

cient to temper the thoughts of the

rich to your nakedness. Rejoice, O, ye rich, that the spirit of charity is still alive in your hearts that

ye may enjoy the pleasures of giving Thanksgiving day is indeed a peacemaker. In a few short hours it sweeps away the barriers that months of pride, selfishness and cruelty on the one hand, and improvidence, dissipation, neglect and want on the other, have been building between classes. It is one in the long list of holidays that expands with age because it is one of the few founded on religion. Secular holidays come and go with the sentiments from which they sprung. But Sabbath and Christmas and Easter and Thanksgiving are not of this number. The history of the religion of a people is the history that lives. Josephus' scholarly chronicles of the Jews are read not at all, while the Bible is in every library and upon almost every center-table in the land. Homer is read alike by old and young because the machinery of Heaven is there. "Plutarch's Lives" hold as much fascination for the readers of to-day as for the ancient English scholars, because the gods are in every battle, control every triumph and bless every festival. The human mind revels in the ideas awakened by the contemplation of the spiritual. The meager chronicles of the American Indians would be "stale, flat and unprofitable" but for the introduction of their religious funcies and beliefs. The Indian never takes so grand a place in the mind's eye as when we see him in a religious frenzy as Pope has painted him:

"L&" the poor Indian, whose untutored mind Sees God in clouds and hears Him in the wind." Thanksgiving day has grown far beyond what it was originally intended to signify or represent because of this very religious quality. From giving thanks to God for gifts to themselves, men came to desire to be more like that mereiful Being, and so in turn became benefactors. From recounting their individual blessings and offering prayer and praise for their bestowal, it was but a step to the turning point of charity in themselves. And so we may cry to all upon this day -Rejoice! for the lion and the lamb have lain down together and the peace of the Saviour's spirit is over all. The cry of want is heard by ears that before were deaf to the voice of pleading, and eyes that saw not misery except it were afar off are now dimmed with tears of pity for those about their feet. Thanksgiving! The word has come to have a glorious meaning. It is the softening influences of such seasons, albeit all too brief, that keep intact the under current, the real harmony of the world, even though its surface be always troubled by discord.

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## SUM OF ALL HOLIDAYS. That Is Why Thanksgiving Should Be the Happiest of All.

We could not ask a more suggestive be true!" title or one which makes sweeter music in an American's ear. This occasion, says the New York Ledger, is different from all other national holidays, since it gathers them all up into one, and with them unites every mercy of the dying year, the bounties of its harvests, the manifold gifts of whitewinged commerce, the preservation of peace and prosperity, and recognizes each and every one in a gratitude o'erflowing with festivity and mirth.

Thanksgiving! A word with which to conjure happiness into the most dismal and dejected spirit. The personal associations of this festival are, perhaps, its greatest sources of attraction. The father and the mother, expecting John from the city and Mary from the school, will recall the dear old days when they, too, came home to roast apples before the blazing logs, and watch the ruddy glow glinting across the polished mahogany, while

"Haif hidden in a quiet nooit, serene of look and heart,
Talking the old times over, the parents sat apart."

And what times they were, famous for corn huskings unknown to this degenerate age, for moonlight straw rides across the glistening snow and hoary ghost legends of Hessian troopers. Hence, Thanksgiving comes with redolent memories of past joys, blended into the best and purest moments of American life, its homes and its hearts.

Let fair summer's robes pale and die, and the frosted leaves rustle beneath the tread. What cares Thanksgiving day for winter's stern heralds? In fact we welcome a good November day that the cold without may form a contrast for the warmth within.

It would disturb the eternal fitness of things to cat the time-honored bird and the national pie in the long, bright

days of leafy June. No! The wise gobbler may contemplate a perch upon the crescent of the moon if he thinks fit, but he must needs die, and, flanked by eranberry sauce and the constant pumpkin pie, present himself to our view on the last Thursday in November, and not a day

earlier, please.

Then, as we cluster around the fire and bid defiance to the elements, let us remember to make Thanksgiving a home-day, where all the dear ones will gather, and eyes look love to eyes

which speak again. It must also be a happy day to every-body, from grandmother in the corner to the cat slumbering at her feet. A day for devout worship, joyous festiv-ity, kindly deeds, old feuds healed up, new friendships made; in short, a glo-rious, old-fashioned Thanksgiving.

