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A dispatch from Mahanoy City, Pa., last night says: Nineteen members of the Stoddard Sorosis, an association of women for literary culture, were held as hostages for fares by the conductor of a Schuylkill railway car for half an hour last midnight until the twentieth member, who was permitted to leave the car, returned with the ransom money, which she succeeded in porrowing from a friend whom she rapped up out of bed.

up out of bed.

"There, you mean thing," she fairly screamed, as she handed the conductor a dollar bill. "Yes, and let him keep the change," chorused the ransomed ones with biting sarcasm as they alighted.

The club includes the wives and daughters of bankers, physicians and lawyers. After boarding the car each in turn suddenly discovered she had come without her purse. Now it is charged that some of the members had their purses with them, but balked at putting up fares for the rest of the sisters.

JOLLY THANKSGIVINGS OF AMERICA'S SELF-EXILES.

made, after an elaborate menu, generally

in French, has been more or less laboriously

run through to the coffee. The art stu-

dents as a body are never a solemn lot,

and this fact is in evidence when they give

Just to give some idea of how the ar

students observe the day, let me go back

to the time when the Students' Club (the American Art Association of Paris) held

club's organization.

As Thanksgiving day would be the first national holiday to roll around, the club

very much wanted to observe the occasion.

perries in a French market; the only pump-

kin offered for sale was not in the shape of pies, but in dried strips, for baking and

soups, and as for sweet potatoes, they were

as utterly unknown to the average French-

nian as were cranberries. True, French

turkey could be secured-a good turkey at

that-but what was turkey without the

Thnaksgiving Dinner From Home.

When the club, in the depths of despair,

had about decided that it would be com-

pelled by circumstance to forego a good,

old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner, word

was received from the Art Students' League

of New. York that it was going to present

the new association with a Thanksgiving

dinner that would recall the kind mother

used to serve up steaming hot on that

crisp, memorable day, back on the farm, in the years gone by. This message was soon

followed by a consignment of real Ameri-

can turkeys, all done to a golden brown and all stuffed; enough cranberry sauce to

last the club for a month of Sundays seemingly, and ples, pumpkin ples, regular

New England pumpkin pies. You know the

The dinner was served in the little house

on the Boulevard Montparnasse, then occu-

pied by the club. The room was decorated

chiefly with the stars and stripes and the tri-color intertwined, but I believe I am safe in saying this feature was not noticed

until the dinner was well over, for the eyes of every Yankee as he entered the room

were on the table, a sight of which brought tears to more than one pair of eyes.

And how we ate! The first platesful bare-ly served, there arose on all sides demands for "more turkee" and "sose de cronberres."

The poor garcons were overwhelmed. What

were these strange things the diners wished? "Turkee?" What was that? And "sose de cronberres"—what that? The dinner com-

nittee, you see, had forgotten, in its ex-

citement, to instruct the garcons concern-ing the names of the new dishes.

Howled for Turkey.

The howls became louder and louder, the

confusion greater, with the waiters run-

ning helplessly about and offering the diners

everything but what they wanted. At last

for turkey, began shouting: "Dinde! dinde!

dinde!" Others took up the chorus and the garcons, at last enlightened, soon had the delicious birds going the way that all their

kind should go.

But there was at that time no word in the

French language for cranberry, and despite the efforts of the students throughout the

meal to associate the dish with the phrase "sose de cronberres" many comical situa-

tions resulted, all serving to heighten the enjoyment of the occasion, which at no

stage was less than intense.

After the coffee came, not set speeches,

but impromptu utterances—amusing, Bo-hemian, straight from the heart and, with

one exception, all flavored with the true American spirit. The speech that proved the exception was made by a man born in America of Armenian parents. Mellowed by the most distinctive dishes of his father's

by the most distinctive dishes of his father's adopted country and the strains of "My Country, Tis of Thee," his recountal of the atrocities practiced upon his relatives in Armenia by the Turks so worked upon the

sympathies of his impressionable audience that when he sat down all were on the point

of falling, weeping, on his neck. It touched the Armenian greatly to have such deep feeling displayed for him by his sixty-

odd fellow diners—but what the state of mind of the sixty-odd a few days later, on discovery that the Armenian had told a

monumental lie, simply to work up his hear

ers, can easily be imagined.

