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THANKSGIVING HYMN.

Come, ye thankful people, come, Raise the song of Harvest-home All is safely gather'd in, God, our Maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied; Come to God's own temple, come Raise the song of Harvest-home. All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto his praise to yield; Wheat and tares together sown,

Unto joy or sorrow grown First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be

From his field shall in that day All offences purge away; Give his angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast, But the faithful ears to store In his garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come To Thy final Harvest-home: Gather thou thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin; There for ever purified. In thy presence to abide: Come with all thine angels, come, Raise the glorious Harvest-home. -From the Church Hymnal.

KISSES.

To gather all its treasure in an hour, But laughing love forbade the cruel drouth And kisses fathered kisses, as a flower Half thirsty, when the summer shower

Sighs faintly in expanding; so thy lips Grew sighing up to mine. And as the sun With ardent ray the jewelled neetar

sips, so drank I of their beauty till my soul,

The conscience from the hours till all the one long kiss, and the dark, jealou

Prophetic of another day's delight. -Philadelphia Evening Call.

## Our Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving mornings had come-with fresh, frolicking winds and sunlight, cloudless faces and happy hearts.

murky the sunshine lay on the floors husband. that morning, and how I thought the wind wailed about the corners of the children came in from play while I was arms. at work, all flushed and eager, and hapted i: up with all new machinery of the py, jostling and pushing each other good naturedly in the entry.

work in cur line in the very best style. gathered round the table gleefully-

"Why, what's this for?" asked Harry

how dear these little things become to women sometimes.

—I saw as distinctly as I see this paper upon which I write the words—a shadow fall across the empty chair.

The children's merry greetings did not hurt me; my fingers did not tremble when they twined the fresh green

The voice was breathless, but it was I praise thee while my days go on,

"Willie! Willie "

Again the old, rare smile. With one and he motioned silence. His father's voice hushed the amen, and the children looked up and began their

"Did you speak to me Mary?" asked my husband.

"No." "Why, I thought some one spoke during the blessing."

So they did not see him. I alone was chosen. I looked into his face. smiling, smiling down into mine so tenderly-you cannot know how tenderly; but his eyes I saw—and though may heart would break to see it—a certain, sad, reproachful look, that I had caught on his face once, years age, when I accused him of injustice of some trifling, childish fault-a look that had haunted me in many a still hour since. And then I heard him say distinctly, though

voice audible : "I want them to be happy. I want you to enjoy the day. Did you think I should not be with you, mother?"

to not another ear was the breathless

was happy. I talked, I laughed, I chatted with the children; their merriment increased with mine; my husbands pale face lighted up; I felt my own eyes sparkling. And all the while, where they saw only that empty chair, I saw the beautiful, still face and happy smile. I saw him pleased with the old familiar customs. I saw him mindful of the children's jests. 1 saw his eyes full of another and back again to me-I saw was beside me. He followed us into the sitting room and took his old seat by the cozy fire. He listened to his father's stories and watched the children at their games and joined us when we gathered around the piano for our twllight song. I heard his voice; the children asked what made me sing so

clearly. Just as the shades began to fall heavily he drew me toward him by the frost bound window. He stooped and kissed me. He took me in his arms and said, as he had said before :

"Did you think I should not be with

And then I missed him. I called to him, but he did not answer. I stretchcome back to me. The room grew dark; my head swam; I tottered over to my

"Oh, John! I have lost him?" "Mary-why, Mary! what is the house-to me it had no frolic. The matter ?" and he caught me in his

I looked up. I was not in the parlor by the frost bound window; the children were not beside me. The sitting room fire had died down into the ashes; firelight that stream far out of the cheer cinnati, claimed to be the largest organ the door into the hall was open, and my ful chimney into the cold winter night yet built in America, and contains 6,237 husband had on his overcoat. He was holding me tightly in his arms.

then I told him all my dream. When the great giver of harvests; and the and Pittsburg Cathedrals were built by stopping, "Mother, you've got one I had finished he was still a long time, millions of people obeying, sacrifice he the late George Jardine, New York.

you."

When the morning really came, with its fresh, frolicking winds and sunlight, So I had put it there—the empty and blue skies; with its merry faces chair; and with its pittful, appealing blankness beside me, I sat down to the festival meal. I remember just how he said, "Perhaps the boy has been to everything looked, as in a picture-my you.' Sometimes I think he must have been, so real and sweet is, even now, and the children grouped around in the old places; and a fleek of yellow sunlight that had fallen in through the I saw his peaceful face, and felt the warm south window upon the table blessing of his smile, and heard his low, cloth. I remember everything. I know sweet voice. What for months I had that John had just bowed his head to looked upon and feared with the bitterask a blessing on our food, and the ness of a great dread, the face, and children's eyes were closed, when 1 saw smile, and voice made almost painless.

love thee while my days go on; Through dark and dearth, through fire and frost.

