## **OYSTERS IN SEASON.**

AN EXPERIENCED DEALER TELLS WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT THEM.

The Universal Demand and How It E. Supplied-The Number New York Devours in a Day-Oyster

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"There will be plenty of oysters this season," said a veteran oyster dealer of the North river wholesale market. "I have received advices from all who fur nish me with the bivalves. From them I can assure the lovers of oysters that there will be no scarcity. We may have to send farther for them than in years gone

by," Where do you expect to get the oys ters?

considerable number will be A beought from the James river. The otomac promises to furnish a large quantity. Paltimore and the shores eastern Virginia bid fair to add largely to the supply. Besides these there will be about the usual quantity from Prince's bay, i.e. port, Shrewsbury river, East river, Rockaway, the sound and other places nearer home. There need be no fear of a famine in the oyster market.

"How many ovsters will be required for the opening of the season?"

New 1 ork. A bushel contains from 1.0 to 200, according to size. That makes a strong cigar must have a dark wrapper, from 10,000,000 to 20,000,000 oysters." or that a dark wrapper indicates a strong

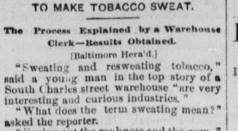
"That seems a large number. Is each

day's demand as great?" "Pretty nearly. I should say that dur-ing the whole season fully 10,000,000 oys. ters, reckoning at the average rate of bi-valves to the bushel, will be required to supply the market each day. The consumption of oysters is very large. Some are eaten at the regular meals, others as a sort of luxury, like ice cream ia sum-But oysters seem always to be in mer. good demand during the season. When scarce, it is hard work to keep up the supply; but it has to be done somehow or another.

" You speak of the season. Are not oysters good all the year round!"

But it would not do if the de-Yes. mand should be kept up all the summer as heavy as it is in the winter. Oysters would run out, and it would require game laws to protect them from entire destruction. As it is, many natural oyster beds have been annihilated through of leaf tobacco reckless fishing. The demand is rendered less by its being considered unhealthy to eat oysters when the letter "r" does not appear in the name of the month. This allows the oysters time to spawn and to a great extent protects them without the exercises of the game laws. Besides which it helps the trade in clams. There are persons so much inclined to the use of shellfish that they feel they cannot live without eating something of the bivalve kind. Consequently, when oysters are out of season,' they consume claims, and

much a business now as the raising of garden truck. You would be surprised, if the statistics could be had, at the num-ber of persons now engaged in the artificial production of oysters. The oyster was at one time the natural product of the American waters. Years ago it was only necessary to fish for them. Now, as much care has to be taken in planting them as in planting green stuff. To rob an oyster plantation is as much a crime as to rob a garden. And there are plenty of oyster thieves, too. Planting oysters has | tight cases and again put on bulk in small become quite a trade or profession, whichever you may like to call it, and the preparation of oysters ward it is packed in the original cases and You would think by reading the signs on sweated the leaf has a sweet odor, an an oyster saloon that there are only a unlike the rank perfume it gives off in its ways of preparing oysters for use. But if you go to Delmonico's, or some of the first-class hotels, you will find there are as many ways of cooking oysters as there are varieties. I could not name all the ways that oysters cooked. But still they do not seem to be sufficient to suit the demands of epicures, and more ways are being invented every season by the French and other foreign cooks. I re-member the time when the people of New York were content with either a raw, a stew, a fry or a broil. But now oysters have to be done up a la something or other. "Are oysters shipped largely into the interior where they are not produced?" "Yes. The quantities that go west are something enormous. They are opened near the place of production, and after being carefully packed are sent off by rail. Even with the cost of transportation they can be shipped so that they are supplied to actual consumers nearly as cheaply as in New York. The cauning process has made them reach their destination in nearly as good a condition as when fresh opened. Of course there is a difference. But to those who cannot get the fresh oyster, those canned or barreled form a delicious substitute. I do not think much of the supply which comes to this market is thus disposed of. Those who come here are either actually consumed in the city or in the outlying towns and villages. You must recollect that there is a very large population residing within a short distance of New York. They get their supply of fresh oysters from or through this market. When this is taken into consideration it will easily be understood that a supply of 20,000,000 oysters every day cannot be too many."



