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The Childrens Corner The Swineherd Andersen.

Continued from last week.

"How much the bird reminds me of the musical box that belonged to our blessed Empress!" remarked an old Knight. "Ah yes! it is the very same tone, the same execution."

"Yes! Yes!" said the Emperor, and he wept like a little child.

"I will still hope that it is not a real bird" said the Princess.

"Yet it is a real bird?" said those who had brought it.

"Well, then let the bird fly," returned the Princess; and she positively refused to see the Prince.

However, he was not to be discouraged; he daubed his face over brown and black; pulled his cap over his ears, and knocked at the door.

"Good day, Emperor!" said he. "can I have employment at the palace?"

"O there are so many that want a place," said the Emperor; "well, let me see, I want some one to take care of the pigs, for we have a great many of them."

So the Prince was appointed Imperial Swineherd. He had a dirty little room close by the pig-sty; and there he sat the whole day, and worked. By the evening, he had made a pretty little saucepan. Little bells were hung all around it; and when the pot was boiling, these bells tinkled in the most charming manner, and played the old melody:-

Ah, thou dearest Augustine
All is gone, gone, gone.

But what was still more curious, whoever held his finger in the smoke of this saucepan, immediately smelt all the dishes that were cooking on every hearth in the city: this you see; was something quite different from the rose.

Now the Princess happened to walk that way; and when she heard the tune, she stood quite still and seemed pleased; for she could play Dearest Augustine, it was the only piece she knew, and she could only play it with one finger.

"Why there is my piece" said the Princess; "That Swineherd must certainly have been well educated. Here! go in ask him the price of the instrument."

And so one of the ladies must run in; however she drew on wooden slippers first.

"What will you take for the saucepan?" inquired the lady.

"I will have ten kisses from the Princess," said the Swineherd.

"Mercy on us!" said the lady.

"Yes, I cannot sell it for less," said the Swineherd.

"What does he say?" asked the Princess.

"I cannot tell you really," replied the lady "it is too bad."

"Then you can whisper it." So the lady whispered it.

"He is an impudent fellow!" said the Princess, and she walked on; but when she had gone a little way, the bells tinkled so prettily,-

Ah, thou dearest Augustine!

All is gone, gone, gone.

"Stay," said the Princess "Ask him if he will have ten kisses from the ladies of my court."

"No, thank you," answered the Swineherd: "ten kisses from the Princess or I keep the saucepan myself."

"That must not be, either," said the Princess, "but do you all stand before me that no one may see us."

And the court ladies placed themselves in front of her, and spread out their dresses; and so the Swineherd got the ten kisses and she got the saucepan.

It was delightful. The saucepan was kept boiling all the evening, and the whole of the following day. They knew perfectly well what was cooking at every fire throughout the city, from the chamberlains to the cobblers; the court ladies danced and clapped their hands.

"We know who has soup and who has pancakes for dinner today, who has cutlets and who has eggs. How interesting."

"Yes, but keep my secret, for I am an Emperor's daughter."

"Mercy on us" said they all.

The Swineherd - that is to say the Prince, for no one knew that he was other than an illfavoured swineherd - let not a day pass without working at something; he at last constructed a rattle, which, when it was swung round, played all the waltzes and jig tunes which have ever been heard since the creation of the world.

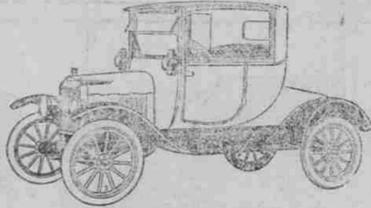
"Ah, that is superbe!" said the Princess when she passed by; "I have never heard prettier compositions. Go in and ask him the price of the instrument; but I won't kiss him."

"He will have a hundred kisses from the Princess," said the court lady who had been in to ask.

"I think he is crazy," said the Princess, and walked on; but when she had gone a little way, she stopped a-

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gain. "One must encourage art" said she; "I am the Emperor's daughter. Tell him, he shall, as on yesterday, have ten kisses from me, and may take the rest from the ladies of the court."

"Oh, but we should not like that at all" said the court ladies.

