

His Thanksgiving Day

A TRIM and dainty maid was she. In lilac calico; Around her slender waist was tied An apron white as snow,



HE WATCHED HER FROM THE OPEN DOOR.

For in the sunny kitchen wide Of a farmhouse far away She cooked the turkey to a turn Upon Thanksgiving day.

HE watched her from the open door, For he was very shy, And all his manly courage fled Before her roguish eye. He lay awake the livelong night Until the east was gray And memorized a flowery speech To her Thanksgiving day.

"STAR of life, my heart is thine. Pray, wilt thou be my bride?" Was something like the way it ran, But now his tongue was tied, And though she sought to lead him on With looks and laughter gay, The sweet coquette, he only sighed On that Thanksgiving day.

BUT, lo, when from the oven's depths The smoking bird she drew And dished it in a paper frill Upon a platter blue,



"OH, WILL YOU COOK MY TURKEY, DEAR?" The bashful lover seized her hand And dared at last to say, "Oh, will you cook my turkey, dear, On next Thanksgiving day?" —Minna Irving in Leslie's Weekly.

A THANKSGIVING RECIPE



A little turk, A little jerk, A little clerk, A little dirk, Will make a little dinner.

Thanksgiving. Let us give thanks! What! You haven't got Anything to be thankful for, Or You have got What You can't be thankful for? Oh, say, That's no way To feel about a good thing! Brace up and bring Yourself to the front. Don't growl and grunt And do the sorry stunt. Pull out of the ruck If you're down on your luck And reach for the skies that are blue. Get out of the shade Your troubles have made. By heck, it is up to you! We know this is a vale of tears, Chucky of woe and sorrow, And turkey that we eat today Is not so good tomorrow. We know that labor is a cross, But still we have to bear it. We know that fortune breaks sometimes, And we cannot repair it. But, say, Occasionally good things come our way. Don't they? Sure they do, And bully ones too. So let us growl and swear and kick On every day save one. On that one let us pause and thank The Lord for what he's done The way we thought he ought to do To square himself with me and you. Say, We can stand for one Thanksgiving day. Can't we? By gum. If everything is on the bum We must be to blame some! What!

The First Thanksgiving. The first Thanksgiving in New England is described in a letter written to a "loving and old friend" and dated at "Plymouth, this 11th of November, 1621." This "loving and old friend" is supposed to have been a certain George Morton, who had married a sister of Governor Bradford and who came over to Plymouth in July, 1623. The letter is signed E. W., and these are taken to be the initials of Edward Winslow. Of the 102 emigrants who landed on the 11th (old style) of December, 1620, on the bleak coast of Cape Cod, almost one-half had died and nearly all of the remainder had suffered seriously from destitution and the rigors of the winter, for which they were ill prepared. The reward, however, of the industry of the few who were not disabled was so abundant as to call forth the thankfulness of this very religious colony. The letter alluded to says: "You shall understand that in this little time that a few of us have been here we have built seven dwelling houses and four for the use of the plantation and have made preparation for seven others. We net the last spring some twenty acres of barley and peas, and, according to the manner of the Indians, we manured our ground with herrings, or, rather, shads, which we have in great abundance and take with great ease at our doors. Our corn did prove well, and, God be praised, we had a good increase of Indian corn, and our barley indifferent good, but our peas not worth the gathering."

THE MOVING PICTURE TRUST

[In making western moving pictures care should be taken to keep the atmosphere realistic and avoid anachronisms.—A Dramatic Paper.] WE love the moving picture play That shows the woolly west 'E'en though the actor cowboy's way Sets truthfulness at rest. Clothespins to clip him to his steed Would seem to be his greatest need. The sheriff, also, is a "beaut," Who never fails to please. It is his habit to shoot Each cattle thief that flees. And, though he smeth at the sky, His quarry 'e fails to die. But most of 'em, like the maid Who is the cowboy's bride, In buckskin always she's arrayed. Her hat brim's three feet wide. It may be such girls never grow, But that's just why we love her so. So do not make the picture show Too realistic, please. Just let the films uncensored flow The while folk sit at ease And see the west of grip and thrill, Invented by one But'ler Bill. —Arthur Chapman in Denver Republican.