With emptied arms and treasure lost, I thank thee while my days go on,

I think that I lid thank him-I who, only last year, had sat there with my boy beside me. I think that when the dear familiar

words flooded the church with harmony again, as on that other morning, and John and I clasped hands silently-1 think we uttered the old, old ery Blessed be the name of the Lord." We stopped after church together where the boy was lying, to let May lay

down here little green wreath, and I was small brown spots extending over nearly gaid that she could do it calmly. Somehow I felt as if tears would be profanabilt and two small horns, which answer tion just then. Then we went quietly for the eyes, are yellow. The tail of It was a happy home that day-as

see him. Yet I knew he was there. "Did you think I should not be with you mother ?"

I heard it over and over; I hear it over and over now; I shall bear it when of the flower is apparently a small ligathe next Thanksgiving sun brightens his grave. He wished us to be happy ; He was with me, thank God, and I I know he was with us. I think he alwas happy. I talked, I laughed, I ways will be. — Elizabeth Staart Phelps. THE ORIGIN OF THANKSGIVING

> A PURELY PURITAN FESTIVAL OF RE-JOICING OVER WORLDLY THINGS.

As if to resist the bitterness and sadand kindly of all our festivals occurs at "Thanksgiving," betrays its pious oriand I was content. All that day he gin-an origin unmixed with any prior tradition. The great Christian festival of Christmas stretches back and to yule logs and mistletoes, to Scandinavian and Briton heathenry, nor does it lose by the graceful, happy association. But Thanksgiving is purely Puritan. It is the good, warm heart conquering the tough head and ascette manner of the

old pilgrims. In Elliott's "New England History" you may read that in 1623, after the harvest, Governor Bradstreet sent out a New York. The organ in Trinity company to shoot game to furnish a Church, New York, built by Henry dainty feast of rejoicing after the labors

Brben comes the nearest to our ideal of
of the colony. Having followed the
any though it was constructed many directions of the governor, and the prin- years ago before the pneumatic action ciple of the excellent Mrs. Glass, they and other mechanical aids were invented. cooked their game and invited Massasoit and some ninety other savages, and Jesuits, Chicago, built by Michael, ed out my arms to him, but he did not all fell to and devoured the feast thank- Montreal, cost forty-thousand dollars. ing God "for the good world and the The instrument in the Cathedial of Sts.

good things in it." clustered on the bitter edge of the continent, with the tuture before them alert's, Philadelphia, by the same builmost as dark as the forest behind them, der, is rich in variety. The following many of them with such long lines of large instruments were built by the happy memories in Old England flashing

Hooks and Hastings, Boston,—Catheacross the sea into the gloom of their dral of the Holy Cross, Boston centerpresent position like gleams of raddy nial Exhibition organ Music Hall, Cinand think of the same festival now, when pipes. The fine instruments in the fifth our Governors and our President invite Avenue Cathedral and St. George's "I thought-oh, John! John!" And millions of people to return thanks to Church of New York, and the Mobile catombs of turkeys and pumpkins and Roosevelt in New York and Philadel-"Mary, perhaps the boy has been to pour out seas of cider and harmless phia has achieved a hight position in the

It might do dangerous to stake one's SOME UNPUBLISHED DRAMAS. reputation upon the assertion that Thanksgiving is a strictly religious feast. It is a day of practical rejoicing in the good things of this world, and boards," as the reporters happily ex-

Dear old Thanksgiving! Long and long may his hospitable board be spread. Long and long may he stand, benignant weary, the blind and the lame, even as

THE HOLY GHOST FLOWER IN BLOOM.

Of the several varieties of hothouse flowers in the park conservatory the Holy Ghost blossom has been attracting the most attention lately. The plant has been blooming during the past week, and many persons have daily admired the singular and devout appearance of the blossoms. The flower is about two inches in diameter, and is cup-shaped. Nestling in the shadow of the curled leaves is a beautiful white dove. The wings are extended toward the outer edge of the leaves, and have a salyx of the dove is fan shaped and has an edg-ing of brown. Looking closely at the happy as it could be when we did not lifelike, waxen bird through a magnifying glass, it seems to be lying in the cup-shaped nest asleep on its back. The body and head are beautifully modeled. The joining of the upper part to the bell ment along the back of the dove, while the wings and tail are not in such distinct relief. The head is entirely separate from the flower proper. The wings are not perfect in shape. They are too round at the end and have a lump on the outer edge which somewhat spoils their symmetry. Attached to the tail by an invisible but active hinge is a curled leaf, which falls downward over the outer leaves of the cup. When the ness of the failing year the most genial flower first opens, this leaf or shroud covers the dove almost entirely. When their own home love, turn from one to the end of November. Its very name, the bloom is complete it falls down, and although the hinge admits of a partial return to the old position the leaf

SOME ORGANS IN AMERICA.

sight .- San Francisco Call.

cannot be made to hile the dove from

The organ in the Boston Music Hall is the largest one in America. It was seven years in course of construction and cost seventy-thousand dollars. It was built by Walker of Germany, except the case which was designed in Peter and Paul, Philadelphia, by Stand-Think of that little shivering band bridge, contains some fine examples of art of organ building.

