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making beer, which is now approaching the three-per-cent-of-alcohol stage. They want to go on selling beer to citizens for use in their homes, hotels, inns and clubs...

RUSSIA'S PLAIN PEOPLE VERSUS BOLSHEVIKI ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S supreme faith in the plain people is vindicated by the swift and significant movement of events in Russia...

WHY WE MUST EAT TURKEY THIS day brings with it the perennial question, "What have we to be thankful for?" From England and France come the greetings of famous men...

AN ANTHOLOGY OF MINCE PIE

History of Thanksgiving Pastry Spread Across the Centuries

By HENRY LONGCOPE

WHEN the owl and the pussy cat went to sea in a beautiful pea-green boat, it will be remembered they took along with them a plentiful supply of mince, which, during the course of the legend, it is told they ate with a runcible spoon...

Tom Daly's Column

BALLADE OF WHITE THANKSGIVING

Giving promise that this might be such a storm as our fathers knew, Tuesday night, in a sudden spree, Out of the north the snowflakes flew...

Children leaped from their beds to see "How of a sudden the snow had snowed! Looked and capered and sang in glee, Glad for the coating that bloomed in view..."

Most peculiar it seems to me, This decay of the storms that blew Round Thanksgiving that used to be, I've seen pictures the artists drew...

Old inhabitant! tell me true, Are you wishing us when you sneer: "This is nothing but slush an' ooze, Whereas the snows of yesteryear..."

IT'S the bare truth. We can't recall one Thanksgiving Day carpeted with crisp snow and with a glint of cold blue sky overhead...

That white and gray Thanksgiving Day came out of a blue sky. As usual, the weather man got his signals mixed. (Have you noticed how he's been missing it lately?)

Forecast for Thursday Eastern Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland: Fair and continued cold; fresh northwesterly winds.

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A CHIP OF THE OLD BLOCK



THANKSGIVING-DAY THOUGHTS

Noted English and French Authors and Publicists Express Sentiments of the Season—Thankful for American Intervention

WHAT has the world to be thankful for? This question was put to a number of British and French writers and publicists.

"I have never personally been thankful for anything so much as the entrance of the United States into the war," said the Right Rev. A. P. Winnington Ingram, Bishop of London.

"It seemed unthinkable that we should be fighting for the freedom of the world and that we should be fighting by blood fighting at our side. But now we have and it is a great cause of thanksgiving that we are now bound to one another in a bond of common self-sacrifice which nothing can ever break."

"It is also a matter of great thanksgiving that the issue is so clear. No one can doubt for a moment that the triumph of our enemies means the downfall of all that we mean by Liberty, Justice and Truth and that all our glorious sons who die for these causes die in the same cause for which Christ died. It must be our unflinching determination to see that their sacrifice is not in vain."

Arnold Bennett's Comment "Both America and Great Britain have to be thankful that the idea of democracy is making progress throughout the world," said Arnold Bennett. "Democracy means disarmament. The instrument of disarmament will be a League of Nations; and we have also to be thankful that in both countries there are powerful men who understand the supreme importance of a League of Nations."

Emile Boutroux, celebrated writer and member of the French Academy, made this comment: "It has been said, 'What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?'"

"Well-disposed observers, especially on the other side of the Rhine, thought of saying could be applied to the United States. Did the citizens of the Union, all-powerful in material things, still preserve the high idealism of the Pilgrim Fathers and of the heroes of the War of Independence?"

The Sublime Ideal "The present war, which is a defiance thrown by force in the face of liberty, of justice and humanity, put the American nation to the test. Provided it would consent to renounce its noble origins, religious and moral, it was practically assured of an enormous increase of prosperity and well-being; whereas to stand up against the most formidable machine of destruction ever known meant taking every risk."

"America, after profound reflection, realized the nature of the struggle and resolutely spoke up: 'Here we are!'"

"When duty whispers low: 'Thou must!'"

"According to the poet-philosopher, this interior motive, this absolute devoting of one's self to a duty which whispers softly and exercises no coercion, is inspired by God himself."

President Wilson has declared loudly: "It was not the consideration of material advantages, the desire for obtaining any profit whatsoever, which in April, 1917, guided the American soul; it was the spirit of our ancestors which had remained faithful to its sublime ideal."

"And it is for this triumphant action of Divine Grace in the American soul that the American people, and with it all those who are fighting for justice, should thank God in this year of trial which will, without doubt, be decisive for the future of humanity."

THE ELDERLY SAFETY-PIN The safety-pin and the hook and eye are generally supposed to be modern inventions. The former, in fact, has been credited to Queen Victoria. She may have improved upon it, but certainly she is not entitled to the distinction of having invented it. Numerous specimens of the useful contrivance have been found in the ruins of Crete. Some of them are in the museum of the University of Pennsylvania, and the museum has also a hook and eye from the same place.

Both the safety-pins and the hook and eye now in the museum were made at least 2000 years before Christ. Some are made of bronze, but amber or some other material was often used on the more elaborate pins. Some were even made of finally wrought gold.—Youth's Companion.