"Drying out the rankness and the gum," answered the young man. "It also brings out the dark colors. I will ex-"It also plain the process to you briefly. It is applied only to the leaf tobacco which is used for cigar wrappers. After the tobacco is cut it is put on bulk-that is, in large piles, where it remains during the winter. Then, the following summer, after being closely packed, it is put through the first 'sweat.' It is put on bulk in large warehouses like huge bun dles of hay, and there it stays during the The natural heat generated summer. suffices to do the sweating. Sometimes the heat becomes so great that a pile is set on fire by spontaneous combustion, though this does not often occur. The tobacco is packed stalk by stalk with the leaf attached, each stalk and leaf being called a

'hand. "The resweating is done, as I said be fore, to dry out the rankness, and the super. uous gum and to bring out the dark colors that are so much admired in cigar wrappers. This, in fact, is the only way in which the desirable Maduro and Oscuro shades can be produced. "The re-"r rom the orders received by the dif- sweating does not affect the strength ferent wholesale oyster dealers there was needed for the first day of Sep-tember from 75,000 to 100,000 bushels for New Jork A hushel contains from 100,000 bushels for more strong. It is a popular fallacy that or that a dark wrapper indicates a strong As a matter of fact, if anything, cigar. the dark resweated leaves are milder than than the natural buff and snuff-colored leaves

"How is the resweating done?" fell from the mouth of the listening scribe. "We get the hands of tobacco in large

boxes from the dealers. It is first taken out of these boxes and cased-there, like that," he said, pointing to a man who was gathering up double handfuls of the stalks and dipping them, butts downward, for a moment in a trough filled with water, which was deeply dyed with the coloring matter of the leaves. "After soaking the ends of the bands in the water they are placed on a casing table, stems upward, where they are allowed to drain -this consuming from fifteen minutes to one hour. The stalks are then put back into the original boxes, and there they remain for forty-eight hours. Each of these boxes holds from 200 to 450 pounds

"Next the tobacco is tightly packed in hermetically scaled cast iron boxes, lined with wood, the boxes holding one third of a case apiece. After being sealed up, the boxes are subjected to a steam heat ranging from (0 degrees to 150 degrees during periods varying from three days to thirty three days, ac ording to the kind of to ba co under treatment. The quality of leaf varies very greatly in this particular. For instance, the crop of Pennsylvania leaf of 1881 was the hardest to sweat of any I ever go in the establishment, while "The cultivation of the cyster is as tively easily treated. No two crops of tobacco are alike. This year's crop from the same ground, with the same weather and under, so far as we know, the same conditions every way, may be no more like that of last year than Havana leaf is like Connecticut leaf. It differs in strength, flavor, quality and texture, and for no explainable reason. Sometimes, doubtless, the season has something to do with it.

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#### Homeopathic Perfumes. [Exchange.]

The odoriferous molecules of musk must be incomprehensibly small. We can not imagine their smallness, as it is said that the same grain of musk under-goes absolutely no diminution in weight A single drop of the oil of thyme, ground down with a piece of sugar and a little alcohol, will communicate its odor to twenty-five gallons of water. Haller kept for forty years papers perfumed with one grain of ambergris. After this the odor was as strong as ever. Bordenave has evaluated a molecule of camphor sensible to the smell to 2,262,584,000th of a grain. Boyle has observed that one dram of asafatida exposed to the open air had lost in six days the eighth part of one grain, from which Keill concludes that in one minute it had lost one 69, 120th of a grain.

The Apparent Gain Accounted for.

[Frank Leslie's Blustrated.] According to President Warren, of Boston university, the apparent gain in numbers of the black race over the south

is largely due to the fact that the white is credited by the census simply with its own white offspring, while the negro is credited with its own proper descendants, as well as with all the increase of the entire mixed population of the country, and over and above this, with all the children of white men by negro or mixed mothers, and with all the children of white women by negro or mixed fathers.

#### Gaulo-Roman Bones.

# (Chicago Herall.)

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