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**A JAPANESE IDEA.**

Even we Americans with all our vaunted perfection along all lines, are not, in truth, too perfect to learn lessons from other nations not so high in the scale. This fact was shown clearly to us by reading a dispatch the other day telling how the Japanese served meats, chicken being given as the example.

Instead of cooking the chicken and cutting it up in a few pieces at random as we do, with bone attached, the Japanese deftly remove the bones from the different parts and serve only the meat. So if you were to go into a Japanese eating house and call for a certain part of a chicken, say the wing, you would presently be supplied with a dainty little dish containing all the meat once connected with the wing, with the bone taken out.

Now it stands to reason, and all will agree that this is by far the best and least troublesome way of feasting on chicken.

According to our way of serving chicken most of the pleasure of the sweet meat of the wing is lost in the aggravating and worrysome task of getting it free from the bone. And the criminal operation that must be practiced in order to get the meat of the fish, according to the American way of doing it, is likely to end, either in death, from a swallowed bone, or nervous collapse from the sheer ordeal of getting it at it. Yes, we would do well to follow the Japs, at least in this particular.

**CLEAN SHEET CRUSADE.**

Count on Georgia for the unexpected and the unusual! Those who had the idea that only old maids were particular as to the details and niceties of life must take a second thought. Aside from the many political dispatches from good old Georgia, and as a kind of diversion, came one on yesterday stating that the travelling men of that commonwealth had inaugurated a "clean sheet crusade." Think of it, and it was men who did it at that!

A bill is to be presented to the Legislature requiring the hotel keepers and inn keepers to change the sheets on their beds at least once a week. These old travelling bachelors say they want a sheet to sleep on which has not been used by other travelling bachelors for six days. Quarantining against themselves!

The price of cotton must of necessity advance after the passage of such a law, and the demand for sheets in the "Empire State" will be the watch word of the travelling public.

No doubt these patrons of cleanliness will provide themselves with banners labelled, "Clean sheets or boycott" for when a travelling man sets his head he is hard to turn.

Well, seriously there is no sweeter pleasure than to lie down tired at night between clean and healthy sheets. One can dream better. The reverse is just the opposite. But what a burning insult to the good house wives of the Georgia hotel keepers, and made by the unspeakable "men" at that!

And the Socialist sat him down and dreamed a dream of fields Elysian, where money grew on trees, where harmony was as boundless as the air and where strife and dissension was an unknown quantity; where people lived in herds, care free and ecstatic; of the land where there were no rich men, no opposing elements, a land flowing with milk and honey; served up to every one free of charge. The dreamer awoke and vainly sought to live out his dream. He lived a life in the air, a life out of concord with his fellowmen, born to sorrow and work. The dreamer was a nonentity, and the men who were the salt of the earth, toiled on, looking occasionally with pity at the blatherskite, who did naught but dream.

Hurrah for the old Palmetto State! We reach over the border line and extend our hand with the most hearty congratulations at the result of the fight in the Legislature in excluding the dispensary, and introducing prohibition. It does us good to hear that our sister state, and the one dearest to us, has at last freed herself from the legal sale of whiskey in any form, and has started upon an era of prohibition and temperance. May the richest blessings of the Gods be showered upon old South Carolina, and may her eyes ever be open to wisdom, as they were on yesterday.

Its, "now you're married, now you're not," with Mrs. Yerkes alias Mrs. Mizner. The parson in the last instance must have been exceedingly low of speech, for she seems to be in doubt as to the authenticity of it all.

**GREATER CHARLOTTE.**

The News stands for greater Charlotte first, last and all the time. It hopes to see a continuance of the wonderful growth of this city. It will not hesitate to oppose any movement that will likely impede this growth.

It desires to go on record as opposed to the incorporation of Dilworth as a separate town. It would view such a move as unfriendly to the best interests of this city, and it hopes that the efforts to establish a separate city out of one of Charlotte's most flourishing suburbs will be abandoned.

Charlotte would be fearfully handicapped if her suburbs were permitted to form separate incorporations, and the opportunities for building a great city here would be lost.

We think the movement to incorporate Dilworth is against the best interest of Charlotte, and we hope it will be abandoned.

We stand for "Greater Charlotte."

We referred to the unusual tastes of a Congressman who should choose to give his fiancée a poodle dog, and of the unusual likings of a President's daughter who should adore one, recently in an editorial. The Wilmington Messenger, always capable of going you one better, expresses the opinion that for a lover to land his fiancée before a congregation, of which she is a part, has that beat. Well, we pass, for there is no telling what a pair will do during that slushy, gushy, period, just prior to the wedding.

It makes no difference to us whether the speaker is "Mother Jones" or "Father Time," so long as the theme is Socialism, you are welcome to our ticket, though we advise you not to use it. The lecture will not benefit you and the chances are it will hurt you. We were always suspicious of a lecture, entitled, "Let Reason Speak." That is the mask the devil uses and it usually acts as a blind to something behind the curtain which it wouldn't pay to advertise.

There is something wrong with the law of the land when a criminal such as Major W. E. Breese, of Asheville, goes entirely unpunished on account of a technicality. The man who pilfered a bank, and squandered the savings of honest people should not be able to go scot free because a grand-juror had failed to pay his taxes. Justice has suffered defeat in this case.

Although the benignant smile of dear Teddy circled, wavered and soared as the "winged eagle," it finally lit square on the head of Brother Holton. The reflection of that smile has caused some, who once courted it, to grow strangely purblind and peevish.

Those who enjoy sport of the highest order will do well to provide themselves with tickets and go down to the Y. M. C. A. this evening to the big basket ball game between Wake Forest college and the Y. M. C. A. team. It will be great, and a night enjoyed.

Just like the Spring flowers, the candidates, one by one, begin to poke their heads above the surface. Some will end up with heads elated, some with heads be-headed. Just wait and watch the results.

If Greensboro is compelled to go through with another siege like that with "Old Nick" and Samuels, she will have a good conception of that virtue usually known as patience.

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