Eclipse. "Can you direct me to Creeker's cascade?" The old man in the doorway of the cottage did not make immediate answer. He regarded his interrogator for a space. Then he began: "Take the fust to the right an' foler it till you comes to a fork where there's a clump o' bushes," he began slowly. "Then stroke off to the left. Foller the path till you comes to the next crossroad, an' then you'll come on Abe Sorrell's house. You'll know him; cos he wears plaid overalls, an' Ol never see anything like them any-where else—Ol never did! Green an' blue plaid they are, an' yer can't keep from laughin' when yer sees 'em, Ol bet! There was—" "Excuse me," cut in the traveler, "but I haven't much time. Will Abe Sorrell be able to direct me to the beautiful cascade, then?" "Mebbe he will, an' mebbe he won't," responded the old man, chuckling. "But arter you've seen them plaid overalls a little mess o' water runnin' over a little mess o' rocks'll seem pretty tame to ye!"—Answers.

Bringing Up a Child. Clergyman—Did your mother try to inculcate lessons of thrift? Chicago Show Girl—Indeed she did. Many's the time she said to me when I was a child, "Maggie, never live beyond your alimony."—Life.

Wouldn't Stand For It. A boy who had been going to one of the public schools in Buffalo left school to go to work for a small manufacturer. The boy was dull, and his stupidity annoyed the manufacturer greatly. After two weeks of trial the manufacturer discharged the boy at the end of the week on Saturday night. "You're discharged," the manufacturer said. "Go and get your pay and let that be the last of you. You're discharged." On Monday morning the manufacturer was much surprised to see the boy in his former place at work. "Here!" he shouted. "What are you doing in this shop? I discharged you Saturday night." "Yes," said the boy, "and don't you do it again. When I told my mother she licked me."—Saturday Evening Post.



Brown's Boy—You'd orter 'a' bin on th' vacant lot last night 't see th' lumination. Black's Boy—Whatch yer burn? "Pa's old summer straw hat an' ma's white shoes." Getting Down to Business. "They say every man has his price." "Yes; I've heard so." "You have yours, I suppose." "I suppose so." "What is your price?" "How much have you got?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Well? Pa—When I say a thing I mean it. Ma—Even the things you tell me when you get home late?—Cleveland Leader.

Down at Bacon Ridge. Farmer Rytap—Old Man Hardapple has been taking medicine for pains in his chest for the last ten years. Postmaster—Do tell! He must be a regular medicine chest by this time.—Chicago News.

Cruel. "She's a lifelong friend of mine." "Dear me! And she doesn't look a day over forty."—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

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Cattle For Sale. An outfit of mixed stock cattle for sale. For further information address MRS. M. L. BESSETTE, Fort Benton.

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Reward For Estrays. One bay gelding and one bay mare, each branded on left thigh and vented same. One brown gelding branded on right thigh, star on forehead and one white hind leg. Will pay \$5.00 apiece for recovery. THOR RITLAND, Fort Benton.

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Strayed or Stolen. From Sam Williamson's ranch on Lone Tree bench, latter part of April, 1910, one black gelding five years old with star in forehead and branded on right shoulder and on right thigh. One three-year-old bay mare with white strip in forehead and branded on right shoulder. One black yearling filly with white strip in forehead branded on left shoulder. I will pay \$100.00 reward for each head or for any information that will lead to their recovery. CARL A. OSWICK, Riedel, Mont.

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Notice of Stockholders Meeting. Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Mackton Coal Co. will be held at Big Sandy, Chouteau county, Montana, on the 7th day of December, 1910, for the purpose of considering the lease of mine and such other business as may properly come before said meeting. O. A. BERGESON, Sec'y. Oct. 18, 1910.

Ten Dollars Reward. The above reward for return of one bay mare, strayed or stolen from the pasture of Roland Ragland on Shoshone creek, medium size, bay, with star in forehead, no brand, but badly wirecut on neck and chest, also on front and hind legs. Weight about 1,050. Leads readily but that is all. Return to J. LEE SEDGWICK, Fort Benton.

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Notice to Creditors. Estate of William M. Davis, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, executrix of the will of William M. Davis, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said executrix at her residence in Fort Benton in the county of Chouteau, state of Montana. MARY A. DAVIS, Executrix of the will of William M. Davis, deceased. Dated October 31, 1910. First publication, Nov. 2, 1910.

Notice to Creditors. Estate of T. H. Watt, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of T. H. Watt, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator at his residence in Fort Benton, in the county of Chouteau, state of Montana. W. O. DEXTER, Administrator of the estate of T. H. Watt, deceased. Dated April 14, 1910. First publication Nov. 17, 1910.

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