THAT SPECKLED HEN.

A Thrilling Account of Mrs. Panelosley's Thanksgiving Dinner.

Time, Thanksgiving day, eighteen undred and what's the difference. Place, the sitting-room of a snug little dwelling in an interior village far enough from the madding crowd to be free from gas bills, anarchists and aldermen.

Fiercely raged the storm outside. The wild November blasts howled and shricked through the tree-tops, the overhanging boughs rasped the side of the house as if filing notice of an intention to take a lien on the premises, and on the rug before the ample fireplace the yellow dog that saved the household the bother and expense of a garbage barrel mouned and grumbled in his sleep as if something he had caten lay heavily on his conscience.

In an ample rocking chair of the Andrew Jackson period sat bolt upright an elderly, hard-featured, silent woman with iron-rimmed spectacles and red hair. With her hands clasped over one knee and her lips drawn tightly to-



"ARE YOU MRS. PANCKSLEY?"

gether she gazed motionless into the fire, whose fitful glow strove faintly to lighten the gloom of the dreary day now drawing rapidly to its close. Who can fathom the mystery of a tall, angular woman with red hair? Who can interpret the stony silence that veils her past? Who shall say what tempests of passion have swept over her when not soul was at hand to incur the weird horror of their reflex action?

And the storm raged on. Amid the uproar of the elements she

became suddenly conscious of a loud, imperious knocking at the door. She went and opened it and a large, rawboned, shaggy-haired man with red whiskers stepped inside. Shaking the rain from his garments,

he inquired: "Does Mrs. Paneksley live here?"

"She does."

"Are you Mrs. Pancksley?" 'I am.

"How changed! Do you remember," he went on, with a tremor in his voice, "that on a stormy Thanksgiving day twelve years ago you sent a little boy out to kill a speckled hen for dinner?" "Yes! Hiram, my boy, is it-"

"Wait a minute. Did you tell him that if he didn't find that hen and chop her head off in five minutes you would skin him alive?" "Perhaps I did. But-"

"He didn't come back, did he?" 'O no! No!"

"Well, he's come back now. . . .

That will do, mother. Give me a chance to breathe. Are you glad to

"O. Hiram! Hiram! To think that my long lost son, that I'd given up all idea of ever seeing again in this world, has come back to me! It's too good to

"It's true, mother," he said. "I have a vaccination mark on my arm and a sear on my head made by a broomstick fifteen years ago to show for it. I'm the same boy. I have been almost over the whole world, and, I am sorry to say, mother," he added, with a sigh, "that I've come back without the hen."

The tall, angular, red-haired woman resumed her seat in the Andrew Jackson rocking-chair, rubbed her nose thoughtfully, and gazed into the fire.

"Never mind, Hiram," she said, slow-"The speekled hen is still alive. You will find her in the chicken-house. Go and cut her head off, my son, and I'll cook her for your Thanksgiving CHARLES W. TAYLOR.

THANKSGIVING NIGHT.



Hungry Hyslop-Can't you help me a bit, boss? I hain't had nothin' to be thankful for to-day.

Mr. Delmonico Savarin (who has dined too well)-Be thankful that you haven't an indigestion!-Puck.

If Any Are Alive.

"I heard little Johnny say that Thanksgiving day would be here soon," said a young turkey to its mamma. "Do turkeys have Thanksgiving days,

"Yes, my dear," replied the mammaturkey. "We will hold ours after the folks at the house have had theirs-if we live."-Judge.

Where He Worships.

Bloobumper-I suppose you will re-pair to your place of worship on Thanksgiving day, as the president

recommends in his proclamation. Spatts-Yes, I expect to cat my dinner on that day at my best girl's house. What He Never Saw

Inquiring Boy-And have you seen avalanches in the Alps?

Great Traveler-Yes, my son. 'And elephants in Asia?"

"And tigers in Africa?" "Plenty of them."

"Ever seen a polar bear?" "Several." "Ever seen any wild monkeys?"

"Thousands." "Did you ever see a-a polar bear chasin' a elephant with a tiger on his back and a lot of monkeys laughin' to see a avalanche comin' after 'em?"-Good News.

