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COURTING DYSPEPSIA.

It was in the Ogden refreshment room, waiting for the train from San Francisco, that I saw a performance that filled me with astonishment and dismay. It was a man eating his dinner. And let me remark here, with all possible courtesy, that the American is the most reprehensible eater I have ever seen. In the first place, the knives are purposely made blunt—the back and front of the blade being often of the same "sharpness"—to enable him to eat gravy with it. The result is that the fork (which ought to be used simply to hold meat steady on the plate while being cut with the knife) has to be used with great force to cut off fragments of food. The object of the two instruments is thus materially abused, for he holds the meat down with the knife and tears it into bits with his fork! Now, reader, don't say no. For I have been studying Americans at their food (all over the west at any rate), and what I saw is strictly correct. This abuse of knife and fork, then, necessitates an extraordinary amount of elbow room, for in forcing apart a tough slice of beef the elbows have to stick out as square as possible, and the consequence is, as the proprietor of a hotel told me, only four Americans can eat in a space in which six Englishmen can dine comfortably. The latter when feeding keep their elbows to their sides; the former square them out on a line with their shoulders, and sit at right angles with their sides. Having thus got the American into a position, watch him consume his food. He has ordered a dozen "portions" of as many eatables, and the whole of his meal, after the filthy fashion of the "eating-houses" at which travelers are fed, is put before him at once. To cut the dozen or so different things he has ordered, he has only one knife and fork and one teaspoon. Bending over the table he sticks his fork into a pickle gherkin, and while munching this casts one rapid hawk-like glance over the spread viands and then proceeds to eat. Mehercule! what a sight it is! He dabs his knife into the gravy of the steak and picks up with his fork a piece of bacon. While the one is going to his mouth the other is searching out something else. He never apparently chews his food, but dabs and pecks at the dishes one after the other with a rapidity which merely as a juggling trick might be performed in London to crowded houses every day, and an impartiality that, considered as "dining," is as savage as any meal of Red Indians or of Basutos. Dab-dab, peck, peck, grunt, growl and snort! The spoon strikes in every now and then, and a quick, sucking-up noise announces the disappearance of a mouthful of huckleberries on the top of a bit of bacon, or a spoonful of custard pie on the heels of a radish. It is perfectly prodigious. It defies coherent description. But how on earth does he swallow it? Every now and then he shuts his eyes and strains his throat. This I suppose is when he swallows, for I have seen children getting rid of cake with the same sort of spasm. Yet the rapidity with which he shovels in his food is a wonder to me, seeing that he has not got any "pouch" like the monkey or the pelican. Does he keep his miscellaneous food in a "crop" like a pigeon, or a preliminary stomach like the cow, and "chew the cud" afterwards at his leisure? I confess I am beaten by it. The mixture of his food, if it pleases him, does not annoy me, for if a man

likes to eat mouthfuls of huckleberries, bacon, apple pie, pickled mackerel, peas, mutton, gherkins, oysters, radishes, tomatoes, custard and poached eggs (this is a bonafide meal, copied from my notebook on the spot) in indiscriminate confusion, it has nothing to do with me. It would make me sick, but that is neither here nor there. But what I want to know is why Americans do not stop to chew their food, or why, as is invariably the case, they will despatch a meal in five minutes for which they have half an hour specially set apart? He falls upon his food as if he were demented with hunger, as if he were a wild thing of prey tearing victims that he hated into pieces, and when the hideous deed is done, he rushes out from the scene of massacre with a handful of toothpicks—and leans against the door-post as if time were without limit or end. The whole thing is a mystery to me. When I first came into the country I used to waste many precious moments in gazing at "the fine confused feeding" of my neighbors at the table, and waiting to see them choke. But I have given that up now. I plod systematically and deliberately through my one dish, content to find myself always last at the table, with a tumult of empty platters scattered all about me. Nothing can choke an American. In the meantime I wish that young man of Ogden would exhibit his great eating track in London, at Oscar Maskelyne and Cook into fits.—Horrid English Traveler.

Minute Workmanship. The Salem, Mass., museum has in its possession a cherry-stone containing one dozen silver spoons. The stone is of the ordinary size, the spoons being so small that their shape and finish can be distinguished only by the microscope. This is the result of immense labor for no decidedly useful purpose, and there are numerous other objects in existence the value of which may be said to be quite as indifferent. Thus, Dr. Oliver gives an account of a cherry-stone on which was carved 124 heads, so so distinctly that the naked eye could distinguish those belonging to popes and kings by their mitres and crowns. A Nuremberg clock-maker inclosed in a cherry-stone, which was exhibited at the French Crystal Palace, a plan of Sebastopol, a railway station, and the "Messiah" of Klopstock. Piny, too, mentions the fact that Homer's "Iliad" with its 15,000 verses, was written in so small a space as to be contained in a nut shell. The greatest curiosity of all, however, was a copy of the Bible, written by one Peter Bales, a chancery clerk, in so small a space that it could be inclosed within the shell of an English walnut.

