

# ECCENTRIC IN EATING

### Pet Fads and Aversions as Displayed at Table.

## ODDITIES OF FAMOUS MEN.

**Byron's Dinner of Mashed Potatoes and Vinegar and What Came After. Erasmus Could Not Eat Fish, and Its Odor Threw Him into a Fever.**

Most of us have met some eccentric diner whose differences from those of the other guests were noticeable. And eccentricity is an elastic word, which may be applied, as will be shown, in various directions. Sometimes it is genuine, a whim or characteristic which is inherent. Sometimes it is the result of a desire to appear singular and attract notice. To this latter motive probably was due Byron's eccentricity at some dinner tables when, refusing, to everybody's astonishment, the ordinary dishes of each course, he simply mashed potatoes on his plate and poured vinegar over them, eating them in silence and drinking only soda water with them. The chronicler of this episode dryly adds that in the evening Lord Byron went to a club and there had an excellent supper, such as a commonplace people would enjoy. The great bard's eccentricity at dinner led to various minor ones imitating it under the idea that it conferred distinction, even as for a similar reason they copied his turndown collar and loosely knotted tie.

Condiments are among the common illustrations of this peculiarity. There is a very old story—nearly a century old, in fact—of a diner in a coffee room who ate no mustard, which so irritated another who held the general opinion that if that after offering it at intervals to the other he jumped up with the usual and said, "Confound it, sir, you shall have mustard!" Some few people dislike salt, which most deem a necessity. Indeed, some years ago a letter appeared in print from a lady who expressed her opinion that salt was most injurious and was never used in her household, saying, indeed, if we remember rightly, that even her bread and butter were homemade to avoid a particle of the mineral being used at her table.

Some people eat salt instead of sugar with puddings, whether from actual preference or the wish for singularity seems doubtful. Others repudiate the mere suggestion of pepper. On the other hand, cayenne is sometimes eaten with everything. Edmund Keane in his latest years used it, he said, to drink brandy with champagne in it, a beverage which is mentioned as having been liked also by Peter the Great when staying at St. Petersburg. Mint sauce every body eats with roast lamb, but some eccentric diners have it served with every joint which is a peculiar taste, indeed, and one which would have been a fine theme for Charles Lamb. The eating of raspberry jam with roast beef is another peculiarity, a variant of the general custom of having red currant jelly with saddle of mutton, which is indeed an exquisite combination.

Water strange antipathies for commonplace edibles are recorded. Thus Cardan loathed eggs. Neither boiled nor poached had they for him the agreeable associations they have for most of us. The mere sight of them made his gorge rise. What would Charles Lamb have said of a Harrobian gentleman who was distinguished for his feats in hunting. Herr

vanghuy, who fainted at the sight of roast pig? M. Chesne, secretary to Francis I., detested that general favorite, the apple, as the sight of one made his nose bleed. The learned Erasmus could never eat fish. Indeed, he said that its odor even was so intolerable to the great Dutchman that it caused feverish symptoms. On the other hand, Quin, the actor, every year the latter part of his life journeyed to the west country to eat John Dory fish from the sea. The famous scholar Scaliger blanched even at the sight of water crosses.

Very often the unfortunate man who is the victim of personal whims is not believed to be so privately. He is not alone, is characterized as fastidious, not to say impudic. But while idiosyncrasies as these are due to the stomach, that impression organ, there are others in those which are due to the mind, and occasioned by the liking for particular views of diners by no means add to the enjoyment of ordinary people at a "respectable board." In the old world of Rome, thus, there is the guest who is worrying himself and everybody else about possible shifts, another who ostentatiously dines fish and roasts and haunts himself to the roast also has the foolish but by no means uncommon idea that it is unbecome unless dried up to an arid crust. If salt be a thing to be shunned by some gastronomes, others have the same notion—which they do not apply to themselves—as to pepper. There are a hearse of table, mackerel to others. Some eye in displaying silence the others who eat in ordinary manner, they themselves being by strict rule with various omissions in the courses; also there is the one who experiments, as it were, on the food, tasting each morsel tentatively and with dubious deliberation as if he were not sure he were not being duped. There are those who are careful if there is the least want of mathematical accuracy in laying the table, who are savants in their special knacks and forks are absent, who always have dry toast or the like at every meal, and who converse on the latest food scare.—London Globe.

