Fresh Water Sharks

An old Salt in Spinning some yarns in relation to fresh water sharks said I heard of another case where a man was jerked off the gunwhale of a boat that he had just crawled on to and never did come up. Oh, I tell ye there's fresh-water sharks as well as salt. In South America there's a fish what ain't two foot long that'll clean out a man as quick as a ten-foot shark. The way I happened to know it was this: I went on a cruise to South America in '67 and we lay up and around the Orinoco river, tradin,' for a matter of two months, so I picked up a heap of foreign pints. We got up the river about three hundred miles in all, I reckon. I never noticed much about the fish till one evenin' I went ashore. The natives were havin' a big time over a big chief that bed died, so we thought we would go to the funeral. They had a big pow-wow, and after awhile I asked one of the women where the grave was. She p'nted overboard, and, sartin sure, that's where they put him. They stripped the body, put it in a sort of a basket and lowered it over, and as soon as it was in the water there was about a thousand fish all around it, comin' from all parts, so in half an hour ye couldn't see the body nor nuthin; in short," said the ancient mariner; "the fish—Perais they call 'em—were eatin' the man up, and the basket was to hold the bones in, and that was the way they did their buryin'. In a couple o' days the skeleton was picked as clean as these 'ere bones ye see in the shows, and then it was hauled up and stowed away, clean and ship-shape. I asked one of the men if the fish would tackle a live man, and he said a man wouldn't hev any show at all, and later I see it was so. Half the ducks along shore was short of feet or toes, and some walked around on short stumps, and I see what they called a water hoss or tapir, that started to swim the river and its legs were stripped so clear of flesh ye'd thought it had been done to order. Why," continued the fisherman, warming up at the reflection, "one of the overseers, a Spaniard and sort of stevedore, told me that a white man tried to wade a stream above where we lay on horseback, and got stuck in the stream, and both he and the hoss was jist about skiletons when they come out. Sharks was nowhere along side of them fellers, I kin tell ye."

The old fisherman's yarn about the Perais was not exaggerated, the fish being considered the most savage of their kind. Scientifically they are known as the Serrassalmo, and are allied to our salmon; though distantly. In conversation with an authority on lake fishes, the latter said that the only fish that could or would attack a boat was the big bony gar, that had powerful teeth and could, no doubt, cut a man in a bad way. They are covered with a regular armor and have a long beak full of teeth.

"I've seen a pound net all cut in pieces by them," said the speaker, "and if they got hold of a canvas there is no doubt but that a big hole would be the result."

"Did you ever hear of a shark in the lake?" asked the writer.

"Yes," was the reply, "we often hear such yarns. You know fishermen always have a supply of such. I met a man some time ago who told me that while gill net fishing off Little Sturgeon Island he was grabbed by a shark. He was an old saltwater sailor and evidently knew what a shark was and believed what he was talking about. It seemed that the net fouled in some way and they couldn't haul it in, and he dove down to clear it. As he was coming up the fish grabbed him by the arm. He clung to the net, and for a few seconds it looked dark for him; but he finally broke away and got up and the men hauled him in. The fish that he said was fifteen feet long made a dash at him and came clear out of water, so that the whole crew saw it, and they all swore that it was a shark. But, you know, a ten, or even a six-foot gar pike is a pretty big fish and would look like a shark. Mind," continued the fish expert, "I don't say there are no sharks in the great lakes."

"But why are you not certain?" queried the writer.

"Because," was the reply, "fresh-water sharks exist in other countries, and though it's hardly likely it's a bare possibility that there may be some here. Sharks have been seen by good authorities in Lake Nicaragua, Central America. In a fresh-water lake in the Phillippine Islands there is a ray and a sawfish, very similar to the species on our Eastern coast. In the Fiji Islands a shark is found way up the fresh-water streams beyond the reach of the tide, and at Bagdad, on the Tigris, three hundred and fifty miles from the sea, there are sharks in plenty. This is over two hundred and fifty miles from tide-water, so the sharks are in as fresh water as if they were off Chicago. A small shark at Viti Levi, Fiji, not only goes far up the river, but is found above the falls where it breeds, and the same is true in India. So you see fresh-water sharks are not merely possibilities, but facts."