This violation of the spirit of the day was
the only thing that marred the banquet, and

it was soon forgotten or came to be laughed over. On the whole the banquet was so suc-

cessful that it was determined to repeat it every year, and this has been done.

Preparing the Dinners.

Except the initial dinner all have been pre-

takes him a provokingly long time to grasp that pumpkin can be utilized for one's gas-

ronomic delight except when baked or as a

Some of the first dinners of the club were

notorious for the cranberry sauce and the

pumpkin pies that the chef concocted under

the eyes of several American women with

to it, tried their names at these trimmings, with most disastrous results. Happily, these dour days have long since vanished. Now some of the American women of the quarter always furnish the club with the

used to make; for the women who take this duty unto themselves from year to year

and surpassing cranberry sauce? The Stu-dents' Club of Parls, judging from its ex-

periences, is ready to make affidavit that such a thing is impossible.

A Fixed Institution.

The Thanksgiving dinner is as fixed a

club institution as the Washington's birth-

day dinner or the Fourth of July celebra-

tion. Many distinguished guests have sat

rs, can easily be imagined.

trimmings?

since a previous Thanksgiving.

MY COUNTRY TIS OF THEE." Written for The Star. Of all the Thanksgiving dinners to which America's self-exiles-and there are manysit down once a year, none can equal in follity those of the art students in Paris. These observances are marked by none of the solemnity which usually hangs thick as a pall over the Thanksgiving dinners of the American chambers of commerce in Paris and Berlin and the formal dinner in London to which British worthies are in-DER WAS THANKFUL THE CONCERGE WAS DEAF vited and long and tiresome speeches are

giving dinner during my twelve years in Paris; this being due to the fact, I suppose, that these distinguished gentlemen predof observance is that the roast meat shops thanks for the mercies extended to them that these distinguished gentlemen pre-ferred to observe the day in their homes, and the club respected this whoily nat-ural desire. At the other banquets they have always been great favorites, especially its first Thanksgiving dinner. This was about fifteen years ago, shortly after the James B. Eustis, who seemingly forgot that he was a responsible representative of his government as soon as he stepped inside the clubhouse, where he became as "one of

THEY TOLD HIM HOW TO MAKE PUMPKIN PIES."

the boys." Let it be set down to the sound patriot-ism of the club that the Thanksgiving dinner has always been American in its make-up. Only once or twice has a French dish been permitted to get in the menu, and then only when it was more than ord narily difficulty to obtain the traditional Thanksgiving day dishes.

At times this task has been harder than

most persons would imagine to be the case, with so many steamship lines plying be-tween the two countries. It has always been easy to secure the necessary number of turkeys, but until recent years the French markets were still steeped in deep ignorance of the cranberry's existence. The constant demand for it on the part of students and other Americans has led several stores that cater to American trade to hanale the cranberry, which is sold by the pound at exorbitant prices. Once or twice a storekeeper has overstepped himself in this particular. Several years ago a dealer imported a barrel of the berries, expecting to realize a handsome profit on them, but he boosted up the price so high that even the money-thoughtless students refused to buy, and the berries rotted on the little fellow's hands, to his undying disgust.

Menu for the Dinner. It has been possible to serve sweet pomince pies can now be secured with ease in the various restaurants in the quarter catering to Americans, and so can dellcious squash and the favored American

The Thanksgiving dinner menu of the Students' Club, and also of the American Women's Art Association, usually consists of a soup, roast turkey, stuffed; giblet tune favors), pumpkin, and, perhaps, mince ple, fruits, cheese and coffee.

