

# THANKSGIVING DECORATIONS

## Some Suggestions Made Concerning the Arrangement of the Dinner Table--Pretty and Odd Conceits In the Way of Making the Table Attractive to Young and Old.

When visions of Thanksgiving dawn on the mental horizon of the housewife, who is planning a family reunion, or for extra guests, the first thought that enters her mind is the dinner menu. So absorbing is this problem, especially to a careful Martha, that in the hurry and bustle of culinary preparations she is apt to forget that there are other things besides a fine dinner, which will greatly add to the success of the Thanksgiving festivities.

As the Pilgrim Fathers are inseparably associated with the great American holiday, it is an entirely appropriate, and a novel treatment, as well, to decorate the table in their honor.

The central figure of this decorative scheme should be a miniature Mayflower, which can be shaped at home after several different models. The little vessel should be a full-rigged and its hold filled with a goodly cargo of fruits and nuts.

A large green squash, selected with care in view of the fact that it is to be halved, will, when scooped out, serve as the hull of the vessel. The rails can be fashioned from white paper, cut with a nicety and sewed to mast and boom, the latter being ordinary smooth sticks. On one of the sails inscribe "The Mayflower of 1903," so there will be no mistake about its identity.

Let the goodly ship sail on a big mirror, representing the sea, and have it headed for the end of the table on which reposes Plymouth Rock, surrounded by the "rock-bound coast"—a collection of many shells and stones, gathered in travels or for the occasion.

Contrary to the original state of things, the housewife can argue that the vegetation in the locality, associated with the Mayflower, has changed within the past few hundred years, so that she can hide the ocean's boundaries with delicate ferns and dainty blossoms, which will reflect in the mirror quite realistically.

The souvenirs can consist of a bonbon box at each place in the shape of a small ship, on the sails of which are the figures 1620-1903. They can also be fashioned, at a trifling expense, out of pasteboard, tissue paper, toothpicks and some water-color paints. On the top of each mast put a tiny flag, about an inch in diameter, cut out of red, white and blue tissue paper, using a pin for the staff. The entire cost of the table decorations, including the flowers, should not exceed \$2. A caterer would probably charge \$25.

If the good wife fears to undertake the building of a Mayflower, owing to a lack of natural education, she can still have her Mayflower, and in place of the home-made sails she can substitute some from a child's sailboat. As to the bonbon favors small boxes may be purchased ready made, and they boats may be pasted on, the flag being added as before.

At the beginning of a feast there is usually a trying moment of suspense to every hostess. Such an embarrassment at the Thanksgiving dinner can be averted by a resort to a novel idea in the shape of souvenirs. It will be a charming prelude which will insure a safe crossing of the Rubicon.

These souvenirs, which will delight the children, as well as the grown-ups, should consist of a unique assortment of animal, insect, fruit and flower caricatures, which may be fashioned into ingenious forms from small fruits, vegetables and nuts. The first glimpse of the objects will set in to placid play the fountain of mirth and words.

To accomplish this result a very slight expenditure of money is necessary, for the requisites are in nearly every household. These consist of oranges, lemons, dried fruits—like raisins, English currants and prunes—radishes, lettuce, celery, parsley leaves, thimbles and toothpicks.

A shelled almond will be the foundation for that cheery hearthside musician, the cricket. To make, take a sharp penknife and cut off lengthwise and crosswise narrow strips of the skin to indicate wings and breast. Six toothpicks should be bent into correct angles and be pushed into the side of the almond body for legs. A black thread should be pinned on for the

head, with black-headed pins, which will serve as eyes if horse hairs are available, two of these will represent the little creature's antennae; otherwise, use two fine straws from a broom.

For a harmless mouse, take a light colored radish with a long, slim tail. Pin to this a raisin for the head. Put two radish seeds into the head for eyes, and pin above them two little ears cut from almond skin. Four blunt toothpicks will make excellent legs.

A realistic turtle may be made out of a prune, with head, tail and feet of cloves, pushed in at the proper points.

A spider may be made of a large French prune, using a large raisin for the head. At one-third the distance of the length of the prune tie a yellow string to indicate the segments of the body. On the under side tie eight fish bones, four on each side, in imitation of the walking members. From the raisin head two horn-like appendages should protrude. These may be of the pointed ends of toothpicks.

A lemon makes a comical miniature pig, provided it has a prominent base for a snout. Slash the mouth, push in a couple of cloves for eyes, pin on ears cut from onion skin, twist another piece of onion skin for a tail; then insert the toothpicks for legs, and you will have a pig.

