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Then one fowl is a goose, but two are called

Yet the plural of mouse should never be

You may find a lone mouse or a whole nest of mice.

of mice,

But the plural of house is houses, not hice.

If the plural of man is always called men,

Why shouldn't the plural of pan be called

The cow in the plural may be cows or kine, But a bow if repeated is never called bine, And the plural of vow is vows, never vine. If I speak of a foot and you show me your

And I give you a boot would a pair be called beet?

beet?

If one is a tooth and a whole set are teeth,

Why shouldn't the plural of booth be called beeth ?

If the singular's this and the plural is these, Should the plural of kiss ever be nicknamed

keese?
Then one would be that and three would be

those,
Yet hat in the plural would never be hose,
And the plural of cat is cats, not cose.
We speak of a brother and also of brethren,
But though we say mother we never say
methren.

methren
Then the masculine pronouns are he, his
and him,
But imagine the feminine she, shis and
shim.
So the English, I think, "you all will agree,

Is the queerest language you ever did see

FISH AS FOOD

Mrs. S. T. Rorer's "Cooking Lesson" in the March "Ladies" Horze Journal" is devoted to the preparation of numerous kinds of fish for the table, and the distinc-tive value of the various kinds of fish for food. She contends that there has not been aufficiantly secureta, analysis arone which tive value of the various kinds of fish for food. She contends that there has not been a sufficiently accurate analysis upon which to base any table regarding the chemical composition of fish at all reliable. "The albuminoid matter in white fish, as cod, haddock and halibut, is in about the same proportion as in beef and mutton. They contain, however, more phosphorous—the active fish, such as trout and pickerel, containing a still greater amount, due no doubt to their activity. The amount of carbon depends largely upon the amount of fat they contain. The white fish are, therefore deficient in carbon. If you should ask an intelligent cook what vegetable to serve with a boiled whitefish she would answer quickly, potatoes, as they supply the wantquickly, potatoes, as they supply the want-ing carbohydrates.
"There are other kinds of fish, however,

"There are other kinds of fish, however, such as salmon, catfish and sturgeon, that are quite well supplied with carbohydrates, in consequence of which they are not so easily digested as the white fish. The more oil they have dispersed through the body, the more difficult the digestion. In the w.ite fish the fat is held in the liver; in the dark fish it is dispersed through the entire fiesh. Fro. this fact we learn that dark fish make a much better diet for the active man. Many authorities sfirm that the more active fish, as well as the more active animals, give better mucle-making tood than their more indolent relations."

HITTING HOME

Lawyer—Now, Mr. Thrift, describe fto the court the chickens that you charged ny client, the defendant, with stealing. Farmer Thrift goes into the details, but he is interrupted by the lawyer, who [ex-claims, "I have some chickens like those

claims, "I have some chickens like those myself.

Farmer Thrift (resuming)—The chickens he took are not the only ones I have had stolen!—New York Herald.

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