

OYSTERS AGAIN! - - The Mayor of Colchester
inaugurates the Colne fisheries - - at Brightlingsea - -
with gin and gingerbread !

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Picture.:- To-day is a great day in Colchester ! The Mayor--
--and Corporation inspect the Town's Oyster Beds. The first
dredge is--
--hauled up. Breathless tension ! Are the oysters good this
season ? Will--
--they be 'measley' and thin, or--
--succulent and fat ? The oyster won't tell until the
truth is forced--
--from him. The Mayor is cheered for his first catch,--
--and the King's health is drunk in gin--
--and eaten in gingerbread. Why the gingerbread ?
Now the great moment ! The first bivalve is
tilted--
--down the throat of His--
--Worship. Is it a credit to the city oyster beds ?
It is !