RUINED ..... BY PIE!

Love for This Pastry Barred Him Out of the Pulpit and Drove Him to Forgery.

A most singular case is now in the courts at Kingston, N. Y. A young man living there was lately found to be a forger, and when he confessed he said he was driven to the crime by an ungovernable gluttony for mince pie. To satisfy his craving he had forged the signature of a wealthy man to a note for $1000, and had got the paper discounted. With the proceeds he went on a mince-pie spree, and had devoured $60 worth of this pastry before he was arrested.

According to his story his extraordinary liking for mince pie began to show itself when he was a boy. He seemed even then to feel that there was something abnormal in his appetite, for he went voluntarily to Bloomingdale Asylum in the hope of being cured of gluttony. After he came out he believed he was cured and began to study for the ministry. But in a fatal hour, about two years later, the mania for pie came on him with irresistible power. He broke into the housekeeper's closet in the Auburn Theological Seminary, where he was a student, and gorged himself with mince pie. His relapse so preyed upon him that he went to the faculty, he says, and they advised him to drop his studies, as it would be detrimental to the ministerial calling for him to enter it with such a fatal appetite for mince pie. He would be likely to suffer a seizure of his mania at a supper in the church parlors or at the table of one of his flock, and create an unforgetable scandal. He took the advise of the faculty and went to peddling clothes wringers and bed springs, but his malady was now so deep-seated that he subordinated everything to his craving. He developed an unusual cunning in stealing mince pie, or in getting the money with which to purchase it. "I would be tempted," said he, "and fall; go to a restaurant and eat a pie and a half or two pies. I became as helpless a victim of the mince-pie habit as the drunkard is of the drink habit. I have sometimes pawned my watch or my overcoat when I have seen an uncommonly luscious pie in a window and have not had enough ready money to buy it."

Then came the forging of the note and the pie orgy which ended in his arrest. After hearing his story a commission was appointed to inquire into his sanity, and is likely that, instead of being sent to a penitentiary, he will be placed in a lunatic asylum. He is described as a thin, nervous-looking man with a wild expression, which is disappointing, for many a man of New England ancestry would be glad to cultivate this lunacy if it would not spoil his complexion and keep him awake nights.

The Value of Oyster-Shells. — A dispatch to the *American* from Crisfield last week said that large sales of oyster shells were being made to Virginia planters. The reason for this is easily given. Twelve years ago the Maryland legislature appointed a commission to consider the oyster question and make recommendations as to how the supply could be increased. Part of the report was an explanation of the value of oyster shells. They had found, by several experiments, some of which were mentioned, that it was possible to build a new oyster bed with dead shells. It is not that the dead shells give forth life again, but that they become the surface upon which the young oysters attach themselves, and a bed of this kind is the best in the world. The commission found this conclusion: "Since a natural bed tends to remain permanent, because of the presence of oyster shells, the shelling of the bottoms where there are no oysters establishes new beds, or increases the area of the old ones." Very wisely are the Virginians profiting by this fact. That is why they are making money out of oysters, while our Maryland oystermen are scarcely making enough to live on. We would like to see those oyster shells put back in the Maryland waters, instead of being carried to Virginia. Our people along the Chesapeake should heed this.

MRS. BRICKROW—"Mercy!" Did you borrow this butter of Mrs. Nextdoor?"

Daughter—"Yes."

"It's horrid!" It's positively awful! We can't use it at all."

"What shall we do!"

"You must run to the store and buy some. Get the best. As for this, put it on the ice until to-morrow, and then take it back to Mrs. Nextdoor, with thanks for the accommodation, of course. Don't tell her it is the same butter, because it might hurt her feelings. I suppose it is the best she can afford, poor thing."

Mrs. Nextdoor (the next day)—"Of all mean people, those Brickrows take the lead. Yesterday I loaned them a cup of butter, and they have sent back some stuff that isn't fit for axle grease."

Can Anyone Locate This Man?—We have received the following letter official at Medina, Michigan, and would be glad if anyone could give us the necessary information leading to his identity:

"*Dear Sir*:—The Secretary of State referred me to you as a person who could doubtless give me the information I desire. It is this: I want the address of Alfred H. Christopher, aged about 70 years. He went to your State about fifteen years ago and bought a farm or farms—the records will show where. Please give me the name of anyone who will be likely to know anything about him. My object in finding him is, his only brother is dead and left quite a large estate. If alive he is the sole heir."

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—*Boston Courier.*

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Botany, geometry,
Greek and trigonometry,
Ram it in, cram it in,
Children's heads are hollow.

Rap it in, tap it in;
What are teachers paid for?
Bang it in, slam it in;
What are children made for?
Ancient archæology,
Aryan philology,
Parsody, zoology,
Physics, clymatology,
Calculus and mathematics,
Rhetoric and hydrostatics;
Hoax it in, coax it in,
Children's heads are hollow.
—*Arthur's Home Magazine.*

A Girl's Composition.

Boys are men that have not got as big as their papas, and girls are women that will be ladies by-and-by.

Man was made before woman.

When God looked at Adam he said to himself, "Well, I think I can do better if I try again."

And then he made Eve.

God liked Eve so much better than Adam that there have been more women than men ever since.

Boys are a trouble.

They wear out everything but soap.

If I had my way, half of the boys in the world would be girls, and the rest would be dolls.

My papa is so nice that I think he must have been a little girl when he was a little boy.

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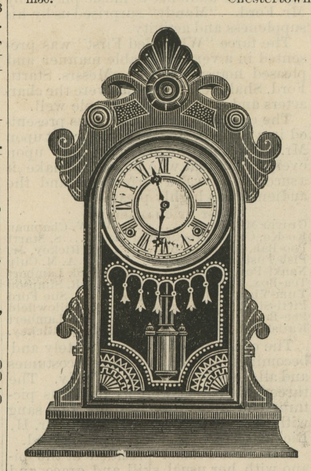

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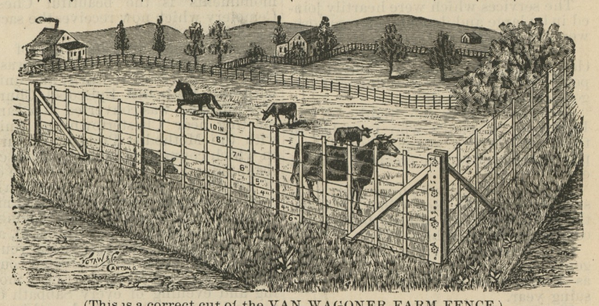

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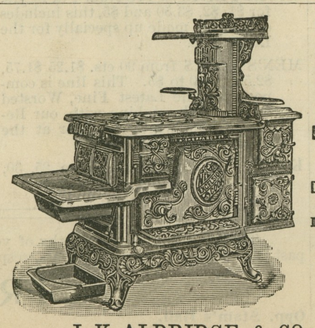

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