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Mr. Grindley, Agent of the Department of Agriculture in Great Britain, reports as follows concerning the packing of Canadian butter in Danish Kiels.

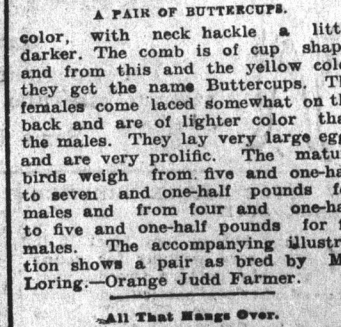
The butter packed in this style is the best quality of "Canadian Creamery" and is put up in this shape by the shippers who receive their instructions from consignees on this side—most of it comes with no mark except what is on the sack which covers the cask—if any mark is on the cask, it can easily be erased. There is no doubt that the bulk of the butter packed in this style is sold as "Choice Danish."

Only a few Canadian firms ship butter in "Kiels" or eggs in the "Foreign" or "Irish" case. Canada in the majority of cases does not get credit for her food products. One never sees in British retail shops "Canadian Cheese," "Canadian Butter," "Canadian Eggs," "Canadian Bacon," or "Canadian Beef." A few Canadian firms are advising their goods and in time our goods may be called for, but as yet the average British consumer does not care where his food comes from as long as it suits his taste and the price is reasonable. As a general rule the whole sale firms buy and sell goods for what they are, the funny work is done by the retailer, and the consumers are the only ones who are deceived, and they don't care if the quality is good.

Under the "Merchandise Marks Act" (of Great Britain) goods can enter the country with no mark, or any mark that will not lead people astray as to where the goods come from—for example if you put Boston on goods, the party concerned would be fined, as there is a Boston in England, but Boston, Mass., or Boston, U.S.A., would be safe. "Nova Scotia" on apples from that Province would be allowed, as "Nova Scotia" apples are classed by themselves. "Eggs come from Canada" packed in the "Foreign" or "Irish" case which holds 1,440 eggs. These are sold as "Irish" or "Selected Danish," whichever may bring the highest price. American and Canadian bacon and hams are sent from port of landing to English smoke-houses and appear on the market as "Wiltshire," "Cumberland," "Yorkshire," "Berkshire," or any other favorite brand. Of course if you could prove a case where marks were forged the parties concerned would be heavily fined, but all this funny work is done in cellars or behind the scenes.

The Buttercups.

The Buttercups, or Sicilians, are the latest candidates for popular favor. They were imported several years ago from the Island of Sicily by Captain Cephas Dawes of Massachusetts, who when ready to sail with a cargo of fruit bought a coop of fowls in order to have some fresh meat on the voyage. They laid so well that he brought them home, and from this importation some eggs were obtained by C. Carroll Loring of Norfolk County, Mass., who has introduced them.



A PAIR OF BUTTERCUPS.

color, with neck hackle a little darker. The comb is of dark shape, and from this and the yellow color they get the name Buttercups. The female gets some of the color on the back and are of lighter color than the males. They lay very large eggs and are very prolific. The mature birds weigh from five and one-half to seven and one-half pounds and males and from four and one-half to five and one-half pounds for females. The accompanying illustration shows a pair as bred by Mr. Loring—Orange Judd Farmer.

All That Hangs Over.

Some people seem to be slow to learn that all of a tree and all the fruit it bears over on another line belongs to the man over the line just as completely as if the tree stood over on his land. This is not only statute law of every State, but it is just and right. All that extends over the line, root and top, belongs to the man that owns the land. He may if he chooses cut away all the roots that extend through on his land. From time immemorial this has been the law. All reasonable men can see the justice of it. All honest men can see the justice of it and will approve of the law.

Balanced Rations for Hens.

W. P. Wheeler of Geneva, N.Y., has calculated feeding standards for hens when in full laying. As a sample ration that would correspond to the requirements of his standard for hens, weighing five to eight pounds Mr. Wheeler suggests the following: Cracked corn, 1 pound; wheat, 0.75 pounds; cornmeal, 0.75 pounds; and 0.5 pound each of wheat middlings, buckwheat middlings and animal meal, with 0.66 pound of green bone and 0.75 pound of young green alfalfa.



Fantastic stories have been written of magic mirrors in which the future was revealed. If such a thing were possible many a bright-faced bride would shrink from the revelation of herself, stripped of all her loveliness. There is one thing which would make a woman shrink from marriage it is to see the rapid physical deterioration which comes to so many wives. The cause is generally due to womanly diseases.

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In Line With Modern Inventors.

A well known London artist has a young son who serves to keep the family from falling into a state of lethargy. The other day the new minister of the church, in whose Sunday School the artist is interested, was due to call and the artist said to his wife: "My dear, I wish you'd send that hopeful of ours upstairs while the parson is here."