"Do the gars interfere with the fisheries?"

"Yes, to some extent," was the reply, "but their effect is not felt. What is killing our fisheries is the overfishing. If it keeps on there won't be a fish left. There are used now in Lake Michigan alone nearly 25,000 gill nets, about 500 pound nets, run by 650 steamers, smacks, etc. All this means an immense lot of fish, and in 1879 Chicago handled nearly 18,000,000 pounds of lake fish. So the sharks that are dispoiling our fisheries are human ones. They're after the hen that lays the golden egg."

Trotting In 2:08.

"I was once the owner of Maud S. for a week," said Mr. Hulbert, the other day, while speeding over the Erie railroad. When asked how he came into possession of her, he said: "An old riverman by the name of Bugher went with me to a sale of thoroughbreds in Kentucky. Bugher had lots of money, and he bought eleven of the horses. Just as he were leaving, a horse was put up that struck my fancy and I bid her in for $145. I made arrangements with Bugher to have her shipped with his horses, and a few days later, when the horses reached Cincinnati, Bugher pointed out a sorrel mare as mine. I said she did not look like my horse, but Bugher was positive, so I said no more about it and took the animal, which was then unbroken. A week later I found in my memorandum book that the horse I had bought was a bay, not a sorrel, so I sent the sorrel mare home. That's where I made my mistake, for the sorrel was the afterward famous Maud S., who has trotted in 2:08, it is claimed, and who—"

"Pardon me," interrupted an old gentleman who was listening to the narrative, "the best time she ever made was 2:10¾."

"She has trotted a mile in 2:08, sir," continued Mr. Hulbert, "and, further than that, she has done it twice to my personal knowledge, but both times in private. She was timed by experts with stop watches. The little bay I got in exchange for Maud S. never trotted under three minutes."

There are more people who can forget themselves than govern themselves.

AGRICULTURE.

CANADA THISTLES.—The thistle is the most annoying weed that intrudes upon the farm. Hard to exterminate and tenacious of life, it propagates wherever a plans of any kind can secure a foothold. and once in possession of a field the cost of its eradicatfon is sometimes greater than the value of the field itself. It is a perennial plant, with annual stems, and reproduces itself from seeds and roots, and it is due to its power of rapid reproduction that it is enabled to withstand the farmer's attacks so successfully.

The thistle is now receiving the attention of many experienced and practical agriculturists, among them Mr. Archibald Stone, of Binghamton, N. Y., who states that no plant is so entirely dependent on sunshine as the Canada thistle. Grow them in mass, or so closely together that they will completely shade the ground, and as fast as the leaves get matured sufficiently to begin to restore to the plant the nutriment it has cost the plant to produce them them they will be through in the shade by the constantly increasing mass of leaves on the top; they will die for want of sunshine, the stems become naked and the roots become exhausted while in bloom, and your ground will have to be reseeded before another crop grows. If the thisties are so scattering that they will not shade the ground, corn, oats or clover will have to be sown,

In his article to the Husbandman, Mr. Stone states that ripening a crop of seed is exhaustive to any crop, yet to think of getting rid of Canada thistles by mowing after they had ripened a crop of seed and burning it seems to be too slow a process for this age.

