The True Test of Oysters.

"The best cyster experts that I know of," said the captain of an oyster boat, "judge an oyster by the smell instead of by the taste. There is something about the smell of any oyster that indicates its condition to me much plain-

dicates its condition to me much plain-er than does the taste. People buy them and eat them probably ca ac-count of their taste. So also do they buy tea, coffee and the various grades of whisky and brandy for their taste, but all experts on those things gass upon them entirely by their smell. The professional tea taster or whisky tast-er, so called, never tastes them, but

er, so called, never tastes them, but simply arrives at their taste by their peculiarities of flavor or, to speak

plainly, smell. I can tell what price a load of oysters will be rated at when

they arrive at the wharf here by open-ing up the hold of the boat and smell-

ing. In eight cases out of ten I am

if they don't smell right they will never

American Tourists and Their Ways. English people, as a rule, try to en-ter a hotel drawing room or any other public place as quietly as possible and

endeavor not to interfere with the other occupants of the room more than

they can help. A party of French or

Germans will never dream of stopping

to consider whether their piercing

voices are deafening their neighbors,

while Americans have a particularly

maddening habit of reading their con

respondence aloud in public without

the slightest regard to other people who are reading or conversing in the same room. It is no doubt part of the

same lack of breeding which leads them to hold conversations at the top

of their very penetrating voices not only in public picture galleries, but

also in continental churches, without

a solemn service may be going on within a few yards of them.—London Modern Society.

A Curious Coincidence. The story of a queer coincidence is told by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. While traveling upon the continent he visited a certain mountain inn, which was in

winter, he learned, occupied only by

two men. These men, prisoned in a waste of snow and ice, had for all that

period ne communication with the

world below. Here was a situation for

novelist! And the novelist accord-

ingly began to let his imagination play

about the possibilities of tragedy sur-rounding the two men on their moun-

tain height. But the story was never written, for, happening to come upon a volume of Guy de Maupassant, which was new to him, he found therein, un-

der the title of "L'Auberge," the very story he had meant to write.

seeds in each of these, by actual cour is 6,000, making 60,000 in all. As as we have been able to learn the

as we have been able to learn the no instance of similar fruitfuln any plant found growing in the try. A single plant of either the town weed ("jimson"), the butte the ragweed and some of the ver-

and his nose elongated to upward of two feet when in the last stages of the

rrible malady.—London Telegraph.

Feminine Logic.

"The female sex," said M. Calino lately, "is the most illogical in the world."

want of devotion of women to the canons of logic?" he was asked.

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"What new proof have you of the

"Why, take my wife," answered M.

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Calino. "I had all the trouble in the world to get her to enter her thirties, and now, a dozen years later, I can't get her out of them." "No. madam." said Bridget. "I'll notl'ave widout two weeks' notice. That was the conthract an' I'll howld yez "But." replied Mrs. Hiram Offen,

Put Her Foot Down. Naggin-But why don't you argue the matter out with your wife? Meekton -Hush! My wife has very positive ideas on that subject. The moment I opened my mouth my wife would put her foot down, and— Naggin — The idea! I should think you'd choke to death.

He Knew. Teacher-Now, Robert, do you know what an isosceles triangle is? Boy-Tes'm. Teacher - Well, what is it? Boy-It's one uv dem t'ings I gits licked fer not knowin' wot it is .- Judge.

There are some minds like either convex or concave mirrors, which represent objects such as they receive them, but they never receive them as they