**A Haunted Library.**  
One of the most curious "hauntings" occurs in a northern castle of great antiquity, where Mary, queen of Scots, rested when she was being conveyed a prisoner through England. It is manifested in the library and takes the form that the books cannot be kept in order. They move about or are moved about from shelf to shelf. If you arrange the works of Shakespeare in correct order on one shelf, by next morning the volumes are scattered anyhow on different shelves. This has gone on for years. At different times the library has been searched and locked, but it has never been seen all night, and the same occurrence goes on and is confined for not only by the family, but by the guests who have stayed in the house. There is no legend to account for it.—London Modern Society.

**A Long Scold.**  
Brewster, who was returning late from his club, was received by his wife as entering the bedroom with a well rehearsed curtain lecture. Fortunately he had not turned up the gas, and as the door was not closed he quietly slipped out and rejoined his friends at the club. Two hours later he again wended his way home and picked up his ears on reaching the bedroom door.  
"H'm! She didn't notice it!" said he, chuckling to himself. "She's still scolding!"—Glasgow Herald.

**Much Impressed.**  
Professor of Natural History at the zoo—in the animal creation some of the works of nature fill us with awe and admiration for their stupendous size and weight and the colossal proportions on which they are modeled. Here, for instance, is the hippopotamus—Giggly Puff—Ain't he ente?—Baltimore American.

**An Inevitable Intruder.**  
"There are lots of things worth having besides money."  
"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "but it's hard to get most of them unless you have the money first."—Washington Star.

**Why It Is Stranger.**  
"Truth is stranger than fiction," quoted the wise guy.  
"That's because we don't get sufficiently well acquainted with it," added the simple mug.—Philadelphia Record.

## Are You Bankrupt

**IN NERVE FORCE?**  
If you spend three dollars a day and eat two you are sure to come to bankruptcy and yet this is just what thousands of us are doing in regard to health. By overwork, worry and anxiety the energy and vigor of the body is wasted more rapidly than it is built up and the result is bankruptcy of health. Sleeplessness, headaches, indigestion, worn-out feelings, spells of weakness and despondency are some of the symptoms which tell of the approach of nervous prostration or paralysis.

## Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills

Supply in condensed and easily assimilated form the very ingredients from which Nature constructs nervous energy and builds up the human system. They positively overcome the symptoms referred to above and prevent and cure the most serious forms of nervous diseases. 50 cents a box, at all dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N.Y.  
Miss T. Martin, 524 Sherman Avenue, Troy, Ohio, says:  
"By overwork I was compelled to give up such a weakened condition that resulted in nervous prostration. I secured Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills and continued the treatment until I completely restored me to my usual strength and good health."

## A Pretty Big Discount.

"There was a children's hospital in New York which a society lady visited regularly, taking fruit and flowers to the little patients, and in a certain ward a boy was pointed out to her one day as a bad customer.

"'Oh, he is incorrigible,' sighed the nurse.

"Miss Society talked awhile with the little chap, and when she arose to go she said:  
"'See here, I have heard had reports about you. Now, I want you to promise me to be good. If you are good for a whole week, I'll give you a dollar when I come again next Thursday.'

"The boy promised to try to be good. This promise, though, he did not keep. On her next visit Miss Society, going to his cot, said:  
"'I shall not ask the nurses how you have behaved this last week. I want you to tell me yourself. Now, what do you think—do you deserve that dollar I promised you or not?'

"The boy regarded Miss Society with a troubled frown. Then he said in a low voice:  
"'Gimme a nickel.'"—New York Tribune.

## Solution of a Mystery.

Sir Humphrey Davy had been studying one evening in comfortable negligence of dressing gown and nightcap at a little table in his chamber when he became aware of a curious phenomenon. A bright dancing circle of light appeared upon the ceiling. It was unsteady, yet persistent, and he was unable to account for it. He extinguished his lamp, but it only appeared the brighter. It was accompanied by an odor—a scorching odor—and also by a slight sound of sizzling. He was greatly excited and running over rapidly in his mind all kinds of electrical and other interesting theories to account for the mystery when he became aware of a sensation of uncomfortable warmth about the scalp. He hastily put up his hand, and down tumbled his theories and a blazing nightcap. The tassel on its peak had hopped into his eye, and the fascinating problem on the ceiling was no more than the reflection of the evening bonfire on his cranium.

## An Object Lesson in Cleanliness.

To impress upon his youthful mind the importance of guarding against infections the medical student at the laboratory is given this object lesson: Two test tubes nearly filled with a clear meat broth and then closed at the top with a cotton plug are given to him, with directions to wash his hands with soap and water and clean his nails with a brush as thoroughly as he can for some ten minutes. After he thinks that his hands have become altogether clean he removes the plug from one of the test tubes and barely touches with a finger tip its contained broth, after which he restores the cotton plug and puts both tubes away on a shelf for twenty-four hours. What he will see then is that the broth in the test tube which received his supposedly pure touch is turbid from the presence of millions of microbes, while the other tube remains perfectly clear. Everybody's Magazine.