Other writers have recommended different methods for exterminating the thistles, and claim that individual efforts alone are useless. As the down is easily carried by the winds to considerable disiances the cleanest fields are as liable to infliction as the foulest. No matter how careful a farmer may be to keep the pest off, his efforts will be thrown away if his adjoining neighbors do not exercise the same care as himself. The work of destruction can be done at the most suitable periods by co-operative action, and each individual will be as much interested in the work upon his neighbor's field as upon his own. The distribution of the seeds must be prevented in preference to anything else, and much labor may be saved in so doing by mowing the thistles when young, and before they can have an opportunity to seed. It must be done as often as necessity for so doing occurs, and the next business will be to destroy the plants by shading with some other crop, and pulling or digging them out, which is not often necessary, except when fields are entirely overrun. But the continued use of the mower is one of the best remedies to try, although it requires the abandonment of the field for a season. That, however, is the penalty the farmer pays for the intrusion, and is not heavy compared with other tried methods

It might be claimed without much exaggeration that the growth of a single thistle on a farm is the beginning of decay, and should cause as much alarm as the entrance of an epidemic in a community. As sanitary measures are needed in the case of epidemic, so is co-operative effort required to prevent the spread of thistles.

Cows, which are to give milk through the winter, need to be fed with special care at this time. If possible, the flow of milk must not be permitted to decrease. Mangels and sugar beets are excellent, cut in slices and sprinkled with bran. The rule, that good feeding brings good manure, should be kept in mind in a judicious care of farm animals during winter. Good feed in abundance is not enough; it should be given with regularity. The habits of different animals have to be studied, and treated accordingly. Scarcely any two cows or horses have the same appetites. It is important to so mix and change the feed, that sameness may be avoided. A variety of food encourages healthful digestion and upon this the profits of the owner largely depend.

HOW TO SUB-SOIL.—Sub-soiling always pays if properly done. It is advisable, however, if you have to bring the subsoil to the surface, not to go more than a couple of inches deeper than the previous plowing, unless you can afford to manure the land and let it lie idle for a year. If you use the common fallow plow and run down a foot deep, and then soon afterward cross-plow so as to bring up again the soil that belongs on the top, and harrow deep and thoroughly, you will raise the biggest corn you ever had. But remember that if there is much sub-soil on top your first crop may not please you.

IMPORTANT, IF TRUE.—An Eastern farmer says that two pigs, furnished with muck, sand, weeds and sod, will manufacture them into the best manure that can be found, and will be worth, when six months old, as much as a ton of the best superphosphate that sells for $50 a ton. If the suggestion is successfully adopted the manufacturers of superphosphate will soon have a pretty lively competition.

INSECTS.—The following has been found an effectual remedy for all insects both on plants and trees—One pint of soft soap mixed with half the quantity of coal oil, the whole then being stirred into six gallons of water. The application to be made by a powerful syringe, deluging the tops of the trees, and continuing the opera tion for 3 or 4 nights in succession, and afterwards once or twice a week.

SOILS.—Clay soils are generally better for wheat than sandy ones, because they are not sublect to such sudden extremes of temperature and moisture, and are more tenacious in their character. Timber land is better than prairie land, because the decaying roots are pretty sure to effect underdrainage, magnesia and lime and silica are more abundant and nitrogen is less abundant, and such land being more rolling is better drained and dryer.

IN order to keep the striped beetle from vines the experiment was tried of placing corn-cobs dipped in coal-tar near the hills. While the practice did not entirely prevent the ravages of the beetle, their numbers were largely diminished.

Gummed Paper.—The tendency of paper when gummed, as in the case of postage stamps, labels, etc., to curl up is very annoying. It is said that this evil may be avoided by adding a little salt, sugar and glycerine to the gum, very little of the latter, however, because otherwise the gum does not dry thoroughly. The gummed paper also must not be dried by too great a heat. Another peculiarity of gummed paper is its greater liability to curl up the thicker it is. The thinnest paper possible under various circumstances should, therefore, be used.

IN hand-picking pears, the eye will point out, by a yellow tint or color, those which are mature enough for house-ripening, and if the stem cracks off when the fruit is partly lifted, they should not be left any longer on the tree.

Pop corn is a good lunch for Sunday nights with milk for drink.

