

father came. In mentioning this word "shelves" there comes to my mind certain other things or words used which I do not think are ever heard in this country now unless by new comers from abroad.

There was the stick that mother used to stir the porridge with. I have come across this word "books" but mostly of Scottish origin. That is the word "thieval". This was used as I said to stir the oatmeal when making the porridge. It was also used in the making of what we called "boiled milk". I have no other name for it but it was a food of which we were all particularly fond, and it required a certain amount of skill in the proper stirring, to get the proper article.

The process was surely to put on some ^{water} to heat, and before it came to the boil, instead of putting in oatmeal as in the making of porridge or ordinary flour was used. This was carefully taken up in the hand and very steadily dropped into the milk. But here the "thieval" had to be carefully used, & the finished article was as though the flour became granulated, in the form of little pellets about the size of peas. With some sugar put on it after being dished up. It was a common part of our food supply, and we all appreciated it very much.

Gallows: Braces to hold the legs

Did you ever hear of such a word as "keofert" Well that was another word that was used instead of keg or fork in which the butter was salted down.

"Lat stoop" meant a gate post. "Po wha" was the hole in the ground in which the post was put.

"Graving" in the garden, was really "digging"

I was recently at a show, at which there was a parade of women in the dresses worn seventy years or more ago, it was the ambition of very many women at that time that they should have a black silk dress. And really that ambition was not confined to the wealthier folks, it required a very at least seven yards of material to make up this dress. In this parade was one who wore a dress of the fashion in vogue nearly two hundred years ago. But to get to the time of my own recollections there was the crinoline. Whatever was that, and what was the necessity for this article of clothing? Well certainly modern methods do away with a lot of material. But at that time, there was plenty of clothing, & which reached from as high as the top of the neck to the ground on which the person wearing the same walked, sometimes trailing the ground for any thing up to several feet. But the ordinary dress, from corsets or stays, to give the body