To count the mercies of the year. Forgetting not one favoring gale, Or lifted load, or cheering smile, The half to tell, the time would fail; Praise, praise His name!

Heap high the board, and gather round, The old, the young-the faces dear; The Nation's heart throbs high with joy, While heart-fires glow with warmth and

Praise, praise His name?

Yes, thanks unstinted offer now. Whate'er the coming days may bring, Sharing our gifts with brothers poor, Adding fresh notes the while we sing-Praise to His name!

## Danny's Thanksgiving.

BY EDITH SESSIONS TUPPER.



taken Danny for a one for all that.

Danny wasn't dirty or ragged. His face was very clean, and his clothing, though poor and

patched, was neat. The dogs didn't bark at him as they did at most of the tramps who came along the country road, but ran up to him and, after sniffing at him a bit, trotted along contentedly at his heels as if saying, "There isn't a bad sort of a boy, after all."

And yet Danny was a tramp. He had slept in haylofts, barrels, under trees and on doorsteps for many a night, with only the stars to watch over him. He had been hungry and cold and wet and tired out, but through it all the boy had kept up a stout heart, for he was tramping home -or at least back to the place where he was born.

It all happened in this way. Danny's father once owned a small farm up among the hills in Western New York. There was a big red farmhouse on the slope, with woods behind it and lilac bushes in the front yard. There was a barn filled with sweet-scented hay and lowing cattle. There was a fine fat pig back of the barn, and there were beehives near the orchard and a dog that leapt with joy when Danny came home from school, and a big, lazy cat that sunned herself on the east porch of a fine morning.

Danny remembered all these delights perfectly, for he was eight years old when his father sold the farm and moved to New York. Danny remembered everything else that had happened in the last five dreadful years; his father's white face and cry of terror when he found he had been robbed of all the money he had on earth; the poverty, the sickness, the dreary hunt for work; the fever that took his father away, and the cough that killed his mother. Dann; didn't like to think of these things as he tramped along day after day.

It was just before his mother died that she called him to her bedside and told him that after she was gone she to push on to Clifton, which he knew wanted him to go back to the country. "Don't stay here in this dreadful city, my boy," she murmured. "It has killed your father and me. Go find friends there. Tell them who you are, and they'll take you in and give you work and start you in life. I can rest better if you'll promise me."

So Danny promised. And the day after his mother's funeral he took a prolonged survey of the bare, cheerless room in an east side back tenement, packed up one or two little over. keepsakes of his mother, said good-by to the sobbing, kindly Irish woman who had mothered him in his sorrow, and set his little face westward.

That's why Danny became a tramp. It was late in the fall when he struck Allegany County. The leaves were gone from the trees and the ground was stiff and hard. Here and there as her. he pegged along he met great wagons loaded with rosy apples and golden pumpkins. Sometimes the farmers who drove them would toss him an apple, and oh! how good it tasted to the hungry boy, whose appetite was whetted by the keen air.

village of Clinton and inquire for but he didn't hesitate. He gave one Squire Josiah Brown. Mrs. Brown jump, landed by baby, pushed her off was her schoolgirl friend, she had said, and would take him in until he could the cowcatcher struck his shoulder. get a place to work, while the Squire was a just and kindly man who would do what was right by him for his parents' sake. So Danny's inquiries were were dropping. There was a group ever for the village of Clifton, just on of men about him. A white-haired the line between Cattaraugus and Alle- man held something to his lips, and home-your home as long as you want gany counties.

when the footsore and weary lad sat one escape!"

given him. The sun shone brightly, gineer, who was holding him. though the air was biting.

The boy was so tired that in spite of feebly, as he drank from the cup held his efforts to keep awake he was dosing, to his lips. "Is the baby safe?" ish voices, and, starting up, saw two man in the group. "It was the bray- justice of the peace no longer. He's little girls with baskets in their hands est deed ever done." evidently on a nutting excursion, and commotion, and a tall man, dressed in | ny, my boy, I'm Squire Brown," and

when he was suddenly roused by childregarding him gravely. They were and offer him some of their spoils. tion to learn that they lived "over there," pointing vaguely across the cut, where the track ran, and that they were gathering nuts for the Thanksgiving dinner on the mcrrow.