"What are you muttering?" asked the Princess, "if I can kiss him surely you can. Remember, I give you your food and wages." So the court ladies were obliged to go to him again.

"A hundred kisses from the Princess" said he, "or else let everyone keep his own."

"Stand round," said she; and all the ladies stood round her while the kissing was going on.

"What can be the reason for such a crowd close by the pig-sty?" said the Emperor, who happened just then to step out on the balcony. He rubbed rubbed his eyes and put on his spectacles. "There are the ladies of the court; there must be some play going on. I must go down and see what they are about." So he pulled up his slippers at the heel, for he had trodden them down.

Heh there! what a hurry he was in.

As soon as he got in the courtyard, he moved very softly, and the ladies were much engrossed with counting kisses, that all might go on fairly, that they did not perceive the Emperor. He rose on his tiptoes.

"What is all this?" said he, when he saw what was going on, and he boxed the Princesses ears with his slipper, just as the Swineherd was taking the eighty-sixth kiss.

"Off with you," cried the Emperor, for he was very angry; and both the Princess and the Swineherd were thrust out of the city.

"The Princess now stood and wept, and the Swineherd scolded, and the rain poured down.

"O how miserable I am," said the Princess. "If I had but married the handsome young prince. Ah, how unfortunate I am."

And the Swineherd went behind a tree, washed the black and brown color from his face, threw off his dirty clothes, and stepped forth in his princely robes; he looked so noble that the Princess could not help bowing before him.

"I am come to despise thee" said he "thou wouldst not have an honorable prince; thou couldst not prize the rose and the nightingale, but thou wast ready to kiss the Swineherd for the sake of a trumpery plaything. Now thou hast thy deserts!"

He went back to his own little kingdom, and shut the door of his palace in her face. Now she might well sing

Ah! thou dearest Augustine!

All is gone, gone, gone!

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KANSAS CITY STOCK MARKET

Live Stock Trade Stronger, Good Advance in Hogs

Packing house employees late last week decided to accept a wage reduction of 5 to 10 per cent without a strike. Today receipts were light for this season of the year, and with Thursday, Thanksgiving holiday, supplies for the week will be below requirements. These conditions improved demand materially and the market ruled strong to higher. Cattle were strong to 25 cents higher, hogs up 15 to 25 cents and lambs strong to 15 cents higher.

Today's Receipts

Receipts today were 12,000 cattle, 8000 hogs, and 4500 sheep, compared with 23,000 cattle, 8000 hogs, and 6000 sheep a week ago, and 15,300 cattle, 15,750 hogs, and 16,300 sheep a year ago

Beef Cattle

Cattle receipts today were about half those a week ago, and 3000 less than a year ago. At the same time quality of the fat cattle was the plainest of the season. Killers were in the pens early and bought freely as long as there were any steers that carried fat. Prices ruled strong to 25 cents higher, exceptions more. Some 13-00 pound steers, "warmed up" from grass, brought \$7.00 and were the best offered. Most of the other steers sold at \$5.50 to \$6.75. Cows and heifers showed about the same advance as steers, and were in active demand. Calves were 25 to 50 cents higher, and bulls up 25 cents.

Stockers and Feeders

Today's light receipts of thin cattle forced country buyers who have been waiting for lower prices into an active trade and prices rose 15 to 25 cents. Indications are that the big runs of stockers and feeders are near an end for this year. On the other hand a large number of thin cattle are needed to take care of feed.

Hogs

Hog prices today were up 15 to 25 cents, mostly 15 to 20 cents. Early last week it looked as though packers would succeed in reducing hog prices to the 6 cent level, but receipts are not holding up to expectations and demand continues large. Today the top price, \$7.00, was paid for light lights and the bulk of the offerings sold at \$6.60 to \$6.90, packer top \$6.90. Pigs sold up to \$7.50.

Sheep and Lambs

Ewes sold at \$3.35 to \$4.00, and native lambs at \$8.50 to \$9.00. The market was quoted strong to 25 cents higher. Trade was active. Feeding lambs are scarce and in urgent demand.

Horses and Mules

Trade in horses and mules was practically unchanged compared with last week. Dealers do not expect much change in conditions soon.

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