"Tionas H. Benton was a most re-markable man," said the late Colonel Switzler, "in some respects the most remarkable I have ever known, but he could not begin a career at this time. The people would not tolerate him. He would impress even a stranger by his appearance. He walked as if he owned the earth. With head raised at an angle of 45 degrees and hands behind his back he would stalk with measured tread down the street, looking neither to the right nor to the left, recognizing no one. If he had an appointment to speak at 2 o'clock, promptly at 2 o'clock he would arrive. He would come in his carriage unattended. He would permit no one to introduce him, but, pas through the crowd, he would make his way to the rostrum and begin, 'Citi-žens.' Never did he say 'Fellow citi-zens.' Those before him were no fel-lows of his. And when he had concludright. It strikes oystermen as strange when they see persons going about from boat to boat, as they lie at the wharf, tasting oysters before they conclude to buy. Taste is all right, but ed he would make his way back to the hotel without personally addressing a soul in the audience. No one dared interrupt him in his speech. He refused to recognize the right of any constitu-

ent to ask him how he stood on any

One hundred and thirty-one miles is the height of the atmosphere as meas-ured by Professor T. J. J. See, who determines the thickness of the air envelope by noting the difference between the time of sunset and the complete disappearance of blue from the sky. The moment at which the blue changes into black can be observed quite. easily with approximate cer tainty by the naked eye when the air is clear, and by trigonometry may be ascertained the distance below the horizon of the sun at the moment of change. By this means may be calculated the height of the smallest illuminated particles of oxygen and nitrogen which give to the sky its blueness of tint by the reflection of the smalles wave lengths of the sun's light. The instant of change from blue to black is possibly a little difficult of exact observation, but the method is not more doubtful than that based on the ob-servation of shooting stars. The shoot-ing star method gives a result not greatly differing from the vanishing blue method. The former gives the height of the atmosphere at 109 miles.

A French Verdiet All juries have a way of tempering justice with mercy and strict logic with good or bad sense. French juries excel in these practices. A Mn naby of Bordeaux was accused of hav-ing forged two prescriptions and of having thereby obtained large quanti-ties of poison, some of which she ad-ministered to her husband, who nearly died and was only saved by his doctor who suspectook him a overwhelmi something wrong and The evidence was or the prisoner com-rive any plausible ex-she wanted the pletely faile The common pursiane is one of the wonders of botany as far as seeds are concerned. A single seed of this plant will produce about twenty seed pols in a season. The average number of these by setting course. kili two reg forgin the pre

the simplest of all. The cue consisting eating fruits. That will cure the worst case of inebriety that ever afflicted a person. It will entirely destroy the taste for intoxicants and will produce an enormous number of seeds, but it is doubtful if any one of them produces one-fourth as many in a year make the drunkard return to the thoughts and tastes of his childhood. No person ever saw a man or weman who liked fruit and who had an ap-A Human Nose Two Feet In Length. Elephantiasis is a peculiar form of petite for drink. No person ever saw leprosy in which the limbs and features swell to horrible proportions and out leprosy in which the limbs and features swell to horrible proportions and out of all semblance to the legs, arms and faces of human beings. Cases are faces of human beings. Cases are known where the legs have become so known where the legs have become so swollen that they measured 4½ feet in circumference. The ears of the same in the same human constitution. One will surely destroy the other.-What to Eat. victim, Walter Brisbane, an English sailor, were eighteen inches in length,

Old Saying With New Meaning. The saying "Cast not a clout till May be out" has been understood to a caution against laying aside winter clothing until the month of May has ended. A correspondent of London Notes and Queries says that an old gardener he knows gives a different turn to the proverb, affirming that after the may has come into bloom there is never any further danger of frost, and the saying is really a caution against throwing aside extra garments not until the month has come to an end, but until the may be out in

A Horrible Custom Writing from Abyssinia, a correspondent says: "Quaint customs prevail in these parts. When a father is getting on in years the son bids him climb into a tree and jump down from the branches. If the old man staggers on landing the son spears him on the

Correct. The New Waitress—Shall I say "Din per is served" or "Dinner is ready," ma'am? Mistress-If that cook doesn't do any better, just say "Dinner is

spot; his usefulness is over."

Nerve. "You don't even dress me decently," she cried. "I'm going home to papa."
"All right." replied Doolits. "You might say to him also that I need a new suit myself."

Stella-He told me I looked sweet enough to eat. Bella-He doubtless meant you were well preserved.

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