A proclamation of banishment was accordingly issued. The minister arrived and took his seat on a sofa. Things went on smoothly for ten minutes, and the caller had just outlined his views on the needs of the Sunday School, when a pause followed. Suddenly there came from under the sofa a terrific blast from a tin horn. The good man sprang up in alarm, and the artist dived down with the intention of pulling his son out and making an example of him. All he found was a tin horn, over the mouthpiece of which was stretched one end of a long piece of rubber tubing leading suspiciously into the stair and upward.

A Freak of Memory.

A few days ago a gentleman went into the Public Record Office in Chancery Lane, London, and said to the officer on duty, "I don't know who I am. I have lost my memory." He was dressed in a smart blue suit, wore kid gloves, and had on him a small memorandum book, which, however, yielded no clue to his identity. He was taken charge of, and was put into the Union in-stead. Days passed, and at last he dimly recalled the name of a firm where his brother was employed. Inquiry was made here, and the brother came and confronted the unknown. Immediately his recollection returned, and his identity was fully established. He belongs to a very respectable family.

Lord Kitchener's Misadventure.

Lord Kitchener's recovery from his accident has been slow and difficult. It is now four months since the night when his leg was broken, but he is still exceedingly lame, and looks much thinner than before. At the last meeting of the Viceroy's Legislature the viceroy had to hobble to his place with the assistance of two sticks, but had to be carried up the stairs. He is, nevertheless, in excellent spirits. He has continued to do his work throughout the whole of his illness, and has managed almost from the first to attend polo matches and races in an invalid's carriage.

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Theater Audiences.

A theater audience is fickle and not infrequently cruel, but it must be won. Augustin Daly had several ways of testing it. One was to station men in his employ at convenient points where they could hear the comments and judge whether the play was making an impression. But a test upon which he depended more was to listen himself at the moment when the curtain went down upon an act. If he saw people turning to one another eagerly and making quick comments he knew that they were being moved, whether for praise or blame. But if the talk began slowly after the curtain fell he was perfectly sure that the play had excited no interest—a worse fate than blame.

It is a favorite way of players to pick out some one person in the audience—one with a sympathetic countenance—and to play to him or her, and to judge by success from the expression seen there. The trouble is that the people in the front rows are often the regulars, who feel little emotion and show less, and who may be still unmoved when the rest of the audience is in ecstasy. If they could know the distress and the woe they cause—well, then they would not be the regulars.

The Stratting Woodcock.

One evening in November, many years ago, a country friend brought a live cock woodcock to my house in Byron, Ill. A spent shot had made his capture possible; in fact, one could not see that he was hurt in any way after a sharp, scrutinizing search under a powerful light on the kitchen table. All at once the beautiful creature slipped from my hand, and, assuming the air, men and ways of a turkey gobbler in the mating season, proceeded to strut about on the table in the circle of powerful light. It was one of the strangest, wildest, most beautiful sights the writer ever beheld. After a solid hour's performance the little audience decided that no taxidermical touch should ever desecrate that beautiful feathered form, and the bird was gently slipped into the pocket of an old hunting coat, carried a mile out of town into the country and turned loose in the edge of a hundred acre cornfield, into which he quickly scurried.

Richard Brinsley Sheridan.

Sheridan gave almost no promise in childhood of his future brilliancy. His mother pronounced "Richard Brinsley" to be "the dullest and most hopeless of her sons," and he was sent home from Dr. Whyte's academy with the reputation of being an impenetrable dunce, who wrote "think" for "thing." But he must have been able to think a thing or two even in those days, for at twenty-six he had written the "School for Scandal," of which Leigh Hunt observed, "It is a very concentration and crystallization of all that is sparkling, clear and compact in the materials of pure comedy." It should, however, be mentioned that a more judicious of the youthful Sheridan's preceptors, Samuel Parr, one of the masters at Harrow, detected the latent spark of his pupil's genius and aided it by judicious cultivation.

A "Friday" Ship.

A true story is told of a skeptical Massachusetts captain who, way back in the early years of the republic, determined to exhibit the fallacy of the Friday superstition. He contracted on a certain Friday for the building of a ship, and it was arranged that the keel of this vessel was laid on Friday, that she was launched on a Friday, named Friday, commenced loading on a Friday and hauled into the stream on the same day of the week. To add to the possibilities of disaster, a negro cook named Friday was engaged, and, thus fully freighted with the sinister name, the Friday sailed on a Friday, bound to a port in the West Indies. From that day to this no tidings of the ill conditioned craft have been received.

Feast of Fools.

The best authorities agree that the origin of the ancient custom of celebrating a feast of fools is unknown. Some identify it with the Roman feast of fools on March 31. But why did the Romans institute the feast of fools? In India March 31 is "the bull festival," when all manner of pranks are played upon the headdress. But, again, where did the Hindus get it? The French call the April fool "un poisson d'avril" (April fish). To the Scotch he is a "gawk" (a cuckoo).

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