JIGGINSTOWN CASTLE.

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A writer in a Dublin paper says: A strange tradition has recently been brought to light regarding the high road between Dublin and Naas, Co. Kildare. Jigginstown Castle, as it is familiarly called, is a remarkable object to all who j ourney on this old coach road, standing, as it does, hard by the old highway on the left hand side as one approaches Nass from the city of Dublin. It is a curious ruin of brick of the most finished and perfect manufacture, while the "laying" evidences the very maximum of workmanship. History is strange-ly eilent as to its builder and his object, so tradition alone must be fallen back upon for an approximate elucidation of its mystery. We have it that Thomas Wentworth, Earl of Stratford, caused this building to be erected as a hunting lodge for himself and his court during his term of office as deputy, and that finding the road from Dublin to the selected site in so wretched a condition, rendering transit of material almost a hopeless task, the tradition goes on to state that Stafford, impatient of delay, actually caused a line of men at arms' pewter plate. length from each other to be formed between Dublin and Jigginstown, along which the bricks travelled, being handed from man to man till they arrived at their destination, a distance of 25 miles or thereabouts. If such was the case decidedly the bricks Hertford road. would travel fairly quick along the line and keep the workmen on the walls busy enough. There is a probability that the ill-starred and unpopular earl did actneedful lessons. ually adopt this bold plan. It will be remembered he also caused the first theatre Dublin possessed to be erected, an architect named O'Gilbey having received the contract for its erection. Jiggingstown Castle was never finished, because - as the tradition further states -Strafford was recalled and put on his trial for high treason, found guilty, and executed, a fitting tribute for his unscrupulous and high-handed treatment of the native chiefs and princes whose territories he confiscated wholesale while he held his viceroyalty.

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SHOOST SO LONG AS IT WAS.

A Chicago correspondent sends the following:

At a recent trial before Justice Dougherty it was thought important by counsel to determine the length of time certain "2 quarters of beef, 2 hogs and 1 sheep " remained in an express waggon in front of plaintiff's store before they were taken away by defendant. The witness under examination was a German, whose knowledge of the Eaglish language was very limited; but he testi fied in a very straighforward way to having carried it out and put it in the waggon. Then the following ensued :

Counsel-"State to the jury how long it was after you took the meat from the store, and put it into the waggon before it was taken away."

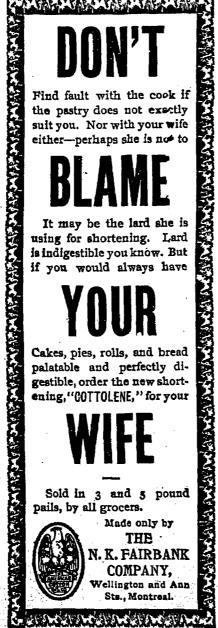
Witness-"Now I shoosh cand dell dat. I dinks 'bout dwelve feet. I not say nearer as dat."

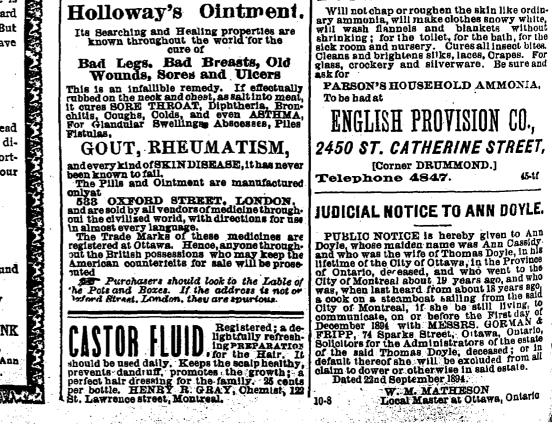
Counsel-" You don't understand me How long was it from the time the meat left the store, and put into the waggon, before it was taken away by d-fend ant?

Witness: "Now I know not vat you ask dat for. Der waggon was back u mit der sidevalk, and dat's shoost so lonp vas. You tell me how long deg 89 IL sidevalk vas. Den foot? Dwelve feet r Den I tell you how long it vas." ? Counsel: "I don't want to find out how long the sidewalk was, but I want to know," (speaking very slowly) " how - long - this - meat - was - in - the-waggon - before - it - was - taken away ?" Witness: "Oh, dat! Well, now, I no sold meat so. I all time weigh him; never measured any meet not yet. But I dinks 'bout dree feet. (Here the spec-tators and his honor and the jury smiled audibly). I know not shentlemen how is dis. I dell you all I can so good as I know." Counsel-" Look here, I want to know how long it was before the meat was taken away after it was put into the waggon ?" Witness-(Looking very knowingly at counsel)---"Now you try and get me in a scrape. Dat meat was shoes so long in der waggon as he was in the shop. Dat's all I told you. Dat meat vas dead meat. He don't got mooch longer in den dousand year, not mooch he don't." Counsel-"That will do."



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