DOMESTIC.

THE RETURN TO CURTAINS.—As for the night-caps, they must have been instituted in the times when snow used to sift under the eaves upon sleepers in their beds, or when the winds entering by a hundred crevices in walls, windows and doors, would bring all the fresh cold air from out of doors upon the unconscious heads. Modern "improvement" has made sleeping-rooms air-tight, except for a lower window, and has carried off the bed-curtains, too, which used to keep off draught at night or the blinding daylight in the early morning from the sleeper's eyes. There has been a fashionable return, lately, not to the old fashiened tester and the fourpost canopy, that shut in all four corners of the bed, but to a headboard canopy with curtains that merely shade the pillows. This is very pleasant, pretty and comfortable, as it does screen the eyes of sound sleepers from the glare of daylight, which is meant by nature to awaken them, but does not always bring anything beyond irritation in their sleep. A modified return to bed-curtains and head-canopies will certainly enable people to have more fresh air and light in their bed-rooms that some persons allow. The reaction against the old fashion went too far, and the satisiactory middle distance is now allowed.

DAMPNESS IN HOUSES.—Many householders are sorely troubled by the growth of fungi in damp rooms, to which they communicate, in a short time, an unpleasant smell and unwholesome atmosphere. It is not only our cellars that are apt to be affected by fungoid growth, but the walls of the adjacent rooms, and many bed rooms on the ground floor are similarly rendered useless after a moist season. Many remedies have been proposed to destroy this fungoid growth, or to prevent it occurrence; but hitherto these remedies have been too expensive or totally inefficacious. Recently an alcoholic solution of five grammes of salicylic acid per litre of water for washing the walls of rooms has been recommended. This is exactly one-half per cent., or one part salicylic acid for 200 parts liquid. No doubt the mold may be destroyed temporarily by this as by many other solutions, such, for instance, as corrosive sublimate or carbolic acid. The true remedy, however, is not this temporary expedient, nor attempting to hide the dampness by enamel paints, etc.; it is to cut off the source of moisture and to put the waterproof materials outside and not inside the walls.

FRIED MEATS.—These are regarded by all authorities on hygiene as injurious. Burnt grease of any kind is digested with difficulty and is specially harmful to those suffering from dyspepsia. Meats should be roasted, baked, broiled or boiled, but never fried. Those who have coal stoves can easily broil their steaks; those who have wood stoves can do the same with a little management. The fire can be so used as to furnish coals when they are needed; brands may be removed from the fire-box, and the meat in a wire broiler or toaster be placed over the coals. A pair of bellows is useful in keeping the coals bright and glowing. It pays to take a little trouble to have broiled steak, and if one is dyspeptic he should utterly reject all fried meats.

SOMETHING NEW IN BEETS.—Beets are familiar enough boiled or sliced, either served hot with butter, pepper and salt, or pickled; but a novelty is a beet pudding, made by mixing a pint of cooked sugar beets, chopped, with four eggs, a quart of milk, a little salt and pepper, a tablespoonful of butter, and baking them half and hour; cold boiled beets sliced and fried with butter are palatable; to cook them so that none of their color shall be lost, carefully wash them without breaking the skin or cutting off the roots or stalks, and boil them until tender, about an hour, in boiling salt water.

GRAPE LEAVES FOR PICKLES.—A correpondent recommends the use of fresh green grape leaves to place on top of pickles in jars in place of flannel or cloth usually employed. The leaves will preserve the vinegar sharp and clear, and imparts a nice flavor. The leaves should be rinsed in pure water and lett to drain before use and occasionally changed. They exclude the air, and besides imparting a deligatful odor to the pickle, cause less trouble to the housewife.

TO COOK CARROTS.—First scrape them thoroughly, then wash well in cold water, and if very large, cut in halves. Boil in water with a little salt, until soft, which will take an hour or more; when done, take them up and cut with a knife as fine as you can. For six carrots take a piece of butter the size of an egg, and cut it up with them.