It is not unusual for over a hundred per-

dents' Club, from three to five francs being the charge for a cover. And it is almost a safe guess to make that the participants in this year's dinner, following the example of previous dinner, following the example of previous diners, will have attended services during the morning in the American church. Even the Bohemian existence that the majority of art students lead can not divorce them from the habit everything but what they wanted. At last of seeking church at least once a year to some students, recalling the French word give thanks. Here they mingle with representatives of the American colony, the bankers, brokers, jewelers and others com-pelled by stress of business to live far from their native shores. Here, too, come many travelers, and in the evening those who are college or university men generally eat their Thanksgiving dinner with the like many students, are guests of mem-bers of the "colony."

Dinners in the Studio.

In addition to the students' formal dinners-if the adjective can rightly be applied to anything that the art students do or think or say-many small dinners of Thanksgiving are given in the studios. Needless to say, these are thoroughly Bohemian. Some certainly rank among the queerest Thanksgiving meals ever spread; and it is my belief, founded on twelve years' residence in the quarter, that the studio dinner most prescribed by tradition would cause one of the custom's stern origina-

tors to fall dead of sheer horror, were it possible for him to be seated at the opening course even.

The studio dinner that "Long Snider" gave to a select party of cronies a half dozen years ago is still laughed over in the quarter, and bids fair to become a Thanksgiving tradition among these ap-

parently care-free self-exiles.

Two or three days before the festival was due to roll 'round "Long Snider" decided that he would give a dinner. He investigated the state of his pocketbook. finding only his monthly allowance, sufficient to meet running expenses. Nevertheless, there must be a dinner, and when his guests appeared at the appointed hour on Thanksgiving evening they were seated at a table temptingly loaded with a great turkey, done to a golden brown, and all the old-time trimmings. That which had been pared in the clubhouse by the French chefs that the club has had from time to time, thoughtfully provided by the hilarious host to prevent a consuming thirst from over-The average French chef knows how to whelmingly attacking his guests was contained in a big bowl. "Harvard Law School Punch," "Long Snider" called it, and it had been solicitously mixed by his roast turkey to the traditional golden brown; he usually does so by means of a spit. There has been no need, therefore, to

spit. There has been no need, therefore, to give any instructions in this matter, but with all the other things connected with the cooking of a real Thanksgiving dinner he has to receive help at all times.

For example, after a chef has been told how to make "sose de cronberres" he still persists in putting too little sugar in. Moreover, he does not understand the art of stuffing a turkey American style, and it takes him a provokingly long time to grasp own hands. That punch was a most deceptive drinkmild to the taste, so mild, in fact, that it was in constant demand. As a result, when, the feast barely half through, there came a knocking at the door, the punch had got in its work on nearly every one present, and the effect produced by the note handed to the host by his conclerge was just the opposite of what it would have been on an ordinary occasion.

"Fellows," shouted "Long Snider," wav-ing the bit of paper madly, "proprietor says got to pay rent next day or have things confiscated. Can't pay rent. Spent money on dinner and punch. Three cheers for Thanksgiving!"

Guests to the Rescue.

motherly sympathies. To say the least, they were not exactly like the productions that mother is said to make. Once or twice the students themselves, when driven to it, tried their hands at these trimmings, This little speech seemed but to add zest to the dinner. At last, the punch consumed, some one, more ingenious than the rest-perhaps he had got more than his share of the brew-proposed the plot that the whole assemblage put into execution. ples and the sauce. Both trimming and dessert are every bit as good as mother The belongings that had been threatened with confiscation were not numerous; in a few minutes they were in the hands of usually hail from New England—and what New England girl ever grew to womanhood without being thoroughly instructed in the mysteries of making superior pumpkin pie procession of easels, palettes, long rolls of canvas and the host's big bass viol down the long and dark stairway from the sixth floor, with the glimmer from an occasional match to light the uncertain way.

"Long Snider" was thankful that the corcierge was a sound sleeper and somewhat deaf, to boot. The street was safely reached, a hand-cart was hastily secured, into it the trappings were dumped, and with an exultant yell that aroused the conclerge too late for his frantic calls for the police to be of any use, host, guests and tion. Many distinguished guests have sat down to these dinners since their respective inaugurations. Bouguereau, who died recently, was a favored guest, and he took keen delight in reveling on these festival occasions. Bartholdi was invited year afcer year; he was a great favorite among

have not yet learned how to stuff a tur-

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In the Restaurants.