BLOCKING VAREISM IN COUNCILS

THE Town Meeting party is going about its business with quiet and earnest efficiency. Organization must defeat the "Organization." In businesslike recognition of this simple and effective principle the independent Councilmen and Councilmen-elect have formed a "block."

There are forty-five of them. They comprise the first substantial reform representation returned to the two chambers in many years. If the Town Meeting party could not gain complete control of municipal legislation and financing, the next best thing was to win an entering wedge against Vero-Smith autocracy. What was won is something to be thankful for at this season. It means a solid front against a gap in former gaudy domination. It means a solidarity for municipal constructiveness, in watchful opposition to the destructiveness of "steals" and "deals." With forty-five Councilmen aligned for the single purpose of serving Philadelphia, Vero-Smith legislation loses in potentiality for evil. This is a Thanksgiving thought to bring contentment to honest citizens.

There have been peace plots in Berlin. If the Kaiser thought rioting would bring peace he would riot too.

Recent Vantage Turns to Varies—Headline. They'll take the real "sout" in the majority election two years hence.

Even without the suffrage, which they are due to gain soon, Philadelphia women can take an active part in responsible citizenship. One way will be to make by the food administration's police list and report attempted "roughing" by profiteers. Watchful and co-operating housewives can be of more assistance to Mr. Heinz than a whole corps of Secret Service agents.

The strongest men of Cornell hurried off to enlist as soldiers, and it is for that reason that it is not a strong football team that plays Penn on Franklin Field today. The Ithaca coaches had to make up a team out of rejected men, and those too young for the service. Penn thus may get all the glory in the Thanksgiving Day gridiron struggle.

A fortnight ago Europe expected Venice to fall into the hands of the Teutons. A request was sent by a neutral to the young Empress of Austria that Venice be not destroyed. "The fate of Venice," she answered with pride, "rests with the actions of the Italian Government." She was right. The Italian Government has seen to the safety of Venice, but in a far different manner than the Empress Zita was thinking of.

WHISKY WARS ON BEER

WHISKY has jumped up in a tantrum and hit the ceiling. The liquor dealers want to boycott the brewers who have declared war on saloons. It is not to be supposed that the brewers want to stop

What Do You Know?

- QUIZ 1. Who is General Kravchenko? 2. Where is Bourlon Wood? 3. What class of industrial workers will be exempt from the draft in 1917? 4. What is a symphony? 5. Which is the Pine Tree State? 6. What newspaper was known as "The Thunderer"? 7. Name the temporary capital of Belgium? 8. Who is president of the Atlantic Island Waterways Association? 9. What is meant by "The Yellow Peril"? 10. Who said "England expects every man to do his duty"?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Rear Admiral Frederick E. Harris, chief of the former U.S. fleet of Honolulu. 2. Technical head of the United States Emergency Fleet Corporation. 3. President Menocal is the chief executive of Cuba. 4. Robert Louis Stevenson wrote "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde." 5. The Princess Tatiana is the oldest daughter of the former Czar of Russia, according to a current story, she is now in the United States. 6. The Brenta River is in northern Italy in the field of the Italian resistance in Teutonic invasion. 7. A barrel of flour contains 106 pounds. 8. Tokyo is the capital of Japan. 9. The Keystone State is Pennsylvania, in the original colonies. 10. Patrick Henry said "Give me liberty or give me death" in the persuasion of his speech to the House of Burgesses in Virginia in 1775, advocating secession and revolution.

ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN

Forty thousand women are working in the mines of Germany. Several Holyoke College girls are working as drivers of milk wagons. Kimura Komasa was the first woman to make suffrage speeches in Japan. There are 80,000 registered women nurses in the United States. Princess Eudoxia, of Bulgaria, is said to be the real ruler in that country. Girls are employed as messengers in all the municipal offices in Portland, Ore. Saloonkeepers in Hartlepool, England, refuse to sell intoxicating liquors to women. Eighty per cent of the women entitled to vote in the United States are married. Madam Curie, discoverer of polonium and radium, is an ardent suffragist. In New York State 1,066,000 women over twenty-one years of age are unmarried or widowed. Dr. Mabel H. F. Bancroft, of Orono, N. J., has been appointed a medical inspector for the welfare commission in Paris.—Hartford Times.

KINSEY

Would you like to hear what Kinsey did for his "bit" for the war? When he wandered into Paris, with just the clothes he wore: And a wheel, made in the nineties, and somewhat worse for wear. Not a penny in his pocket, and odd jobs for daily fare. Yet he swore he'd do his "bit" for France, and bring the "shekels" in: "There's just one thing I know," says he, with a rather sheepish grin: "The Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," I learned it when a boy: "I'll say it in each town in France, if I can say it a saveloy!" So Kinsey mounts upon his wheel (you'd laugh to see his clothes) His pants and coat a mile too tight, half way on his nose. But yet he "had the goods" all right—wished you'd heard that piece! He knew just how to swing his arms to make the Curfew cease. At first they thought him rather daff, but before the piece was thro, they knew he did the best they could, and headed in the sou's. So when the war is over, and we start to reckon up The man who did the best they could, Kinsey have the cup! —A. Woodward, of the "Night"