There is no end of the possibilities that lie dormant in a potato, for instance, and a little practice will enable the experimenter to make all sorts of amusing souvenirs which may be fastened on a name card, with an appropriate quotation, or merely placed beside a plate on a paper doily.

To make flowers out of vegetables, such prosaic articles as beets, rutabagas, white turnips and carrots will be needed, all of which should be of medium size and perfectly clean. If the housewife will experiment, she will be surprised at the results.

For example, very natural calla lilies can be made from the white turnip, using a small portion of a carrot for the center. Beautiful roses may be made from beets, and delicate tea roses may be closely imitated by using rutabagas.

Fruit which is to be served as the final dessert course may ornament the sideboard until the proper time for passing it arrives. A simple arrangement is to pile the fruit in pyramid shape on a large tray, grapes of purple, green and pink; great golden oranges, yellow pears, red, green and yellow bananas. Here and there tuck ferns among the fruit, and all about the edge of the tray as well.

As to the house itself, the fields and woods are full of beautiful things which lend themselves to decorating and the wise woman will provide herself with branches of bitter-sweet, the red and orange of which is not to be despised. She will also employ autumn leaves, gathered in the autumn. Neither will she forget the trailing blackberry vines, the evergreen fern, or the great ears of corn which should hang from mantel and chandeliers or hanging lamps.

With these simple decorations carried out, the memory of them will remain to those who shared in the pleasure long after the recollection of the menu has passed away.—Louise E. Dow, in Sacramento Bee.

### Millionaire's Poor Stomach.

The worn-out stomach of the over-fed millionaire is often paraded in the public prints as a horrible example of the evils attendant on the possession of a great wealth. But millionaires are not the only ones who are afflicted with bad stomachs. The proportion is far greater among the toilers. Dyspepsia and indigestion are rampant among these people, and they suffer far worse tortures than the millionaire unless they avail themselves of a standard medicine like Green's August Flower, which has been a favorite household remedy for all stomach troubles for over 35 years. August Flower rouses the torpid liver, thus creating appetite and insuring perfect digestion. It tones and vitalizes the entire system, and makes life worth living, no matter what your station. Trial bottle, 25c; regular size, 75c. At all druggists. At Dr. Stone's drug store.

## GREATER SALEM CLUB

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good roads. The county court of this county has entered with enthusiasm upon the construction of a better system of roads, and has already accomplished much. I would advise this club to co-operate with the county in every practical way to promote this most important object, which will do more than any other one thing to advance the permanent prosperity of both city and country. Through the efforts of Judge Scott, who is the president of the State Good Roads Association, the next annual meeting of this association will be held in this city, and a most hearty welcome should be extended, and a practical illustration in road building should be given that will not only interest every citizen, but have an important educational effect upon our road builders.

"The matter of car shortage should have your careful consideration, and I recommend that this club join other commercial organizations in considering what action, legislative or otherwise, can be taken that will tend to prevent future recurrences. The great lumber interests of the valley appear to be in a state of practical paralysis, and other producing interests do not seem to be in much better condition. The recent raise in rates upon lumber combined with the inability to get cars, even at the higher rates, has had a most serious effect. The great expansion in the lumber business in this last great timbered region of the United States, has been long foreseen by the leading lumber men of the country, and they have acquired immense holdings of timbered lands, and the management of the great transportation lines should have been equally long-sighted and provided adequate facilities for handling it. It does not seem right that a corporation should even have the power to arbitrarily throttle a great industry, even for the purpose of furnishing solely needed facilities for other interests. I have no desire to cast reflections upon the local officials, who are, no doubt, doing all that can be accomplished with present facilities.

"Efforts have been made during the past year, but without avail, to establish a starch factory, a tannery and other manufacturing plants.

"Let me say here, that the way to build up manufacturing establishments in our midst is to patronize them ourselves, and assist in finding a market for their products. I have in mind a small plant in this city that is turning out a superior article of general use in every household; I inquired at nearly all the stores where such an article should be kept, and found it in only two out of six; this condition is not peculiar to Salem only, but, as nothing succeeds like success, other manufacturers will be far more apt to locate in a community where home concerns are loyally supported. Patronize home institutions.

"When we can succeed in establishing a manufacture where the local conditions make it possible to turn out a product of superior quality or at less cost than elsewhere, it will be only necessary to get it started; it takes no fostering care thereafter, and in this connection I would recommend that this club see if it is not possible to prevail upon one or more of the local mills to enter upon the manufacture of breakfast foods. I am informed by one in a position to know that not less than 200,000 bushels of milling oats are raised in this county, which practically all finds its way to Portland and San Francisco, there worked up into breakfast foods and large quantities returned here for local consumption. Why not turn out the finished product here, instead of only furnishing the raw material, and allowing some one else the cream of the profit?