FRIENDLY LOAVES.—Beat half a dozen mealy potatoes with a quarter pound of grated ham, two eggs, a little butter, and a little cream, taking care not to make it too moist: form it into balls or small loaves, and fry them a nice light brown; they should be fried in butter. Pile them on a napkin, and serve with a garnish of fried parsley.

FARMERS' TEA CAKE.—To two cups of sour milk allow one large teaspoonful of soda, dissolve this in a little hot water, then stir it in the milk; half a teaspoonful of salt is required and enough buckwheat flour to make a stiff batter. Put this in a well-buttered tin and bake for half an hour in a hot oven.

BAKED BEETS.—Wash them perfectly clean, put in a pan with a little water, and bake until they are tender. The time varies with the size of the beet, an hour being small enough allowance for a beet of medium size. When they are done, remove the skin and serve in the same way that you do a boiled beet.

FOR A SICK PERSON.—A nourishing and pleasant drink for a sick person is made of parched rice. Brown the rice the same as you would coffee; then pour boiling water with a little salt in it over the rice. Let it boil until it is tender; then add sugar or cream to it. It may be strained or not according to taste.

OATMEAL WATER.—Brown a sufficient quantity of of coarse meal, before the fire or in the oven, and pour over it boiling water; cover it close and use it cold. This is considered very useful for stopping sickness.

An officer of the British army has patented a waterproof match, specimens of which have ignited readily after having been wrapped in a damp rag for 24 hours. This is accomplished by coating the phosphorized end of the match with solid paraffine, which, while it protects from slow oxidation, being perfectly impervious to water, does not in the slightest degree interfere with the ready inflammability of the match.

Steel Nails.—Steel nails can be driven into the hardest wood without boring, it is said, going even into white oak knots, without bending. The price of them is about one dollar per keg higher than that of iron nails.

HUMOROUS.

A BRAKEMAN who attended a social dance with a young lady in tow some evenings since, was discovered sitting lonesomely in a corner of the room by one of the floor managers late in the evening, just as a set was forming for the "next quadrille." There was 'one more couple wanted." and the floor manager sang out:

"Come, Bill, get your girl and chassez into place—"

"Can't do it this time," said Bill; "the girl's side tracked for repairs."

"What's the trouble?" inquired the other, with concern, "anything serious?"

"Dunno," the railroader answered, "but I guess she's tryin' to get a misplaced switch in position. We'll make the run if she gets here on sohedule time, you bet."

The girl got there, and all went merry as a locomotive bell for the brakeman and his girl the rest of the evening.

Important Proclamation.

The Hon. Peter Bowe is Sheriff of the City and County of New York. Recently, in conversation with one of our reporters, Mr. Bowe proclaimed the following fact: "I consider St. Jacob's Oil an excellent remedy, and one that ought certainly to find its way into every household. Mrs. Bowe always has a bottle of it there, and makes a family remedy of it."—*New York Evening Telegram*

THE late Dr. Coleman was once traveling in the wilds of Ohio, and, entering a hotel, called for dinner. He noticed, upon sitting down at the table, that there was a glass of whiskey beside his plate. On receiving his bill he found the landlord charged him for his whiskey, "But," said the worthy doctor, "I have made no use of it, and never do." "It was there, and you could have had it; you must pay." "Very well," said the doctor. Some time afterward the doctor was there again, and before eating he placed his medicine case beside his plate. After eating, when paying his bill, he brought in charges for medicine. "But," said the host, "I have not had any." "Ah, but you could have had it; it was on the table!" said the doctor.

A Druggist's Story.

Mr. Isaac C. Chapman, druggist, Newburg, N. Y., writes us: "I have for the past ten years sold several gross of Dr. Wm. Hall's Balsam for the Lungs. I can say of it what I cannot say of any other medicine. I have never heard a customer speak of it but to praise its virtue in the highest manner. I have recommended it in a great many cases of whooping cough, with the happiest effects. I have used it in my own family for many years; in fact, always have a bottle in the medicine closet ready for use."

