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under right of eminent domain but when it kills his wife or child and is sued for the damages that the state laws allow, this same non-resident corporation removes the case into the federal court where all recovery may be denied.

"The federal courts are exceedingly jealous of their jurisdiction and resolve every doubt in favor of it. When an injury is caused through the negligence of a resident and a non-resident corporation the application for removal is made by the non-resident corporation on the ground of separable controversy or local prejudice, and in passing on the question the state court is not permitted to pass on any question of fact so that the federal court determines the question of its own jurisdiction and enjoins the state court if it interferes with it.

"Removal of causes to federal courts is an outrage that is perpetrated daily and it calls aloud for a remedy. These judges should be elected by the people. At present they are owned by the corporations. They are bribed by 'courtesies.' They ride to distant winter resorts in the private cars of railway presidents and are entertained by railway lawyers. They cannot be superior to these temptations and they are bound to repay these 'courtesies' by judicial favors.

he fails in the most technical detail in the way of proof he is non-suited or if he establishes his case by the strongest proof he is non-suited because of alleged assumption of the risk or his own contributory negligence. If, however, the plaintiff be permitted to submit the issues to a jury the right of recovery is so circumscribed and obscured by unfavorable instructions and his evidence is so discredited by the adverse comments of the corporation trained judge that little is left for the determination of the jury.

POISON IN FOODS

American Medicine, published at Philadelphia, is inclined to think that the public has allowed itself to become over-excited over the pure food question. It declares there is nothing particularly new in this matter of adulterated foods, though from the agitation that is being conducted one might suppose our ancestors had never heard of anything of the kind.

"It is, no doubt, disquieting to know that creosote, a rank poison, is put on our hams, or in the Scotch whisky we might prescribe for others, but these fears disappear when we learn that the old-fashioned smokehouse or burnt barrels did the same to the bacon and whisky of our forefathers.

"Copper, once thought dangerous in small quantities, is now known to be quite harmless, and cooking vessels of this metal are permitted. The minute quantities of dyes used in our ice cream or cake or to color our butter to its proper appetizing yellowness, are quite harmless.

The remarks of the Philadelphia journal are somewhat comforting. We don't want to suffer unnecessarily from alarm. We have the right, though, to know exactly what we are getting when we buy food products. Every bottle of pickles or tomato catsup, every can of peaches or preserves or peas or corn, everything, in fact, that goes into the human stomach, should be as nearly pure as it can be made.

ANOTHER HUMORIST

Although Mark Twain is devoting his energies to prodding the King of Belgium and most of the things Mr. Depew is thinking of do not remind him of a story, there has been no eclipse of the gayety of nations. Recruits aplenty are mustered in to fill the gaps in the ranks of the great army of humorists.

Hardly have the sides of the body politic ceased shaking over Mr. Harriman's merry quips before the insurance committee than H. H. Rogers of the Standard Oil company begins chasing dull care back to Missouri. Mr. Rogers' jests are the more spontaneous. Mr. Harriman's jokes are grim and saturnine, like Mr. Ryan's philanthropy.

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