"Finally, I would urge every man in mind the necessity of co-operation with all other bodies and localities for the general good of the entire coast, and I urge upon you to continue this most strenuously. There lies in the future a measure of prosperity that is ample for every city in every state of the coast, and each one will reap a larger individual share if all work together for the common good than if each labored for the advancement of his own section.

"Finally, I would urge every man who is or should be interested in the prosperity of our city and state, to join this organization and put his shoulder to the wheel. It is not too much to ask every member to devote one evening in the month to the consideration of the common weal. If you will all do this, and the various bureau and committees do the work committed to them promptly, I will predict for the new administration of the club a larger measure of success than the old one has been able to accomplish."

Object lessons in Lumbering. In selling the timber from the in-

dian lands in the Chippewa reservation, in Minnesota, it is specified, among other things, that in the cutting the refuse shall be cleaned up and removed or destroyed, so that it may not furnish material for forest fires that will destroy the trees left standing. In short, only merchantable or matured timber is to be cut, and that is to be done with the view of protection to remaining trees so that continued growth may follow, a perpetuation of forest on the land now occupied by the forest.

It is extremely fortunate that this experience can be had. It will illustrate the practicability of a system of timber harvesting that true foresters have always advocated. Lumbermen have always contended that the system of harvesting the forest crop that is prescribed in this case is impracticable by reason of its cost. This matter can now be tested, and the lesson it will teach will be a valuable one, though probably much less valuable now than it would have been a generation ago.

### Notice of Election.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Salem, Oregon, on the first Monday in December, 1903, the same being the seventh day of said month, and that the polls for said election will be open from 10 o'clock a. m. until 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, for the purpose of voting for

A Mayor, to fill the unexpired term of office of Hon. C. P. Bishop, resigned. One Alderman from the first ward, for a period of two years. One Alderman from the second ward, for a period of two years. One Alderman from the third ward, for a period of two years. One Alderman from the fourth ward, for a period of two years. One Alderman from the fifth ward, for a period of one year. One Alderman from the sixth ward, for a period of two years. One Alderman from the seventh ward, for a period of two years. And FOR or AGAINST the issuance of bonds to redeem the issue made by the city of Salem in 1889, in the sum of \$30,000, for bridge purposes.

The polling places for said election shall be as follows:

First Ward—Freeland's factory, Division and High streets.

Second Ward—Police court room, City Hall.

Third Ward—Freeland's store, State street near High.

Fourth Ward—Red Front livery stable, Commercial and Trade streets.

Fifth Ward—W. L. Wade's cooper shop, Liberty street, near Wade's store.

Sixth Ward—Car barn, Twenty-first and State streets.

Seventh Ward—Jory fruit dryer, Commercial and Bush streets.

Done by order of the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, this 23rd day of November, 1903.

(Seal) N. J. JUDAH, City Recorder, Salem, Oregon. 11-23-03

### REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.

#### Notice of Primary Election.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a primary election held in the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh wards of the city of Salem, Marion county, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 25th day of November, 1903, for the purpose of nominating

One candidate for mayor. One alderman for the First ward. One alderman for the Second ward. One alderman for the Third ward. One alderman for the Fourth ward. Two aldermen for the Fifth ward. Two aldermen for the Sixth ward. Two aldermen for the Seventh ward.

The polling places for said wards will be as follows: First ward, Freeland's factory. Second ward, City Hall. Third ward, Freeland's store. Fourth ward, Red Front barn. Fifth ward, Old Meat market. Sixth ward, Street Car barn. Seventh ward, Jory's fruit dryer.

The polling place of each ward will be open from 2 o'clock p. m. to 7 o'clock p. m. for the reception of votes. By order of the committee. E. M. JAFORS, Chairman. E. T. WRIGHTMAN, Secretary. 11-21-03

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### Ten Dead Fallacies.

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1. The hindsighted man—Never sees opportunity until it has passed.
2. The back boneless man—Always has to ask somebody's advice.
3. The only honest man—Must have the control. No one else honest enough.
4. The spendthrift—Never has anything to invest.
5. The suspicious man—Always afraid somebody will rob him.
6. The conceited man—Knows where all the best things are without being told.
7. The modern Shylock—Believes in nothing but the "pound of flesh" mortgage.
8. The narrow gauged man—Refuses to listen to anything "out of his line."
9. The unfortunate man—Has a friend who invested and lost.
10. The fool—Thinks a thing worthless, or it wouldn't be offered to him.



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