A LITTLE girl sat on the floor crying. After a while she stopped and seemed buried in thought. Looking up suddenly, she said "Mamma, what was I crying about?" "Because I wouldn't let you go down town." "Oh, yes," and she set up another howl.

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No violent measures in cases of constipation! Medicines which relax the bowels excessively, weaken them, and by thus rendering them incapable of a continuance of their discharging function, increase rather than remedy their inactivity and derangement. The national specific for costiveness is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which invigorates while it relaxes the intestines, expels vitiated bile from the blood and stomach, promotes digestion, stimulates appetite, and enriches the circulation. The tone of all organs, which take an active part in the processes of nutrition and secretion, is improved by this genial tonic, which, by promoting vigor and regularity in the system, is the means of furnishing it with its two most efficient natural safe-guards against malaria, for which in all its forms this medicine is the sure remedy. Kidney and bladder ailments, dyspepsia, liver complaint and rheumatism also yield to it.

LORD Bacon says that "early gray hair is not significant, some of the longest livers have turned gray in early life." His lordship was probably correct, but he never anticipated that every gray head would have the assurance to claim early youth upon the strength of this assertion.

About Once in a Century

somebody discovers a valuable remedy for diseases, as quinine, mercury, chloroform or vaccinia and we think Dr. Slisbee deserves a place in history, for certainly no greater blessing can be offered to man than "Anakesis"—as a certain remedy for piles. It is approved by all doctors and stood without an equal for 25 years. We endorse it without hesitation Sufferers may test it without expense by sending to P. Neustaedter & Co., Box 2416, New York City, for free samples.

"DID you give Johnny the medicine, Mrs. Brown?" asked the doctor, "Oh, yes, doctor," replied the loving mother; and then she added, innocently, "and it don't seem to have done him the least harm,"

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"How is Johnnie doing at school?" asked a lady of Johnnie's mamma during a call, "Splendidly. He talks in two languages now." "Dear me. What are they; French or German?" "Oh, no. English and profane."

"Men must work and women weep,
So runs the world away!"

But they need not weep so much if they use Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," which cures all the painful maladies peculiar to women. Sold by druggists.

"MY daughter," said an up-town mother to her youngest, a girl of eleven. "I wish you would not make up such faces every time anything or anybody displeases you; it isn't nice or at all pretty." "Mamma," earnestly pleaded the miss, "would you take away from me the only pleasure I have?"

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AT a recent political gathering in South Lambeth a gentleman assured the audience that "those persons who had lost their lives in Ireland would certainly say 'No' to the question whether or not the government had been successful."

Hon. H. C. Crossman, Jersey City, says: "I suffered with rheumatism for years; unable to leave the house for months; tried almost everything without relief; finally took Dr. Elmore's R.-G., which cured me.

A YOUNG lawyer appeared before a Washington judge with his umbrella under his arm and his hat on, and, in his agitation, he forgot to lay either aside when he began speaking. "Hadn't you better raise your umbrella?" the Court kindly suggested.

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Mr. A. Nichols, of this place, says he suffered from Catarrh for years. He purchased a bottle of Ely's Cream Balm of us. He is now almost cured, and says you can not recommend it too highly. We are selling more of Ely's Cream Balm than of any other catarrh remedies, can hardly keep a supply on hand.—EVANS BROS., Druggists, Independence, Iowa.

Two Parisian Esaus were taking supper at a farm house near Orleans. All at once one of them made a wry face, called the housewife and showed her a very fine blonde hair in the hare ragout. The good woman smiled and said: "Yes, there is one after all; excuse me gentlemen, I thought I had taken them all out!"

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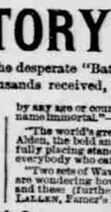

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