It is stated that Col. Bob Ingersoll has lost his entire fortune in a mining speculation in the well-known mine "Ivanho," located in Socorro county, Mexico. He was the chief organizer of a stock company of \$2,500,000 capital in twenty-five dollar shares. Shares in and about Washington sold for \$20, a great many department clerks, women, and others, investing. The stock being non-assessable, the entire capital was soon exhausted in working the claim, which has completely pinched out. Shares are being offered for 18 cents, and there are few buyers even at that figure. Ingersoll states to his friends that he intends soon to abandon the practice of law, at least for a time, and will again return to the lecture field.—Chicago News.

Arizona Amusements.

The industrious scoundrels who are rapidly earning an unenviable reputation for the town of Benson added another to the long list of outrages and crimes Wednesday morning. An emigrant train steered into the station about daylight, and was delayed nearly an hour, switching freight cars and catching on empties. The two last cars on the train were second-class emigrant cars and were left back a couple of hundred yards on the track. While the railroad employes were busily engaged at their business about ten of the rustlers sneaked back to the emigrant train, and, in western parlance, "took it in." Four of the scoundrels stood at each of the four doors, and with pistols in hand, commanded silence. The rest of the robbers then ransacked the two cars and took everything of value that could be found, even going so far as to take earrings and jewelry from women and young girls. One old woman, who was traveling to California with two daughters, had a purse containing \$270 forcibly taken out of her clenched hand; an old man had a pair of fine boots pulled off his feet, and three young girls, who were sleeping in a corner of one of the cars, were robbed of all their bedding. It took about fifteen minutes to complete the job, and the robbers absconded and have not been heard from since.—Tombstone Epitaph.

A distinguished foreigner who is stopping at one of our leading hotels was called upon yesterday by a prominent naval officer, and according to the forms made and provided for by good society, the latter sent up his card by the bell boy. When the paste board was presented to the eminent alien he screwed his glass into his eye and gazed at it intently. He readily comprehended the name of his visitor, but continued to curiously scrutinize one corner of the card. Finally he turned to a gentleman present and with a most mystified air said: "Wat ees zees?" pointing to the characters on the corner. "That?" said the gentleman; "why that is 'U. S. N.'" It stands for 'United States Navy.' Have you never heard of our navy?" The representative of an offete monarchy rubbed his chin thoughtfully and then exclaimed: "Caramba! Nevaire, by Gar."—Washington Republican.

Cour d'Alene R. R. From Dr. J. P. Tierman we learn that the contract for grading between Rathdrum, on the N. P. R. R., and Lake Cour d'Alene, has been let, and work will commence immediately. The distance is only eleven miles, and the contract price is \$2,800 a mile. By January 1st, the doctor says, the cars will be running between these two points. He also informs us that surveys of a route through the Big Bend country is now being made, and that this road will pass through one of the best farming countries on the Pacific coast. We learn from another source that after reaching Cour d'Alene, it is the intention of the builders to strike through the mountains to a point on the Utah Northern, thus having connections with the Union Pacific. The pass is represented as very feasible, and the grading to be only a few feet to the mile.—Dalles T.M.

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SYMPTOMS OF A DISEASED LIVER.

Pain in the right side, under edge of ribs, increasing on pressure; sometimes the pain is on the left side; the patient is rarely able to lie on the left side; sometimes the pain is felt under the shoulder and is sometimes taken for Rheumatism in the arm. The stomach is affected with loss of appetite and sickness; the bowels in general are constive, sometimes alternating with laxity; the head is troubled with pain, accompanied with a dull, heavy sensation in the back part. There is generally a considerable loss of memory, accompanied with a painful sensation of having left undone something which ought to have been done. A slight, dry cough is sometimes complained of, the patient is easily startled; his feet are cold or burning, and he complains of a prickly sensation of the skin; his spirits are low, and, although he is satisfied that exercise would be beneficial to him, yet he can scarcely summon up fortitude enough to try it. If you have any of the above symptoms, you can certainly be cured by the use of the genuine DR. C. McLANE'S LIVER PILLS. When you buy McLANE'S PILLS, insist on the name, and see the name on the wrapper. Beware of cheap imitations of Fleming Bros., Pittsburgh, Pa. It is the genuine DR. C. McLANE'S LIVER PILLS, send us 25 cents by mail, and we will send them to you. FLEMING BROS., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Notice. THE DELINQUENT TAX ROLL FOR the year 1881, together with a warrant from the County Court for the collection of the same, is in my hands. Delinquent taxpayers will please settle at once and save costs. A. M. TWOMBLY, Sheriff. Astoria, August 2, 1882.

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Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN assessment of fifty per cent. on the capital stock of the Old Fellows Land and Building Association of Astoria, Oregon, has this day been levied, payable within thirty days from date at the office of the Secretary, or otherwise be declared delinquent. By order of the Board of Directors. A. J. MEGLER, Secretary. Astoria, August 2, 1882.

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