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THE WIDOW'S THANKSGIVING FESTIVAL.

Dreadful indeed had been the accident. Through the carelessness of a switch-tender...

It seemed to his wife then that, with all his care for her, he was fading away. Her children were about her, but they were children.

She fell asleep, thinking the water over, and awoke in the morning with a shamed sense of some light and interest creeping into her life.

When the morning's duties were fulfilled, she sat down again by the fire to dream now, but to plan for action.

But why should I describe the dire agony we have almost all of us suffered in some form? What I have to do with Mrs. Saybrook's life after the funeral...

Her children were careless, happy, and in health—they had their school and comrades; but she had made few friends in Salem.

She was not a woman of broad heart, and she was not generous. My father had had a child, 'twould've been such a blessing.

That's so, chimed in Mrs. Perkins. "I had two on 'em, to be sure, when Perkins was a boy, but they were not a comfort to speak of, for they went and had diphtheria inside of six months, and one of 'em died right off, just as sudden."

Mr. Saybrook's arm stole about little Willie, and Mrs. Hutchins remarked very gently: "I expect folks each has their special troubles. I can't but remember when Josiah died and left me about helpless with hip-trouble—and a young babe, too."

"Well," said Mrs. Peck, with an audible sniff and a hard voice, "I didn't think I was the worst off of that ever was when Peck died. He was a drinkin' man, and he was a drunkard."

"You don't none of 'em, ye've jest my friend," said Aunt Brounfeld. "Tom Brounfeld was first mate to a whalin' ship, and he was a drunkard."

"I shall not try to thanksgiving," she said, dreamily; and looking up, saw her husband sitting opposite her, in his own chair, which she had never moved from its place by the hearth.

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Good Nature in Politics.

It is rather pleasant, now that the political conflict is over, to note in what good nature the entire country seems to be.

There was a dead silence. Nobody felt like breaking it; but little Ray, who had listened with his sweet blue eyes wide open and his lips apart, put both her arms about Aunt Hannah's neck, and with a child's quick wisdom, gave her a reassuring kiss.

When dinner was over they gathered about the drawing-room fire, and tea was served. Soon afterward the carriage took them away in relays, and Mrs. Saybrook sat down in the library and hid her face in her hands.

Living, affectionate children, a long sweet memory of love and care lavished on her, of complete happiness, an ample provision left—not only her needs, but her comforts.

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Leprosy Among the Chinese in America.

A writer who has given attention to the alarming fact that the hideous disease of leprosy is being introduced into this country by the Chinese, gives the following to the press:

Only a few weeks ago, an American physician here, learning from a Chinese convert where there was a leper in a far advanced stage of the disease, sought to view the case for the purpose of making a study of it.

But this has been a campaign of funniness. Memory of man recalls not another occasion of such universal interest in a National election, an interest that brought out the aged and the infirm, and made the streets of the city thronged with thousands of voters.

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Novelties in Jewelry.

A tress of pearls, with a diamond base, makes an attractive top of a bonnet pin, and the crown of a hat.

A small jewelry cap of tiny pearls and topazites is much admired by wearers of scarf pins.

An elegant claw, holding a handsome sapphire, is a pleasing design for a single pearl hair pin.

A hammered gold crescent, within which a tiny forget-me-not, is a pretty design in scarf pins.

Gold initials, suggestive of the owner's name, are much admired as pendants for glove buttons.

A pearl bracelet much in favor is of white pearls, having a pearl set in a setting of diamonds and rubies.

Two pink pearls separated by a golden tassel set with seed pearls is a handsome design in bonnet pins.

A carnation pin paved with rubies, having two diamond points, make a costly but attractive design in brooches.

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Tickets, Please!

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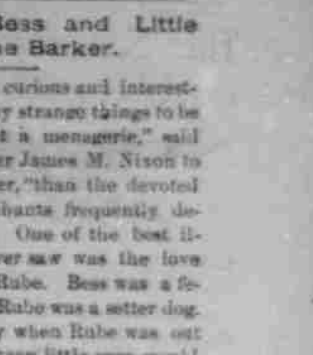
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Elephantine Boss and Little Rube, the Barker.

"Nothing is more curious and interesting among the many strange things to be noted in and about the 'menagerie' of the veteran manager James M. Nixon at a New York reporter, than the devoted affection that elephants frequently demonstrate for dogs.

"When we were going to Lowell from Boston Rube, who had a sore foot, was put in one of the baggage wagons and sent on ahead. When they came to start the elephants for the march, Ben noticed he got down on his knees and begged. She stood and trembled for him, snorted and trumpeted for excitement, and would not be driven. The other elephants began to snare her excitement, and a man had to be sent on a swift horse after Rube. The wagon he was on came back. The drivers were well again, and Ben appeared as happy as a mother who had nursed a child over a spell of sickness.

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