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FOOD ADULTERATIONS.

The governmental analysis of lard packed at Chicago shows that it is largely adulterated. This Chicago packed lard is sold all over this coast, and whether cotton seed oil and beef fat are inferior to hog's fat tried out and put up for export, the fact remains that wholesale and retail purchasers pay for what they don't get.

This adulteration is universal in the east. This last remark may seem to be a sweeping one, but the fact warrant its use. Adulteration of manufactured food, where possible or profitable, is universal there.

Tea, coffee, butter, sugar, lard, mustard, pepper, canned fruits, jam, jelly, canned meats, etc., are all more or less adulterated in the east.

The canned products of this coast, vegetables, fruit, salmon, etc., are all pure.

Vegetables and fruits canned in California, and corn canned in Maine are usually of pure condition.

But the great bulk of manufactured articles of food are adulterated.

Take one article that every house-keeper either puts up herself or buys—raspberry jam.

A man recently happened to be in conversation with a Boston manufacturer who makes raspberry jam on a large scale, and asked him where the raspberries were raised that he made his product of.

The gentleman was in a position to warrant the confidence of the manufacturer and the latter told him frankly:

"Why, we don't use any raspberries at all."

"Do you mean to say that you make raspberry jam without any raspberries?"

"Certainly."

"What is the process?"

"Why, we boil tomatoes, and then strain the product to get the seeds out. Tomato seeds are quite too big to look like raspberry seeds, and, besides, are not shaped like them. Then we add about an equal quantity of glucose, and mix in a little prepared raspberry flavor that we buy from the chemists, and also a quantity of hay seed. The hay seeds look very much like raspberry seeds, and are besides much more nutritious than the raspberry seeds and constitute a positive merit in jam. With a little further preparation, our raspberry jam, made out of tomatoes and glucose, is ready for the market."

There you are; hay seed, tomatoes, and glucose. "Raspberry jam."

This is not as bad, however, as plaster of paris, lead, brick dust, white earth, and other delicacies mixed in with food adulterations.

The subject is a wide and growing one and touches so largely on the public health as to be of prime importance.

A New Way to Make Cans.

An ingenious improvement in the manufacture of tin cans for preserving food is being introduced, the plan consisting simply in so forming the lid that it is merely pressed on, and the can is hermetically sealed, so that no internal pressure can remove the lid. Water boiled in a tin thus closed has failed to open it off, although the steam pressure has burst the can itself. A penny piece however, used as a lever by being placed under a rim formed around the top of the cover, with the shoulder of the can as a fulcrum, raises the lid with a remarkably small expenditure of power. The principle involved in the device is that of the wedge and lever. The neck of the tin on which the lid fits is formed at a very slight angle from the vertical, and the rim of the lid is made at a corresponding angle, no solder being used to form the joint. By means of this arrangement, therefore, the opening of cans is rendered a remarkably clean, quick and simple operation, contrasting greatly in these respects with the inconvenient method of opening now in vogue.

Worth Knowing.

Mr. W. H. Morgan, merchant, Lake City, Fla., was taken with a severe cold, attended with a distressing cough and running into Consumption in its first stages. He tried many so called popular cough remedies and steadily grew worse. Was reduced in flesh, had difficulty in breathing and was unable to sleep. Finally tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and found immediate relief, and after using about a half dozen bottles found himself well and has had no return of the disease. No other remedy can show so grand a record of cures, as Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Guaranteed to do just what is claimed for it.—Trial bottle free at W. E. Dement & Co.'s Drug store.

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LEAP YEAR.

Ladies' Law in Leap Year—Bachelors' Penalty

[Thos. J. Bowditch in Troy Times.] It is probable that many of the fair, and at least an equal number of the unfair sex, have scarcely bestowed a thought upon the fact that 1888 is leap year, in which the ladies' law, as it is called, may prevail.

In three years out of every four, man has the privilege of "popping the question," and the annoyance of sometimes having a plain-spoken "No" for the reply. On the fourth year woman may propose, if it so please her.

A lady has the privilege in leap year of suggesting marriage between herself and a bachelor acquaintance. In the event of his refusing, the penalty is that the uncomplaisant gentleman shall present the tender damsel with a new silk dress.

There is a reservation, however, that the right to claim this penalty depends on the circumstance that, when she proposed, the damsel was the wearer of a scarlet petticoat, which (or a little of the lower portion of which) she must exhibit to the gentleman, the understood idea being that the silk dress shall cover the petticoat, and thus assuage dire feminine indignation at the rejection of her offered hand.

Any of the readers of the Times catch a glimpse, in 1888—say in a high wind, or when a carriage or car is entered on a muddy street crossed—of the slightest bit of scarlet in a lady's most comfortable and usually unobtrusive garment, they may imagine that she has just quitted the house with the dire intent of asking somebody to marry her, or of getting the silk dress mentioned.

"Albeit," it is now become a part of the common law, in regards to social relations of life, that as often as every bissextile year doth return, the ladies have the sole privilege, during the time it containeth, of making love unto the men, which they do, either by words or looks, as to them it seemeth proper; and, moreover, no man will be entitled to benefit of clergy who doth in any wise treat her proposal with slight or contumely."

This quotation is given by a correspondent of "Notes and Queries," but there are some words in it which were scarcely in common use in Shakespeare's time.

"Social relations of life" is a comparatively modern phrase; and though the word "relations" is used once by Shakespeare, "social" never was. Oddly enough, the word "contumely," though not given in "Ayscough's Concordance," occurs in "The proud man's contumely," which is put into one of Hamlet's most thoughtful soliloquies.

The following is the statute in the old Saxon code referring to leap year:

"Albeit, as often as leape years dothe occur, the weman holdeth prerogative over the menne in matters of courtships, love and matrimonie; so that, when the lady proposeth, it shall not be lawful for the man to say her nae, but shall entertaine her proposal in all good curtesie."

A Scotch statute of 1228 read as follows:

"It is statut and ordaint that during the reit and most bleisid majestie, ilk fourth year, known as leap year, ilk maiden ladye of bairn high and low estait shall have liberty to bespeak ye man she likes; althit, if he refuses to take her to his wyf, he shall be maled in the sum of one pound (£1) or less, as his estait may be, except and avis if he can make it appear that he is betrothed to another woman, and then he shall be free."

Leap year naturally makes us think of marriage; and we hope all the young ladies and widows will be bold enough to "pop the question," and do it without blushing or stammering. Now is your opportunity.

A Conservative Estimate.

A San Francisco commission firm furnishes the following statistics regarding the salmon pack on the coast for 1887:

Table with 2 columns: Location and Cases. Includes Columbia River, Spring, Fall, Spermato River, Spring and Fall, Rogge, Smith's, Eel, Coquille, Umpqua, Siuslaw, Nestucca, Tillamook, Nehalem, Coos Bay, Alsea, Yaquina, Shoalwater, Gray's Harbor, Puget Sound, Alaska.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Cases. Includes Fraser River, Skeena, Rivers Inlet, Alert Bay.

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