Many students eat Thanksgiving dinner in the restaurants, the cheaper ones serving turkey at fifteen cents a portion. And with what gusto it is consumed-what geniality arises over what is meant for mince or pumpkin pie-what Thanksgiving dinners of home days are recalled amid laughter and—yes—perhaps with a tear here and there—all manifestations born of heartfelt thanks for the mercies of the past

In much the same general fashion is Thanksgiving day observed by the Amer-ican students in Munich, where their numbers have been steadily decreasing of re-cent years. I have discovered that wherever the American self-exile, whether student or man of affairs, finds himself on the national feast day, he strives to make the day a pleasant one and to catch its spirit, and he feels that he has succeeded beyond his fondest dreams when he is fortunate enough to hear a good old Thanksgiving sermon and stow away afterward a dinner at least meant to be along the lines of the mouth-watering traditional one.

fornia Line.

The California lines have, by an order issued in Chicago, put a stop to the personally conducted tourist excursions which tatoes but very few times. Pumpkin and have been flourishing in that field for years. Not only will a large number of railroad conductors, probably 125, whose salaries average \$100 a month each, lose their positions, but at least one tourist excursion bureau which makes a specialty of personally conducted tours to California will he driven out of the business.

Santa Fe, Southern Pacific and San Pedro gravy, cranberry sauce, celery, squash, lines were notified that hereafter these mashed potatoes (sweet potatoes when foring personally conducted parties, and they will not even take the cars which started out as personally conducted parties, even sons to sit down to the dinner of the Stu-dents' Club, from three to five francs be-dents' Club, from three to five francs be-

the railroad officials themselves can care for passengers just as well as the personal ence with the high-class excursion, which, though personally conducted, travels in first-class Pullman sleepers, the restriction being laid upon the tourist cars only.

By a general order Acting Secretary Oliver has prohibited canteens and laundries from entering into competition with civilian concerns in supplying goods and services to hospitals, organization and supply departments at army posts which are to be paid for from public funds. Only in cases where such supplies and services cannot be conveniently or reasonably ob-tained as elsewhere, and where a direct advantage will accrue to the government may this rule be departed from, and then a full statement of the facts must accompany the

Hereafter the inspection of educational institutes where army officers are detailed as professors of military science and tactics will begin on the 1st of April and be completed by the 1st of June of each year, according to an order just issued from the War Department. A board of four officers of the general staff will make inspections, the members reconvening in Washington not later than June 10 each year to compare the individual reports of their inspections and recommend the educational insti-tutions to be designated as "dist nguished

Distressful Position of Mother. Mrs. Marie Santangelo, an Italian immigrant, is detained at Ellis Island, New York. while making the choice between parting possibly forever from her two children in order to make her home here with her husband, or of giving up her husband to return to Italy with the children. Her husband is a naturalized American citizen living at Youngstown, Ohio. The children and their mother are afflicted with trachoma, an infectious disease of the eye, and the law in such cases reads that the wife of a citizen of the United States cannot ease, must be sent back to the country they came from.

Chicago a City of Violent Death. Railroad accidents in Chicago during the eleven months ended November 1 cost 381 lives, according to a report made by Coroner Hoffman. The report also shows there were 421

suicides in the county, 120 deaths due to street car accidents, 187 homicides, 10 killed by automobiles, 201 deaths due to falls and 157 to burns and scalds.

for an American warship for having sent a message the longest distance by wireless telegraph, according to the reports received at the bureau of equipment of the Navy De-partment. The Kentucky, while lying in Hampton Roads, sent a communication to the wireless station at Beaufort, S. C., a

The Navy Department will send the battle ship Oregon, on her return from the Philippines, to the navy yard at Bremerton, where she is to undergo an extensive over-hauling, which may lay her up for several

A representative of Judge Henry S. Dewey, who, on the face of returns, was defeated by a small margin in the contest for the republican nomination for mayor of Boston yesterday took out papers to fill asking for a recount. The final returns last night gave a plurality of 275 for Louis A. Frothingham, the successful republican nominee.

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