

A black and white photograph of two empty white plates stacked on a textured surface. The top plate is slightly offset, showing its rim and the surface of the plate below it. The plates are clean and empty, with some minor speckling visible on the surface of the bottom plate. The background is a dark, textured material, possibly a tablecloth or placemat.

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***NOTHING
TO EAT***

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Nothing to Eat

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Mrs. Merdle, having “Nibbled a Little” for two Hours at Dinner, retireth from the Table unsatisfied.

The Poet Moralizeth—He Discourseth to those who Gorge and Complain.

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FINIS.

“I'll nibble a little at what I have got.”

**—“My appetite's none of the best.
And so I must pamper the delicate thing.”**

**—The least mite will suffice:
A side bone and dressing and bit of the breast.
The tip of the rump—that's it—and one of the
fli's"**

**{Illustration: “PROTESTING, EXCUSING, AND
SWEARING A VOW, SHE'D NOTHING WORTH EATING
TO GIVE US FOR DINNER.”}**

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