

A HUMILIATING FAILING.
Discussing the Different Things One Likes to Eat.

Among the many things that are hard to understand is the fancy entertained by so many people, that other people will be interested to hear at considerable length what they like to eat and what they do not like to eat. There seems to be nothing of very great interest to one's friends in the fact that one is passionately fond of cabbage and onions; and yet, next to the weather, the most frequent subject of conversation is probably the subject of eatables.

"If there's anything I like on," said Mrs. Chubb, "it's a nice leg of mutton with a luttler gravy and capers. And I like—"

"But," says Mrs. Scragg, breaking in, "is there anything more horrid than pickled tripe? I can't bear it."

"My favorite sauce," Mrs. Chubb continues, "is fried apple sauce; and scalloped apples I can't get enough of."

"Laws!" exclaims Mrs. Scragg, "you don't say so! No kind of fruit agrees with me. And I don't use how anybody can eat those miserable things they call apples."

"So they go on for an hour. 'Well, I must be going,' says Mrs. Scragg, rising at last. 'We've had a real pleasant time!'"

Throughout the whole interview Mrs. Chubb has been talking about the things she likes, and Mrs. Scragg has been talking about the things she does not like. Each one has been following her own temper; and while she has not been at all interested in what the other has said she has been greatly interested in what she herself has said.

This principle of compromise is generally the basis of these little conversations about food.

"How would it do," said one man to another, when, on a four railway journey, their conversation had lapsed, "to tell each other what we like to eat, and divide the time?"

"Capital!" said the other. "You tell me for ten minutes what you like best, and then I'll call time on you, and tell you what I like."

"And then I begin again in ten minutes more?"

"Certainly."

It was agreed, and for a mortal hour the two men related to each other the smallest details of their very dissimilar food-habits, in ten minute speeches. At the end of that time the party passed through the car and announced that dinner was ready in the dining car.

"Good!" exclaimed one. "I'm so hungry I could eat anything."

"So could I," said the other. "Then they went in and ate exactly the same things which were practically the same that each had eaten the day before—YOUTH'S COMPANION."

UNHORNED CATTLE.

The "Muley Cow" Simply a Freak of Nature.

Everyone is familiar with the animal which, in the country districts of America, is called the "muley cow," or as it is sometimes spelled, the "moozy cow." It is a hybrid animal without horns. Generally she has not lost them, but has never had them. She has the reputation of being a very good milk cow, but particularly ill-natured.

Though at least one "muley cow" may be found in most large herds in a great part of the country, and though polled cattle, as hornless cattle are also called, are sometimes exhibited at fairs, it has never, probably, occurred to anyone until lately that a race of hornless cattle ought to be bred or developed on account of a greater economy in raising and nourishing them.

Such a notion, however, has been touched by an American cattle-raiser. He maintains that, in raising young horned cattle, and, for that matter, in keeping pro-wagon cattle, a considerable share of the nutrient given them goes to their horns.

The same gentleman argues that the horns of domestic cattle are a relic of barbarism—a survival of a means of defense associated with a wild life, and are now in only a negligible need, but positively mischievous. The horned calves of a herd get more and more the weaker ones less than their share of the fodder.

But how are the horns to be got rid of? Regularly cutting off the horns of young cattle will not prevent subsequent generations of young cattle from developing horns as they grow to maturity, any more than the shaving of men's heads for many generations makes men bald.

There is a way, however, in which it could be done. A certain proportion of cattle turn out to be hornless. If only such cattle were used to breed from, undoubtedly a great proportion of their offspring would be hornless, and in the course of time a race of unhorned cattle would be produced, among which, however, individuals with horns would probably be even more common than hornless cattle are now.

Domestication has undoubtedly reduced the size of cattle's horns considerably. Under domestication, the horns are much less used, and consequently are inferior in quality to those of wild animals, and they eventually only by a freak of nature—YOUTH'S COMPANION.

Writing to Please.

"Oh, Marie, Marie," pleaded the pre-pleaser, "why do you use such slang?"

"Why, mamma," explained the girl, "I can't help it. Everybody does, and I am forced to do it in self defense."

"But, my child, you shouldn't do wrong because everybody else does. You shouldn't be a higher and nobler principle than that."

"Well, mamma, I hadn't thought of it just in that way before. I can see now that I have been led unawares into a fault which neither right nor reason can sanction."

"The mother's eyes filled with tears."

"And you will never use slang again?" she said, bending forward and kissing the soft white forehead of her child.

"You bet your sweet life, I won't," exclaimed the impulsive girl, and was silent—DETROIT FREE PRESS.

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