unde" Joe) Milter and Field are eligi ble for retirement. But will they retire? Montgomery Bird of Philadelphia, who Of the tragedies written by Robert there may even be people whose mouths died in 1854, none but Jack Cade has are fuller of turkey than their hearts of a printed existence. They are among said no for him. So Bulgaria must thanks. But every year the area of the the best contributions to the Drama in look for some other Prince. Prince feast enlarges. Every year there are this country. Edwin Forrest, for whom Nicholas, of Mingrella, and Prince more people who sit down to "groaning they were written, would not consent to Nicholas, of Montenegro, are said to be their publication. The following are willing to try it. press it, upon occasions of civic festiv- the titles, - Calaynos (Jack Cade), the Broker of Boyota, the Gladiator. In leave of his friends in New York it was addition to these Dr. Bird sketched in tears. Perhaps they were produced

at his doo calling in the poor and the ten invest large sums of money in the lightening the world. erection of immense buildings of the the old Puritans called in Massasoit and French flat style, a kind of fashionable ed to be greater than it was last year; nmety other savages. Rich in blessings and reverend in years, may good families. Enough money is often investigation but it has not set in fairly yet, and ings and reverend in years, may good old Thanksgrying last with the continent ted in a single grand building of this continue to the south will be sufficiently south with the continuent to the south will be sufficiently south with the south with the continuent to the south with the south with the continuent to the south with the south with the continuent to the south with the south knitting closer the ties of family and kind to start a town in the more sparse- have a tendency to check it. An amusfriendship; its cheerfulness beaming like ly populated portions of the country, ing incident in this connection is menthe smile of a patriarch; its charity burning like a central fire, warming all the year and lighting up every dark day da or come to the mountains of North being very anxious to experience an The Prohibition yote in Ohio was Carolina and start or help build up new earthquake shock. The party were at over 25,000—a great excess above the towns and reform settlements, or build dinner at their hotel last Friday when estimate before the election. Its vote winter and summer hotels for tourists. the last shake occurred, and although forehead; I spoke to him, he spoke to God's plainest gifts of mind and culture! in New York was also much larger than Towns and hotels with the modern imit only made the glass and crockery rat-But the day was real to him, and I listence that the previous vote. It was not far from the provements are needed in these sections, and ought to prove to be good investments.—Jefferson Appalachian Philospher. it only made the glass and crockery rather the previous vote. It was not far from an ought to prove to be good investments.—Jefferson Appalachian Philospher. it only made the glass and crockery rather than the previous vote. It was not far from the provements are needed in these sections, and ought to prove to be good investments.—Jefferson Appalachian Philospher.

BRIEFS ADRIFT.

An epidemic of dyptheria prevails at Lynchburg, Va.

Earthquakes, severe storms and floods

n Portugal and Italy. The total registered vote of New

York city is about 250,000. Cold weather and snow storms in the orth and west of the country.

There are 434 churches in Philadel phia, 354 in New York, and 240 in

No. 1 wheat sells at 60 cents per bushel at Ellsworth and other Wiscon-

Hunters living near the foot of Iron Mountain, Tenn., are said to have killed

600 squirrels in one week recently. The Chicago stock yards have resum ed work with a force of both new and old employees, at ten hours for a day's

Barnum's show, which has been exnibiting in some of the Southern cities ecently, took in \$14,000 in one day in

It costs \$70 per night to keep the electric lights in the great statue of Liberty at New York going. Consequently Liberty's torchlight is not

The Postmaster General has ordered he discontinuance of ninety-two fourth class postoffices, mainly for the reason that there were no candidates for the postmasterships. In a large number of cases the business of the offices did not justify their continuance.

A Washington dispatch says that Col. Ward Lamon receives a fee of \$250,-000 for his services in the case recently decided by the Supreme Court whereby the Choctaw nation is awarded a judgemnt of over \$2,5000,000. He took the case for the nation on specula-

profitable than clover, what may those farmers think who are paying \$2 to \$3 per ton for manure is a question propounded by Honry Stewart. The yalue as compared with manure render it especially beneficial for farmers who grow grain, and for them the practice of growing it to plough under is most use-

PICKINGS.

From the Wilmington Star. The newspapers should cut Cutting He is "fuss and feathers."

There is an improved condition o affairs in Ireland, so the Liberals ad-

on the Yankee side. It took Demo-Prince Waldeman is the Czar's brother in law, and still the Russian was not

willing for him to rule over Bulgaria.

Alf Taylor, although a boy, fought

A Henry George Club has been formed in Philadelphia. The Labor movement is destined to spread both North and South. After 1st Decomber next Chief Jus-

tice Waite and Justice Bradley ("ali-

Prince Waldemar has a pa and he has

When the sculptor Bartholdi took Metamora which was written by Stone. by the fact an extinguisher has been The capitalists of the large cities of- placed upon the light of "Liberty en-

> Southern travel this season is expectquake disturbances in the South will

Edulation C.

For the Lord our God shall come,

Burst into bloom. And we together stole

The morning came. It came as other and blue skies; with merry voices, with

I remember just how yellow and

Dinner time came at last and they just as gleefully, I thought, with a half bitterness, as if they had all been

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Shingles, Laths, Lime, Cement, Plaster, To lay the plates and set the chairs, and pass that one plate by-that place that strokes till the last one died away.

husband's face, with its peaceful smile,

"Mother !"