## When Bride and Groom Were Thin.

In the year 1748 Dr. Douglas was made master of Corpus Christi college and then married Miss Malruvaring, a daughter of the Lady Margaret professor of theology. As both were very thin, Mansel wrote as follows:  
St. Paul has declared that persons, though twins,  
In marriage united one flesh shall remain.  
But had he been by when, like Pharaoh's kine, pairing,  
Dr. Douglas of Bennet espoused Miss Malruvaring,  
The apostle no doubt would have altered his tone  
And cried, "These two splinters shall make but one bone!"  
—Fall Mall Gazette.

Insincerity in a man's own heart must make all his enjoyments, all that concerns him, unreal, so that his whole life must seem like a merely dramatic representation.—Hay-therne.

## Rheumatism Badly Cripples a Baldwinsville Farmer

**URIC-O QUICKLY CURED HIM**

**Treated Two Years with a High-Priced Physician with No Success**

Mr. Frank Howe, a prominent farmer in the town of Van Buren, says: "I visited the best physician in this country, who treated me for about two years for rheumatism. I spent in that time several hundred dollars and seemed to grow worse instead of better each day. Being on crutches and forced to drive to the train and hobbling to the doctor's office became very discouraging, let alone the sleepless nights and fearful hours of pain. Being advised by a friend I purchased Smith's Uric-O prescription, took it home and used it that day as directed. 'Those fearful scintillating pains left me, my blood seemed to let loose and flow freely, I felt different and knew the next morning I had found a cure, as I slept and rested well all that night, something I had not done before in two years. I used in all six bottles of Uric-O and have never felt a return of the disease, had no use for crutches or cane since the first day's treatment.  
"I have since recommended Uric-O to hundreds of friends and acquaintances and in every instance it gave remarkable relief. To every person who suffers from Rheumatism I say, take Uric-O at once and your suffering will soon end.  
"FRANK HOWE, Baldwinsville, N.Y."  
Anyone who doubts Mr. Howe's experience is invited to write him for further details. The manufacturers have so much confidence in the remedy that they will gladly give a large 75c bottle of Uric-O free to all Rheumatics who have never used it and are looking for a permanent, lasting cure for this most distressing disease. Address for free trial, Smith Drug Co., Syracuse, N. Y.  
Uric-O is sold and personally recommended in Reynoldsville by Stoke & Felcht.

## Blackening.

Liquid blacking, such as is now used, was invented early in the nineteenth century. Previously various mixtures were used. There are many allusions in eighteenth century literature to shoe blacks and blacking. In the London World of Jan. 31, 1754, Edward Moore, describing the miseries of an author, says that he would rather have started in life as a shoeback had he but had the money to buy or credit to procure "a stool, brushes and blackball." An old kind of blacking consisted of ivory black, very coarse moist sugar and water, with a little vinegar. A mixture of whale oil and soot was used in Gay's time. The author of "Trivia" has several allusions to the "black youth" who stood at street corners then, as now:

Hark! The boy calls thee to his destin'd stand,  
And the shoe shines beneath his oily hand.

Do Foe makes his Colonel Jack describe himself when a boy as a dirty vagabond, "like a 'Black youth' shoes, your honor" a beggar boy, a black-guard boy or what you please, despicable and miserable to the last degree.

Here is another quotation from "Trivia" (1715):  
His troble voice resounds along the mews,  
And Whitehall echoes, "Clean your honor's shoes!"  
—London Notes and Queries.

## Arab Weapons.

Here in Muscat I saw the pure bred Arab man, snow-white, but not tall, a domineering, swaggering nobility in his glance and a brace of daggers in his waist. When I recognized a beautiful half or noticed a slender inlaid native gun or singular shield, I offered to buy, but nothing would induce them to sell. "Sahib," said one man, "I killed my deadliest foe with that blade, right through his black eye. You see this dent in my shield? Ah, that dent was caused by a spear! The shield saved my life. Shall I, then, sell it for money? My gun? No, sahib. I am an Arab, and my gun is my other self. How could I be an Arab if I had no gun? This sword? It belonged to my grandfather—it had killed forty men. By Mohammed, it is true! These marks, sahib; you see these marks? Only one of these marks is out there when a man is killed. I offered three times the value. The answer always was: 'No, sahib, I will not. I cannot.'—Chambers' Journal.