Danny noted their neat frocks, clean pinafores and warm coats, and, feeling rather ashamed of his patches and the shoes through which his bruised feet were bursting, volunteered no information about himself,

scraps of food a farmer's wife had ly asked the big, tender-hearted en-

"I guess so," said Danny, rather Brown thinks best."

presently the elder, a little maid of overalls and wearing a flapping broadabout nine, ventured to approach him | brimmed hat, hurried up, exclaiming:

"Whar's the boy that saved my lit-Danny bashfully accepted the nuts, tie Janie? Let me have him," and and entered far enough into conversa- he lifted him right out of the engineer's arms. "You brave little man, where d'ye come from?"

"From New York," said Danny,

faintly. "Hain't got no home?"

"No." "What's your folks-your pa and

"They're dead, sir."

There was silence for a moment, but rather hoped they would soon go, all you gentlemen here witness what I curve of some fluted silver, and a though their friendliness had warmed say. From this moment this 'ere great look of fear stole over his chubby tramp, but he was his lonely heart. But he was anxious boy's my son, to raise and care fur." face.

"I'd like to stay," said Danny, whose heart was overflowing now, "if Squire

At this the farmer shouted with glee. "Squire Brown's all right," he "Yes, you little hero," cried a young said. "Fer Danny, my boy, he ain't a plain farmer, now, an' he bought Just then there was a stir and a this here farm two years ago. Danthen and there, the Squire arose, and snapping his fingers, proceeded from very joy to dance an ungainly double shuffie on the kitchen floor.

> Well, Danny's long tramp was over. He was home again at last. Home in time for the happiest of Thankgivings, including probably the finest dinner to which a boy ever sat down.

## Freddy's Fear.

It was at the Thanksgiving dinner, and Freddy, aged six, was seated at the festive board. He caught sight of and then the farmer cried: "Then a reflection of himself in the concave

ists, a deep-sided baking dish was filled with fruit, flavored toothsomely

Thanksgiving Day Pastry.

In the English homes of the Colon-

with spice and well-sprinkled with sugar. An inverted cup was placed in the center to draw the juices away from the edge, and the whole was covered with a great roof of rich pastry and baked till crust and contents were done. This was a fruit pudding. A tart was made by covering the bottom of a shallow dish with rolled-out pastry spread thickly with cooked fruit, which in turn was crossed and over-crossed with strips of paste and

baked in an oven. The Colonial modification of these dainties was the truly American pie. Of hothouse and garden fruits, to make it with there was no supply, but the undergrowth of the bush and bramble that the virgin forests shadowed, gave a rich harvest of raspberries. whortleberries and blackberries which were delicious both before and after cooking and when carefully dried, most useful through the winter as piefillers. What little of the precious sugar of commerce was possessed by the early settlers was carefully preserved in silver or old china sugar bowls for the use of invalids, but such friendly Indians as became willing, if independent, servitors of the whites, soon communicated the secret of the inexhaustible sweetness that hid in the maple trees. The aboriginal method of sugaring the sap was adopted and improved upon, and before long maple sugar was a very desirable commodity, easily exchanged, on the arrival of trading ships, for

their coveted merchandise. It would be interesting to know when pumpkins and their resulting pies became known, but sure it is, that ever since the dawn of pumpkin pie, it has had in American hearts a significance synonymous with patriotism, and also symbolic of gratitude, for since its invention it has been indispensable at the Thanksgiving feast whether public or private. Whittier, our most loyal poet, gives a song in its praise:

'On Thanksgiving Day, when from East an 1 from West.

From North and from South come the pilgrim and guest. When the gray-haired New Engiander sees

round his board The old broken links of affection restored.

When the care-wearied man seeks his mother And the worn matron smiles where the girl smiled before-

What calls back the past like the rich pump

kin pie?" But why put a p in the middle o the pumpkin? The letter was silent on the lips of our ancestors and is unuttered by all of their descendants except the ultra precise. The word is not correct either with or without the silent letter; the big yellow fruit of the vine being really a pompion, so it is the k that should be abstained from by scholarly pie-eaters.

Said the Football Player to the Turkey,



"Old bird, you're not in it any

# Culinary Hint for Thanksgiving.

If the Thanksgiving turkey presents ious one it is. It seems very meet to itself rather lean and dry, strips of

# Turkey-Dressing.

Thanksgiving is the day of all the year when the cranberry crop gets The American public to the turkey

gobbler: "I've got a bone to pick with you to-morrow."

