TWO VIEWS of the WORLD

THE PESSIMIST.

Thanksgiving? Why should I be thankful? I've
no millions piled away;
People do not gladly cheer me; I have little
time to play;
Others go to view the wonders to be found
across the sea;
But I toil through all the seasons—there is little rest for me.
All that I can earn is quickly claimed by those
who lie in wait,
Overcharging me in order that their profits
may be great.

Why should I be thankful, brother? What I
have I've had to get
Through the hardest kind of digging; I have
paid with honest sweat;
I have pushed ahead unaided, Fate and Fortune I've defied;
I've refused to let them crush me, though they've often grimly tried.
Why, therefore, should I be thankful? To my strength and to my will
I'm indebted for permission to keep striving onward still.

THE OPTIMIST.

Thanksgiving! I am truly thankful, though I still must work away,
Though there are no crowds to cheer me, though I've little time to play;
Other men may look for pleasure, from the cares of duty free,
Others know the joys of leisure, but there's little rest for me;
Yet how weak is he that sadly sits complaining at his fate;
I have thanks to render gladly for a vigor that
is great.

Why should I be thankful, brother? I that
have to strive and sweat,
Earning doubly, yea and trebly, all the blessings that I get?
I have marched ahead unaided, though my
strength has oft been tried,
I have kept my soul unsullied, I'm entitled still
to pride;
I am thankful for my courage, thankful for an
iron will,
And the buoyant hope a thousand bitter failures could not kill.

CUSTOM HAS ALWAYS BEEN

Popular Error Holds That President Lincoln Issued First Thanksgiving Proclamation.

There is some discussion as to the origin of the present national custom of observing Thanksgiving day. It was held by a large number of people, until recently, that the custom was first established by President Lincoln during the Civil war. Examination of the records showed that this was a mistake. A number of the presidents who preceded Mr. Lincoln issued Thanksgiving proclamations, the practice dating back to Washington. They had been desultory, however, and there had been no regular repetition of the proclamation until after it had been issued by Mr. Lincoln.

The custom of observing a day of thanksgiving and prayer is as old as the civilization of the country. It was inaugurated in New England very shortly after the arrival of the first English immigrants, and it gradually became the day of all others in the year, for surpassing Christmas in the enthusiasm and universality of its observance. In the southern states, prior to the Civil war, it was quite general, though there was no common day of celebration. The governors of the states issued their proclamations without reference to the dates set by the governors of other states, and it not infrequently happened that the celebration would occur in Maryland on a day different from that which was observed in the neighboring states. There were commonwealths, prior to the Civil war, where no proclamation was issued, and there was no observance whatever.

The proclamation of Mr. Lincoln seemed to electrify the country and to cement the states in their observance of Thanksgiving, though there were commonwealths which for some years afterward selected a different date. This gradually ceased, until now the celebration has become a thoroughly national and universal event. For a while it eclipsed the Fourth of July, and in New England today it far surpasses Christmas in interest. With the disappearance of sectionalism, however, the Fourth of July has assumed its normal place in American holidays, and is not likely again, through any combination of circumstances, to lose it.

Thanksgiving Prayer.

For days of health, for nights of quiet sleep; for seasons of bounty and beauty, for all earth's contributions to our need through this past year, good Lord, we thank thee. For our country's shelter; for our homes; for the joy of faces, and the joy of hearts that love; for the power of great examples; for holy ones who lead us in the ways of life and love; for our powers of growth; for longings to be better and do more; for ideals that ever rise above the real, good Lord, we humbly thank thee! For the blessedness of service and the power to fit ourselves to others' needs; for our necessities to work; for all that brings us nearer to each other, nearer to ourselves, nearer to thee, we thank thee, O our Father!—Selected.

Some Appropriate Thoughts.