## Some Odd Pockets.

"A music pocket?" said the tailor.  
"Oh, yes, for professional singers I often make music pockets. They run across the back of the coat, as a rule, above the waist, and they hold, without crushing, a half dozen songs. I have three or four pockets among my patrons, and in their business suits I always put handkerchiefs. These pockets are in the sleeve. Their advantage is that the handkerchiefs can be drawn forth without the patron's seeing the action. When a rascally customer sees a decent looking fellow to ward an ordinary pocket he knows what is coming and prepares accordingly, but with my special pocket the handkerchief is on him before he knows where he is at. One of my patrons has his trousers lined from the knee down with leather. Do you know why? Because a dog once bit a large chunk out of the calf of his leg, and he doesn't want to incur such a loss again."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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## LABEL IN DIVORCE.

Annie Long Lockard versus Belmont Jones Lockard.  
No. 190 August Term, 1907. Pleas Subjuncta in Divorce. Filed for Record in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.  
The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, To Belmont Jones Lockard, Greeting:  
We command you, as twice before you were commanded, that all matter of business and causes being set aside, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judge at Brookville, at our Court of Common Pleas, there to be held on the second Monday of January next, to show cause, if any you have, why your wife, Annie Long Lockard, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony which she hath contracted with you the said Belmont Jones Lockard, agreeable to the Petition and Label exhibited against you before our said Court, and this you shall in no case omit at your peril.  
Witness the Hon. John W. Reed, President of our said Court at Brookville, the 14th day of November, A. D. 1907.  
Allowed by the Court.  
Attest: CURTIS H. BLOOD, Prothonotary.  
To Belmont Jones Lockard, Greeting:  
You are hereby notified to appear before the Honorable Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, at Brookville, Pa., on the second Monday of January next, to answer as set forth in the above subpoena.  
GRANT SCHEAFNOCKER, Sheriff.  
Dec. 3, 1907.

# HUMAN RACE AFFLICTED WITH QUEER DISEASE

## Cooper Says Internal Parasites Cause Much Suffering Everywhere.

The following remarkable statement was recently made by L. T. Cooper. It concerns the preparation which has been so widely discussed throughout the country during the past year, and has sold in such enormous quantities in leading cities:  
"It is now a well-known fact that wherever I have introduced my New Discovery medicine, hundreds of people have brought internal parasites, or tapeworms, to me. In many cases these people did not know the nature of the parasite, and were consequently extremely nervous until I explained the matter to them. In some cities so many have had this experience that the public generally became alarmed.  
"I take this opportunity of explaining what these creatures are, and what I have learned about them in the past. Tapeworms are much more common than they would be supposed. I venture to say that ten per cent. of all chronic stomach trouble, or what is known as a 'rundown' condition, is caused by them. An individual may suffer for years with one of these great parasites and not be aware of it.

"Contrary to general belief, the appetite is not greatly increased—it only becomes irregular. There is a general feeling of faintness, however, and a gnawing sensation in the pit of the stomach.  
"People afflicted with one of these parasites are nervous and depressed. Their chief sensation is one of languor, and they tire very easily. Lack of energy and ambition affect the body, and the mind becomes dull and sluggish. The memory becomes not so good, and the eyesight is generally poorer.  
"The New Discovery, in freeing stomach and bowels of all impurities, seems to be fatal to these great worms, and almost immediately expels them from the system. I wish to assure anyone who has the experience just related with my preparation, that there is no cause for alarm in the matter, and that it will as a rule mean a speedy restoration to good health."  
"The Cooper medicines are a boon to stomach sufferers. We sell them. —Stoke & Felcht Drug Co.

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Order of the Court of Quarter Sessions fixing the time at which applications for liquor license may be heard, etc.  
And now, October 10, 1888, it is ordained as follows:  
1. That the third Monday of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and each and every year thereafter, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of each day (being the second Monday in the January term of each year), be and the same is hereby fixed as the time at which applications for license to sell spirituous, vinous, malt or brewed liquors shall be heard, at which time all persons applying or making objections to applications for said licenses may be heard by evidence, petition, remonstrance or counsel.  
2. That licenses then granted shall take effect and be in force one year from the sixteenth day of February next following the granting of the same.  
3. Applications for places not heretofore licensed will be required to establish (1) the fitness of the applicant and (2) the necessity for such licensed place, and in contested cases not more than three sessions of the court shall be heard on the question of the general character of the applicant and the necessity of the place for which a license is desired.  
4. Supplemental petitions and remonstrances in writing, also specific objections to the petition or to the applications as well as specific charges made against him shall be reduced to writing, and filed in the case at least five days before the time fixed for the hearing of the application, otherwise they will not be considered and no evidence will be heard in support of them by the Court. This rule shall not apply to disqualifying houses or places within the five days preceding the hearing.  
5. No spirituous, vinous, malt or brewed liquor, or any admixture thereof, shall be furnished or sold by any licensed vendor between the hours of 10:30 o'clock p. m. and 5:30 o'clock a. m. of each day on which said liquors otherwise may be legally sold.  
6. All orders, rules, or regulations heretofore now in force, which may be inconsistent with the foregoing order and rules, are hereby rescinded.  
J. W. REED, President Judge.