Thanksgiving day is supposed to be a time for giving thanks and not for "kicking," and yet the day is devoted all over the country to football,

First Turkey Gobbler- "Where's that brat of mine that was playing about here a minute ago?" Second Gobbler-"Just gone into the house to be dressed for dinner."

#### DISASTERS AND CASUALTIF

Ernest Huhn, Superintendent of the Eage Bird Mine at Maybert, California, feli 600 feet down the shaft, and was instantly

The schooner Antelope capsized near the mouth of Grand Haven Harbor, Michigan, and the three men composing her crew were

George Smith was shot in mistake for a deer by a companion, Richard Raynor, near Bohemia, Long Island, and died of his is-

School boys dug a cave on a vacant lot in St. Louis, and the roof caved in. Henry Raedner, aged 8 years, was killed, and Herman Walkinford, aged 12 years, was badly

A flerce sand storm has prevailed at Oklahoma and Cherokee strip for the past week. At Perry the fires in the business section were extinguished by order of the city au-The steamer Crown of England was

wrecked on a reef off Santa Monica, California. The news was brought to that place by the mate and five seamen; the rest of the crew were left on the reef. A 12-year-old-son of R. J. Maury was

caught by a sash in a school-house window at Marion, Illinois, and was strangled to death. It is supposed that he tried to climb through the window to get his gloves, and was caught by the sash. John Washburn, Jr., a boy at Sing Sing.

New York, fired a shot-gun into a keg of powder in Abraham Jones's sporting goods store. The powder exploded, Washburn was killed and the building was destroyed by the fire that followed. The boy did not know the gun was loaded.

The steamer Creole Prince, at New York, from Trinidad and Demerara, brought two out of three survivors of the abandoned schooner Coronet, of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, who were picked up at sea on the outward voyage by the same steamer. Four of the schooner's crew were washed overboard and drowned.

A flerce wind and dust storm struck the city of Denver from the north, filling the air so that it was impossible to see across the street for a long time. Many plate glass windows and awnings were destroyed. The temperature fell 20 degrees in 30 minutes, and later in the day a wet snow began falling.

## MEDIATION NOT WANTED.

Japan Declines the Offer Made by Our Government.

The Japanese Government replied to the note of United States Minister Dun asking whether a tender by the President of the United States of his good offices in the interest of restoring peace in the East would be agreeable to Japan. The Minhast would be agreeable to sapar. The minister is informed that, althought the friendly sentiments which prompted the offer are deeply appreciated, the success of the Japanese arms has been such that China should approach Japan directly on the subject.

# MARKETS.

EALTIMORE	1
GRAIN, ETC.	
FLOUR—Balto, Best Pat.\$ High Grade Estra	@ \$ 3 85 5 15
WHEAT-No. 2 Red 59 CORN-No. 2 White 54	59 54
OATS-Southern & Penn. 35 RYE-No. 2	35)
HAY—Choice Timothy 12 09 Good to Prime 11 03	12 50 11 50
STRAW-Rye in car ids. 100) Wheat Blocks 551	10 50
Oat Blocks, 7 00	7 50
CANNED GOODS.	

TOMATOES-Stnd. No. 3.8 No. 2..... PEAS—Standards..... 2 00 CORN-Dry Pack..... Moist .....

BIDES. CITY STEERS..... City Cows..... Southern No. 2..... POTATOES & VEGETABLES.

POTATOES-Burbanks .. \$ 45 @ \$ ONIONS..... PROVISIONS. HOGS PRODUCTS-shids.\$

@ # Clear ribsides..... Hams..... Mess Pork, per bar.... LARD—Crude..... Best refined..... BUTTER BUTTER-Fine Crmy....\$

Under fine....... Creamery Bolis..... CHEESE, CHEESE-N.Y. Fancy ... \$ 11% 3 \$ N. Y. flats..... Skim Cheese.....

EGGS-State..... \$ 22 North Carolina..... LIVE POULTRY. CHICKENS-Hens.....\$

Ducks, per lb ..... TOBACCO-M4. Infer's.\$ 159 @ \$ 250 Sound common....... Middling..... Fancy..... 10 90

LIVE STOCK. BEEF-Best Beeves ..... \$ 435 @ \$ 450 Good to Fair ..... SHEEP.....

FURS AND SKINS. MUSERAT..... Red Fox. 100 Opossum.....

