

**Rules and Directions for Preserving Fruit.**

1. Let everything used for the purpose be delicately clean and dry; bottles especially so.
2. Let fruit for preserving be gathered always in perfectly dry weather, and be free from morning and evening dew. When bottled it must be steamed during the day on which it is gathered, or there will be great loss from the bursting of bottles.
3. Never place a preserving kettle flat upon the fire, as this will render the preserve liable to burn to, as it is called—that is, to adhere closely to the metal, and then to burn; it should rest always on a trivet.
4. After the sugar is added to them stir the preserves gently at first, and more quickly toward the end, without quitting them until they are done.
5. All preserves should be perfectly cleaned from the scum as it rises.
6. Fruit which is to be preserved in syrups must first be balanced or boiled gently, until it is sufficiently softened to absorb the sugar, and a thin syrup must be poured on as first or it will shrivel instead of remaining plump and becoming clear.
7. To preserve both the true flavour and color of fruit in jams and jellies, boil them rapidly until they are reduced, before the sugar is added, and quickly afterward, but do not allow them to become so much thickened that the sugar in them will not dissolve easily and throw up its scum; the drop which adheres to the skimmer will show the state it has reached.
8. Never use tin, iron, or pewter spoons or skimmer for preserves, as they will convert the color of red fruit into a dingy purple, and impart an unpleasant flavour.
9. When cheap jams or jellies are required make them with Lisbon sugar, but use that which is well refined, always, for preserves in general; it is a false economy to purchase an inferior kind, as there is great waste from it in the quantity of scum it throws up. The best is the cheapest.

**Gems of Thought.**

It costs more to revenge wrongs than it does to bear them.

There are times when although speech might be silver, silence is gold.

Where true fortitude dwells, loyalty, honesty, friendship and fidelity may be found.

No one ought to enjoy what is too good for him; he ought to make himself worthy of it, and rise to its level.

The flattery of friends and enemies would do us very little harm if we didn't unfortunately flatter ourselves.

It is a dangerous thing to treat with a temptation, which ought at first to be rejected with disdain and abhorrence.

He is happy whose circumstances suit his temper; but he is more fortunate who can suit his temper by any circumstances.

Some people sink all enjoyment of present comfort in the foreboding apprehension of future evils, which may never happen.

If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put foundations under them.

A fool in high station is like a man on the top of a mountain; everybody appears small to him, and he appears small to everybody.

Our brightest moments are those which frequently arise to us from the bosom of care and anxiety; the gems that sparkle upon the dark ground.

**A True Story.**

"Shon, mine son," said a worthy German father to his hopeful first of ten years, whom he had overheard using profane language—"Shon, mine son, come here, and I will tell you a lidded story. Now, mine son, shall I be a drue story, or a makes-believe?"

"Oh a true story, of course," answered John.

Ferry vell den. Tere vas vone a goot, nice old shenkenman (shoot like me). And vone day he heard his son shwearin'—like a young filian as he vas. So he went to the winkle (corner) and dook out a cowhides, shoot as I am doing now, and he dook der liddle black-guard by der collar, (dis vay, you see), and velloped him shoot so!

And den, mine tear son, he pulled his ears dis vay, and smack his face dis vay, and dell him to go midont his supper, shoot as you will do dis dayning."

**One Thing She Didn't Do.**

Two friends were discussing the merits of their respective wives, when one said: "I wouldn't have such a wife as you have, Smith."

"Why not?" asked Smith. "I heard that she makes you do all the work about the house."

"Who told you so?" "Oh a friend of mine."

"Well, I'll tell you one thing that she doesn't do," replied Smith.

"What is it?" "She doesn't get up at twelve o'clock at night, in the dead of winter and throw me out of the back window into a snow-bank six feet deep, and then say, 'Freeze to death, you miserable pup, if you want to.' And I have heard that your wife has done that to you, so you needn't brag about your matrimonial partner."

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**CASH FOR PRODUCE.**  
 Specialties kept in Season. Sausages, Finnan Haddies, Oysters, &c.

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The Best that ever came into Acton, for Price, Style and Quality.

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Will receive careful attention, and all work guaranteed to give satisfaction

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And is prepared to attend and conduct Funerals on the shortest notice and most moderate terms.

**Caskets, Coffins, Burial Robes,**

And all kinds of Funeral Furnishings kept in stock, and supplied on the shortest notice.

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**NEW CHOICE GOODS**

Cheaper than Old Bankrupt Stock at Half price—Cheap because just the goods wanted—Cheap, because Fresh and New.

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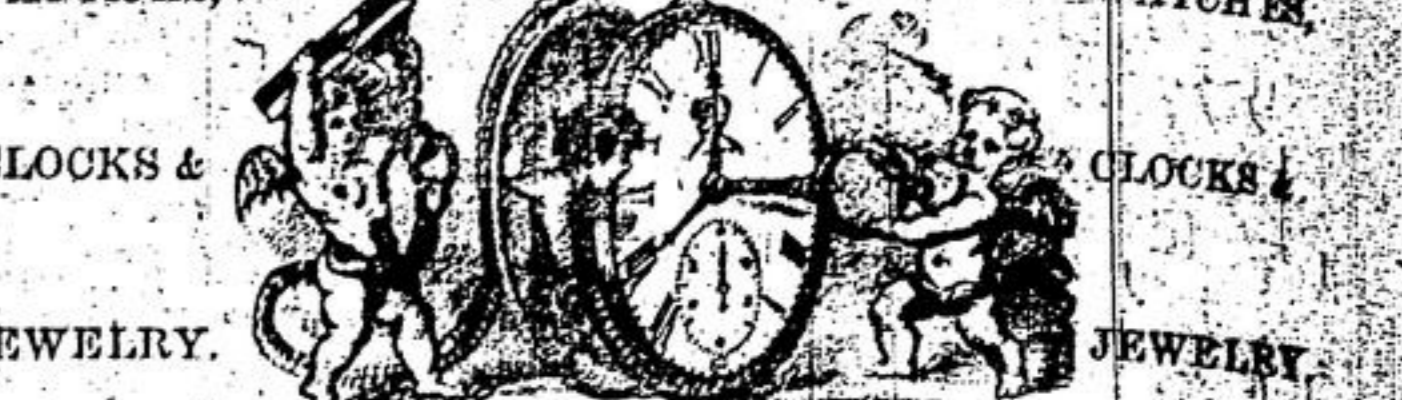
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