The general idea is that when we have an abundance of material good we should be thankful. Of course, the converse is equally true. And as this is a matter of interpretation for each individual, and as he sees many of his fellows who have prospered better than he, it disinclines him to give thanks. Another theory is that although we have meager possessions others have less, therefore we should be thankful. This is a mighty mean way to do. It's one way of crowing over your unfortunate neighbor, and is the quintessence of littleness. Another way is to thank God that your neighbors are no better off than yourself. This was the case of the old lady when the frost caught her garden truck. Still another is to take advantage of your neighbor and then return thanks that you are self-made and successful. And yet another way is to do your neighbor ere he does you and then give thanks, as David Harum would say. And there are those who profess thankfulness because matters might be worse. And that brings up the query whether matters ever are so bad but that they might not be worse. If not, then one might find an endless chain of thanksgiving if one could really be thankful to a being who would so dispose or order events as to produce so much misery. All these notions or conceits are more or less crooked.

For Which We Owe Thanks.

That we have much to be thankful for no one doubts or denies. It is not necessary to rehearse details. We know that we are a happy and favored people. We are rich, prosperous and free. Our problems, great as they are, are as nothing compared with those that are distressing the nations of the old world. But the things which we regard as blessings, and for which we are supposed to give thanks, are blessings only as we use them right, and only in so far as we humbly acknowledge that they are the gifts of God. The danger is, not that we shall attribute too much to the divine power, but that we shall take too much credit to ourselves. This has always been true. Far back in Old Testament times the people were warned against thinking that they themselves had got the wealth which they enjoyed, and were told that it was God who had given them the power to get wealth. The old religious idea, therefore, rather than the new one, makes—if it is correctly understood—for national and individual humility.

Blessings Enumerated.

As a nation we individual citizens of the United States have reason above all other peoples for the giving of thanks. Where others have within the year been menaced by war, by domestic disorder, by revolution within or enemy without, Americans have been at peace at home and enjoying peaceful relations with all the world. Our government has been honored with the leadership in a movement for the limitation and eventual ending of war. The broad principles of democratic government upon which our republic rests have been an inspiration to less favored peoples even in the most backward quarters of the earth.

Reversible Thanksgiving

Let's be thankful for the coal that's in
the cellar;
If it's paid for, let's be thankful that it is;
If it isn't, let's be glad the other fellow
Must consider that the risk is wholly his.

Let's be thankful for the jobs at which
we labor;
If perchance it's not exactly what
we'd like
We may still be better fixed than some
poor neighbor
Who has just been bounced or called
upon to strike.

Let's be thankful if our relatives are
present
To share the joy we have; but if
they're not
The case will then, of course, be still
more pleasant,
So either way we'll have a happy lot.

Let's be thankful if the grim old money
question
Doesn't serve to keep our turkey off
the plate—
In case it does, we won't have indigestion
When the rich man's taking pills and
blaming Fate.

—*S. E. Kiser*

Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving day is the day when every one says he is thankful, and wants to eat turkey to prove it. If you haven't anything else to be thankful for, you can be thankful you are not a turkey.

Thanksgiving day was first observed by the Pilgrims, who were thankful that they had five grains of corn apiece. In these extravagant times a man wouldn't be thankful if he had ten grains of corn—which shows conclusively that we are prosperous. The trusts are doing a noble work in remedying this evil condition.

People have various unreasonable reasons for being thankful on Thanksgiving day. Some men are thankful they took a wife, and some are thankful they didn't take two. Bachelor maids are thankful they are not "horrid bachelors," and a married woman is always thankful that her husband has a good wife. It is easy to be thankful if you go about it right.

But the thing people are most thankful for is their money—even though they came by it honestly. The more a man has, the more thankful he is that it isn't less, and the less a man has the less likely he is to be thankful because it isn't more. Be thankful, therefore, that you haven't too much to be thankful for. Turkey tastes all the better for coming but once a year. —Lippincott's.

Time to Banish Depression.

You, perhaps, have had trials of the severest kind, rebuffs, bitter disappointments, trouble that has clouded life's sky, but there is a compensation in your life. The fine balance that nature shows in her great scheme does not stop with the natural world. It is continued on through evolutionary lines and finds compelling, convincing expression in our lives!

Trouble is sometimes another name for a character builder; disappointment frequently acts as a fine balance wheel. The story can be carried on in all directions of experience.