NEW YORK.

FLOUR-Southern ..... \$ 310 WHEAT-No. 2 Red.....

PHILADELPHIA.

FLOUR—Southern.....\$3 60. WHEAT—No. 2 Red..... 59 CORN—No. 3..... 52 OATS—N. 2..... 57 BUTTER—State...... 25 EGGS—Penns. ft...... 24

BRINGING HOME THE THANKSGIVING TURKEY.

was now only a mile or so away.

The little girls soon said "good-by," and, taking the path the other side of the brook, passed down the slope to

Danny was just stooping over to pick up his poor little bundle, preparatory to resuming his tramp, when he heard an awful scream of distress. He dropped his bundle, and, run-

ning to the edge of the ravine, looked The elder of the little girls had crossed the track in safety and stood

on the opposite side screaming madly :

'Baby, baby; come, come quick!" Baby, only five, stood right on the track, seemingly fascinated by the sight of the great shining monster dashing round the curve straight upon

The engineer was leaning half way out the cab, with a face as white as death. The bell was wildly ringing and the whistle blowing frantically, but baby did not move.

Poor Danny was only a boy, you know. He felt his heart leap to his His mother had told him to seek the | throat and his legs shake under him, the track and rolled after her, just as

When Danny came to himself he was lying in the arms of a big, brawny man, down whose rugged cheeks tears Danny heard him say, "He's coming ter stay. This here's your mother, if It was the day before Thanksgiving | round all right. But what a marvel-

down in the woods to rest and eat the | "Are ye all right, me boy?" anxious- | little sister."

When the train had vanished around the curve, and the farmer had carried | I like that? Am I like that?" Danny up the slope, the boy said: mother made me promise to find resented the little boy's head upside back to the hills and the woods. You'll the deep cut where the railroad track Squire Brown, of Clifton, and he down, but she didn't think of that, you know him?"

The farmer's face wore a queer expression as he said: "Wall, yes, I eyes filling with tears, "will you please know him. Who was your mother, leave Susan put me to bed? If-if-if

farmer listened intently, and when the any-any more dinner. Is-s-up-pose. boy had finished said: "Wall, you must spend Thanksgivin' with us, anyhow, and if you don't want to stay

barrassment.

When they passed through the ortrembled

"My-what-why," Danny stammered, looking about.

"My boy," said the farmer solemnly, as he took the little wanderer's hands, "you've come home. This was your father's farm. You see, you've apgone ter the village you'd have come at his Thanksgiving dinner. another way and mebbe wouldn't have been turned round. But you're some you kin call her that, and that baby there whose life you've saved is your

"Mamma, mamma," he cried, "Am

His mother looked and saw nothing "You're awful kind sir, but my unusual. Of course the reflection repwould help me to get work. Maybe and informed the youth that he did resemble the image.

"Well, mamma," said Freddy, his I've already g-got upside down"-Danny told him all his story. The here he began to cry, "I can't-have-

# Thanksgiving and Giving.

The institution of Thanksgiving is longer, we'll see what Squire Brown an old one, and a very sweet and prec-Half-way across the fields they came give thanks for what we receive, and salt pork laid over it and under it upon the farmer's wife hastening to there is never a time when we do not will be found to much improve its meet them. She literally fell on Dan- have something to be thankful for. flavor. Use the liquid to baste it ny and hugged him much to his em- The Hebrews always gave a tenth of thoroughly. A half pound of pork to their increase to the Lord, and they a six-pound turkey is about the right were blessed in so doing. It is noth- proportion. If the double roasting chard Danny gave a great start; when ing that we of to-day cannot do, and pan is used, doing away with basting. he saw the barn he rubbed his eyes as receive like blessing. We are not two or three slices only should be if he were half awake, and when they called upon to sacrifice our live stock placed on top of the fowl. entered the big kitchen of the red on formal altars, but we can lay up farmhouse he turned pale and for ourselves treasures in heaven by giving of what we have to those who need. "He that hath pity on the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will He pay him again."

#### In St. Petersburg. "What part of the turkey do you

proached it from the back. If you'd | prefer?" asked the American minister "Eh? Coustantinople," replied his Imperial majesty of Russia absently.

> Jealous of the Canary. A lonely turkey trembling sang My lot would be, if 'twere to sit Enside a cage, and sing."