

RISE OF THE TURKEY TO ITS PRESENT HONORS

Once New England Rejected It at the Thanksgiving Dinner Table.

IN DEMAND EVERYWHERE

"Spread Eagle" and Other Famous Dishes—Great Men Fond of Turkey.

Almost six-hundred miles of 30-ton box cars are required for the transportation of turkeys for the Thanksgiving dinner of the people of this country.

The center of the turkey producing industry is not far from the center of the population of the continental United States, near Bloomington, Ill.

In proportion to land occupied for raising high grade turkeys Rhode Island ranks first with Massachusetts in second place.

The principal achievements of turkey raisers within five years have been a remarkable general improvement in stock that has eliminated the run-down breeds.

The famous landlords of fifty and sixty years ago who ran the world's finest hotels from Maine to Oregon, men like Parson Stevens of the Revere House, Boston.

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In the early days of the Thanksgiving dinner in Plymouth Colony and among the Puritans and their descendants settled along Boston Bay and the north shore of Massachusetts.

He also told the alleged story of the starving condition of the Pilgrims and of their being reduced at one time to a dinner of three grains of corn.

What the Pilgrims and the Puritans craved for in the early years of the settlement was roast beef and mutton, pork, wheat, oat and barley bread, venison pasties made from the red deer stock.

As lately as fifty years ago many families in New England of undoubted descent from the Pilgrims and Puritans regarded roasted or baked turkey as an Indian dish.

Senator Daniel Webster at his farm in New Hampshire and at Marshfield, Mass., seems to have been one of the earliest advocates of improving the turkey.

saddle of mutton from his New Hampshire place or a hunch of a deer shot by himself in Plymouth woods.

In those days plenty of wild turkeys were found in woods within twenty-five miles of the City Hall and many organizations of volunteer firemen and mechanics made up as target shooting companies spent Thanksgiving Day blazing away in the woods at turkeys or in shooting turkeys for prizes in the stable yards of inns in and near this city.

About 1855 a great householding boom set in here and in Brooklyn and adjacent towns in New Jersey. Most of the dwelling houses were of wood and cost not more than \$5,500 each with land.

Boarding houses hereabout declined largely in numbers, well to do people ceased living at public hotels if they had growing families.

The brooding of roasted turkeys to a uniform color throughout and the partial stuffing of the birds with truffles and an oyster and chestnut stuffing, mixed with rare Madeira wine, was invented by Dominick Lynch, a beau of the early decades of the last century.

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King Edward VII., travelling here in 1860 under the name of Baron Renfrew, conceived a liking for roasted turkey with oyster and chestnut dressing and with cranberry sauce and for Albemarle pappus and Baldwin apples.

"Spread Eagle" a young turkey, split and broiled over a hot wood fire and served with a sauce of chopped oysters, calves, wild celery and apples mixed with old brandy and Madeira wine.

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These animals have been given to the government of the province by C. H. Lucas, Sr., the intention being to turn them loose in the wilds of the Rockies and allow them to increase until their numbers warrant the passing of a game ordinance allowing them to be shot in limited numbers.

As they well be imagined, the news created quite an excitement at the metropolitan chess clubs and everybody is anxious to know the real reasons for the breakdown of the scheme. The tournament manager, F. D. Rosenbaum, volunteers very little to explain the situation. He main-

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AT THE CHESS BOARD: GAMES AND PROBLEMS

Proposed New York-Havana Congress Seems to Be Failure After All.

ALMOST A CATASTROPHE. Absence of Treasurer Delays All Chance of Quickly Solving Fizzle.

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It is confidently expected that additional efforts will be made to arrange some sort of a tournament, but nothing can be done until the return of Mr. Kahn to this city.

Thanksgiving day will be celebrated by the members of the Rice Chess Club with a grand banquet open to all comers in their rooms, 202 West Avenue.

The fourth game of the match between A. Knecht and A. Marier was played on Saturday afternoon at the Manhattan Chess Club.

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