The Real and Ideal.

The man represented himself as a French music teacher, but he looked more like a tramp.

"I don't know about his musical ability," said the lady of the house when he had gone, "but I don't believe he is a real Frenchman."

"He must be mamma," dissented the daughter, "for anybody could see be was not an ideal Frenchman."-Detroit Free Press.

In Chicago, of Course.

Guest-Call the patrol wagon and have that waiter taken charge of. Proprietor-Why?

"He is crazy-stark, staring crazy." "Oh, I guess not. What makes you

"He refused to take a tip." "You're right. I'll ring for the patrol myself."-Texas Siftings.

As to His Record.

"I have not seen you at church for a long time, Brother Negson," remon-strated the pastor, mildly. "I fear you are not making a good record as a Christian these days."

"No," said Brother Negson, apologetically. "I don't seem to be inh'm-in my usual form this season, elder."-Chicago Tribune.

Reporter-The stringency in the money market is due solely to-Banker-Don't talk nonsense! What

do you know about the financial ques-Reporter-Maybe not much; but

when it comes to scarcity of money I know a great deal more about it than vou do -- Hallo. Following Out the Prescription

Mr. Bing-o-Didn't the doctor tell you it would be death for you to take another drink of whisky? Bingo-I believe he did.

Mrs. Bingo-Then what are you doing in that cupboard? Bingo-I am dying an instantaneous

death.-Judge.

Another Case of Switch. "Aren't you ready yet?"

"I souldn't find my hair!" "We'll miss the train. Switches always seem to delay traffic!"-Music and Drama.

To Be Congratulated.

Willis-Borrowit has removed to Kansas. He says his nearest neighbor is thirty miles away. Wallace - Lucky neighbor. - Brooklvn Life.

An Aggravated Offense. He loved a young lady from Me., Who looked upon him with disde; "What, you for my beau" I don't think you kneau Enough to come out of the re."
—Chicago Record.

A KNIGHT OF LABOR.



-Truth. In the Moonlight,

Little rays of moonlight Streaming down above her. Make a girl so pretty
You cannot help but love her.
—Detroit Free Press.

Could Count on the Choir. A peppery parson down east, who was disturbed by his choir during prayer time, got even with them when he gave out the closing hymn by adding: "I hope the entire congregation will join in singing this grand old hymn, and I know the choir will, for I heard them humming it during the prayer."

So Kind of Him.

"Who is your physician, Mrs. Nervus?" "Dr. Killum."

"Do you like him?"

"Oh, so much. He always lets me have the diseases that I profer."-Chieago Record.

And He Overheard It.

Portia-Here's Dick Roller with his million-dollar fiancee. Helen-He looks like a martyr, doesn't he?

Portia-Yes; bound to the stake .-Frank Leslie's Weekly.

A Needed Warning.

Brace-I wish my creditors could have that sign before them on the 1st of every month.

Bagley-What sign? Brace-Post no bills .- Puck.

Sure It Wasn't His.

"Lend me that umbrella, please." "Do you think I'd lend you my um-

"I didn't ask you to lend me yours." -Brooklyn Life.

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5:25 p. m. Train 12 [Daily except Sunday] for Harrisburg and intermediate points, arriving at Philadelphia 19:55 p. m. New York 3:50 a, m., Baltimore 10:40 p. m., Washington 4:10 a. m., Passenger coach to Philadelphia.

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Train 11—Leaves Philadelphia 8:50 a. m.,
Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore 8:45 a. m.,
(dally except Sunday) arriving at Sunbury, 1:35
with Parlor car from Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore,
Train 1—Leaves New York 9:00 a. m., Philadelphia 1:55 a. m., Washington 10:15 a. m., Baltimore 11:10 a. m., (daily except Sunday) arriving
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from Philadelphia and Baltimore.
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"brough Coach and Parlor car from Philadelphia.

phia.

Train 9 leaves New York 6:30 p. m., Philadel-phia 9:20 p. m., Washington 7:40 p. m., Batti-more 8:45 p. m., (Daily except Saturday,) arriv-ing at Sunbury, 2:04 a. m. with Pullman sleeping ing at Sunbury, 2:04 a. m. with Pullman sleeping cars and passenger coaches from Washington and Battimore.

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