tries one or more of the heavy doors and goes away unable to find just what particular door happens to be open. 'This Door Is Open' settles the whole business. It is simple, sensible and saves a lot of embarrassment and fumbling with heavy doors. It struck me as a notably thoughtful little sign."—New York Sun.

Explained.
"I thought you told me this place was so healthy that nobody ever got here?" objected the prospective purchaser to the real estate agent.

"I did, and I'll stick to it."
"I'll bet you will. You also told me that people in this suburb didn't have to pay grocery bills, because the ground raised their vegetable for the?"

"I told you that too."
"How do you account for the fact that one of your prominent citizens died of starvation yesterday?"
"That was a doctor."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No Objection.
The pale young man with sheepish eyes glanced timidly at his fair companion. They had sat together in the conservatory for fully five minutes and had hardly exchanged a word. At last, in desperation, he dived his hand into his breast pocket and brought out his cigarette case. "Do you mind, Miss Smith, if I smoke?" he asked.
"Not in the least," replied the young lady sweetly, "if you don't think it will make you ill!"—Pittsburg Press.

Maybe He Meant Well.
"How shall I have my photograph taken?"
"I would caution you by all means to keep your feet out of the foreground, my dear."
"No wonder they no longer speak."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

MORE WALKS ORDERED LAID

At the Council meeting this week new side walks were ordered to be put in on the following streets:

On F street from 4th to 5th.
On G street from C to A street on the west side.

E street from 8th to the canal on the north side.

On D street from 8th to the canal, on south side.

On C street 8th to the canal, on north side.

A wire was received from the Irrigation Co. saying they would give the city all the water they wanted; that they would transfer the contract from the Townsite Co. to the city.

The special committee to readjust water rates reported, and the Council fixed a rate of \$2.00 monthly for those who had hydrants, and \$1.50 for those who had to carry water from the well.

An ordinance vacating a number of streets in the city was introduced and read the first time.

About \$500 of bills were passed and allowed.

HOW TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR CREAM

A reliable authority desires to offer a few suggestions which may assist in the production of better cream and consequently, better butter.

The milking is the starting point of most of the trouble with the cream. The remedy naturally suggests itself. Stop the dirt from getting into the milk. This can easily be done by wiping off the udder with a damp cloth and thereby stopping all the coarser particles of dirt from falling into the pail. Also, when the cows are kept in the barn, never feed, or move hay, or clean out the place, or do anything to stir up dust or strong smells just before milking.

The milk should be separated immediately after milking, while it is still warm. Do not use a cloth strainer. It always turns yellow and smells bad after using it a few days, and does vastly more harm than good.

If you have been careful about the dirt not getting into your pail, you need no strainer at all, as the separator will catch all the solid dirt. Also, separate your milk as quickly as possible.

Under no circumstances should you run the fresh, warm cream directly into the can of cold cream. Cool your cream first to the same temperature as the old cream by setting it outside and stirring it frequently.

No vegetables or other produce having strong odors, should be kept in the same room with the cream, or cream separator. At a very slight expense you can build a separator house where you can store your cream cans and pails. This separator house should be 100 feet away from all buildings having objectionable odors, according to the dairy laws of this state. Have plenty of light so as to admit sunshine when wanted, and use plenty of "elbow grease" to keep the house sweet and clean.

Do not feed too heavily such feeds as kale, beets, carrots, etc., as they effect the flavor of your cream. These aromatic feeds should always be fed after milking, not before nor during the milking.

Cows should never be permitted to drink anything but pure, clean flavored water.

The necessary conditions for the production of sanitary cream are: healthy cows, sanitary barns, clean barn yards, clean cows, clean milkers, clean pails and cans, clean and wholesome feed, pure water, clean strainers, dust free stable air, clean bedding, thorough cooling of cream after separating, and sanitary separator room.

Portland butter fat, 37c.
Redmond butter fat, 36c.

A QUESTION WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION

One of the shrewd business men of the city asks the following question, which is well worth more than a passing thought:

"Why send our money away to buy gasoline to generate lights and power when the same money would clear 600 or 700 acres of land every year, and make it possible for the farmer to earn enough money to support his family with groceries until he raises a crop? Our

wood at \$3.50 a cord is as cheap as gasoline, and the money is kept here. We can all afford lots of lights under those conditions, and we can pay for them, too.

OREGON IRRIGATION CONGRESS

Portland, February 19th-21st
\$9.30 Portland Round Trip

For this meeting the OREGON TRUNK RAILWAY will sell round trip tickets from Redmond to Portland February 18th and 19th with return limit of February 23d. at the rate shown above.

This is an important meeting looking toward the further development of the irrigated sections of Oregon, and an interesting program will be presented.

H. BAUKOL,
Agent O. T. Ry., Redmond, Ore.

Knights Pythias Hold Social Session

Monday night the local lodge of K. P.'s held a social session in their lodge room after the regular business of the meeting was over. There were about 80 invited guests, and the evening was pleasantly passed. Refreshments were served during the evening, and the guests all agreed that the Knights were royal entertainers.

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