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I have an abiding faith that a falsehood never hurts anyone but him who propagates it. It is also my conviction that no man can pay a much greater homage to another than to deliberately misrepresent him. It is a cowardly confession of weakness and of inferiority.—John Bigelow, in "Retrospections of an Active Life."

Children Cry
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Scale Paasites and Spraying.

Prof. H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, has received a very heavy correspondence concerning the parasites of the San Jose scale, which he has proven have been remarkably efficient in the vicinity of Harrisburg and elsewhere in Pennsylvania. He has taken opportunity at all times to warn persons not to depend upon the parasites if the San Jose scale is present and alive on their property. There is a possibility that the parasites may develop and clean up the scale, and it is hoped that this will result from many of the shipments that have been made into regions where they have not been so efficient, yet the universal recommendation of Prof. Surface has been to spray with the boiled lime-sulfur solution at any time during the dormant season, when the San Jose scale is present, as shown by the following copy of a letter written by him to a Lancaster county correspondent:

"We do not send out mature winged parasitic insects for the purpose of introducing them into the orchards. We send cuttings of branches of trees infested with San Jose scale insects and containing the immature stages of the parasites with the expectation that these will develop and attack other San Jose scale insects in your neighborhood. These cuttings can be placed in trees where there are living San Jose scale.

"I note with peculiar interest that you say 'the scales here appear to have been completely destroyed.' The parasites that I send you would certainly not be the creatures that destroy it, and if there is no living San Jose scale there for the parasites to feed on it is useless for me to send you any. If you wish to obtain specimens of the parasites, the best thing is for you to get some branches containing the scale and put them into a bottle, and stop the bottle loosely with cotton, and wrap all but the top of the bottle with dark paper, so that when the parasites come from scales on the twigs in the bottle they will work up to the neck where there is light, and in attempting to crowd out past the cotton they become entangled and you will see them as small dark specks. It takes a microscope to show that they are winged insects. They look more like little specks of dust.

"If you will send me some cuttings of twigs infested with San Jose scale from your region, I shall be glad to examine them and let you know if the scale is alive, or whether the parasites are present or whether there are other evidences that any other agency has contributed to the destruction of the scale. Please let me know if they were sprayed, when and with what material. Please remember that these parasites are so small that you can barely see them with a good, keen eye and you can not recognize them as winged insects excepting with a microscope or lens. We have reared several thousand of them representing several different species.

"While they have undoubtedly cleaned up the San Jose scale in this vicinity, where I have observed them during the past four years, notwithstanding the statements made by various self appointed critics, yet I must assure you that I do not think it would be best for anyone to depend upon the parasites to clean up the San Jose scale on his trees, unless he knows that the parasites are present in numbers, or that the scale is not present in such numbers as to cause the death of the trees before the end of the next season. It is certain that the San Jose scale is not a pest to be neglected. The different species of parasites which we have bred are not such as will prove injurious by destroying beneficial insects, and there is no question of the beneficial work which they have done over a great portion of this state, yet where the scale is alive and abundant it should certainly be sprayed with the boiled lime-sulfur solution. If any person has any question concerning its presence on their twigs, or concerning the presence of the parasites, the best thing possible to do is to send us by mail cuttings from their trees containing the scale insects.

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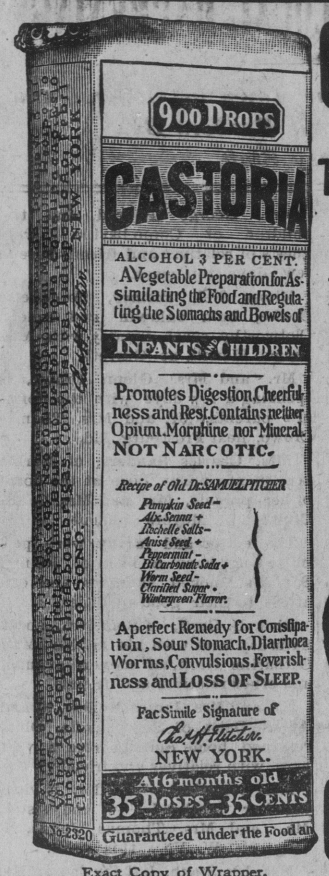

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