## WHOLESALE.

1. John O'Hair, residence, Reynoldsville borough.  
2. W. H. Heckenroth, Douglass, John Zeckel and Thomas McMinty, doing business under the firm name of W. H. Heckenroth & Co., First Ward, Punnatsawney borough.  
3. William Waughman, residence, Reynoldsville borough.  
4. Gustav M. Herold, residence Reynoldsville borough.  
5. John C. Williams and James G. Vasher, doing business under the firm name of John D. Williams & Co., First Ward, Punnatsawney borough.

## HOTELLERS.

1. John D. Williams and James G. Vasher, doing business under the firm name of John D. Williams & Co., First Ward, Punnatsawney borough.

## DISTILLERS.

1. Punnatsawney Distilling Co., a corporation, at the Distillery of the Punnatsawney Distilling Co., Punnatsawney borough.  
2. The Reynoldsville Distilling Co., a corporation, at the Distillery of the Reynoldsville Distilling Co. in Winslow township, county of Jefferson and State of Pennsylvania.

## CYRUS H. BLOOD.

Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of certain writs of Fieri Facias, etc., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Jefferson county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose to public sale or outcry at the Court House in the Borough of Brookville, Pa., on  
Friday, January 10, 1908,

At 1:00 o'clock P. M., the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

All the defendant's right, title, interest and claim, in and to all that certain tract of land situated in Young township, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post on a 2 1/2 ft. street; thence north 64 degrees east 112 feet to a post on line of land of Thomas Shearer; thence south 55 degrees east 50 feet along lands of said Thomas Shearer to a post; thence south 64 degrees west along lot No. 23 owned by Giuseppe Sala 112 feet to a post on lot No. 24 which was conveyed to Alfonso Maistro Simona, the present owner, by deed dated October 27, 1899 and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for the county of Jefferson in deed book vol. 83, page 491, as by reference thereto will more fully and at large appear. Having thereon erected a one story dwelling house and necessary outbuildings.

Said tract, taken in execution and to be sold on the property of Alfonso Maistro Simona, at the suit of Joseph Bonfield and Rafael Bonfield, trading under the firm name of Bonfield Brothers.  
Fl. Fa. No. 12. BROWN.

ALSO—all the defendant's right, title, interest and claim, of, in and to all that certain parcel and lot of land situated in the town of Florence, McCallmont township, Jefferson county, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post on Reynoldsville road, thence south 32 degrees 10 minutes west 87 1/2 feet along said road to a post; thence south 4 degrees 10 minutes west sixty-two feet along Front street to a post; thence south 88 degrees 50 minutes east one hundred and thirty feet along Fifth street to a post; thence north 32 degrees 10 minutes east forty-five feet along an alley to a post; thence north 57 degrees 50 minutes west one hundred and forty-four feet to place of beginning, containing one-fourth acre more or less, being lot No. 472 in town of Florence, vide Deed Book Vol. 97, page 596. Excepting and reserving all the coal rights, mineral, etc., in and upon the land, and full as reserved in deed last cited. Having thereon erected a two-story 6 roomed dwelling house and necessary outbuildings.  
Set aside, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Andrew Anderson and Ellen O. Anderson, his wife, at the suit of The Home Building and Loan Association.  
Fl. Fa. No. 16. WINSLOW.

## TERMS:

The following must be strictly complied with when property is stricken down:  
1. When the plaintiff or other lien creditor becomes the purchaser, the cost of the writs must be paid, and a list of liens, including mortgage searches on the property sold, together with such lien creditor's receipts for the amount of the proceeds of the sale or such proportion thereof as he may claim must be furnished to the Sheriff.  
2. All bids must be paid in full.  
3. All sales not settled immediately will be continued until two o'clock p. m. of day of sale at which time all property not settled for will again be put up and sold at the expense and risk of the person to whom first sold. All writs staid after being advertised, the cost of advertising must be paid.  
GRANT SCHEAFNOCKER, Sheriff.  
December 17, 1907.

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