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THANKSGIVING.

Once more the days and weeks and months have slipped away with the ever-increasing speed which the added years and duties bring to those who have passed life's morning time, and that most appropriate of feast days for the season and for our land of plenty is again at hand, says Della F. Harmon in the Michigan Farmer.

Subtle suggestions of good things galore are part and parcel of the sound of "Thanksgiving"—set forth each season in solemn proclamation by national and state executives, woven with word of wisdom and reverential reference to the duty of gratitude for befits received. The form is not forgotten by commonwealth or by individual, but it is nevertheless an incontestable fact that in the bustle and bustle of our latter-day American life we are gradually losing our mental and spiritual grip on many customs which to our forefathers represented principles and ideals worthy a truer perpetuation than we are giving them. One does not need to see matters and men from the pessimist's viewpoint to realize that we of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries are becoming less cognizant of the spirit than of the letter of our public observance, both constitutional and ethical. Our attitude is by no means intentionally irreverent or careless, we are simply in too much of a hurry to think.

The headlong speed and high-pressure power of our industrial and social machinery give us no leisure to study cases when we cannot even keep in touch with effects.

Thus, with the same thoughtlessness that is fast allowing our national birthday to degenerate into a national noise-fest with the sole significance of sound without sense, so is our time-hallowed Thanksgiving in danger of becoming a perfunctory observance—or a landmark in the annual edition of football history—instead of what, by all the ideals of traditions and Christianity, it should be to us. We observe it as a holiday, it is a; but how differently in spirit as well as in form, from those of whose piety and principle it was born in days of long ago! Then it was a reverential religious rite; now we too seldom give a thought to its beautiful true meaning.

Not that our own cheerful form of the festival is not preferable to the gloomy solemnity of men who feared far more than they loved the Great Giver, if only we keep in mind the fundamental significance, past and present, of this most important festival, set apart for almost three hundred years as a feast of national gratitude to the God of nations by just one country among all the great nations of the earth—our own dear Columbia.

What a proud distinction for us among so many Christian lands! Let us look to it that we do not allow ourselves, or those who shall come after us, to lose the precious meaning of such an institution. Let us repeat its name over, and ever with the accent on the first syllable as it should be said, "lest we forget."

Making a Newspaper.

"Few people realize what a co-operative institution of the newspaper is in its news department. The newspaper doesn't create the news, it is only a news clearing house, so to speak. The reporter asks day after day: 'What do you know?' 'Tell me something I can print,' and quite too often they do not get an answer that helps very much. The announcement that a train has just run over a horse and driver, supplemented a little later by the further fact that said horse and driver were under one of the many railroad arches where the railroad goes over the streets, may be a good joke, but it doesn't help the reporter very much. Also don't tell the man with the pad and pencil that there is nothing going on but rent, and if you must quote that old saying of Solomon's about there being nothing new under the sun, try to remember that something you know about may be very old, but all the same new and interesting to some other reader. If you won't enjoy your paper there is nothing like taking a hand to help make it interesting.

The best way any local merchant can fight the mail order houses is to advertise. That's the method they use to get the business. Local goods and prices are just as good and in most instances better than those of outside firms, but there is no satisfactory way for people of finding out this unless told about it by a paper which goes to the homes of the community.

We should not despair if the happiness which we seek does not come through precisely the means we anticipated. We must leave fate to attend to the manner of its accomplishment and do what we can—do the duty that lies nearest, however trivial or inconsequential it may seem; and be sure that fate is abundantly able to perform her part of the task.

Now and then a new individual bobs up who claims the distinction of having captured Jeff Davis and is so with the oldest voter. But Oakland appears to have within its borders a resident who can easily claim honors in the voting line. Daniel B. Butler has voted 16 times for president, having given Lewis Cass his first support. When formerly residing at Troy he voted 56 straight years for supervisors from that town. Mr. Butler is 84 years of age and is in very good health, giving every indication of being able to increase his already long record of voting.—Pontiac Post.

An exchange says that we did not send anything to the fire sufferers, but we have made our contribution now, we have sent a dozen hunters up to kill off everything that might have served as food for these poor people through the winter. These people would kill to keep their families from starvation, the hunters kill for sport.—Birmingham Eccentric.

Parents are frequently surprised at the lack of information of their children upon some topic with which the former are perfectly

familiar. It does not always occur to the parents that they may have acquired their knowledge of the subject at an age considerably beyond that of their children, nor that they have had abundant opportunity to impart this information in the fireside conferences which should be a part of the most enjoyable and helpful features of every home. The parents should take a larger part in the education of their children than most of them assume.

A man's home paper is worth more to him than any other because it gives him more facts and local news, besides always working for the interests of the home community. When you subscribe for your home paper and pay for it you increase the paper's ability to work for the development of your own community.

DEFENDS GOV. WARNER

Detroit News Makes Statement Regarding Hemans' Open Letter.

The News in commenting on Candidate Hemans' charge regarding the activity of the liquor interests in the state campaign says:

Lawton T. Hemans is still exhibiting his sore spots as to the result of his defeat for governor. While insisting that the "saloon vote" elected Governor Warner, he submits no proof and utterly fails to mention the fact that circulation of the news that liquor men were going to vote for Mr. Warner naturally alienated the anti-saloon vote as to much larger extent as the anti-sentiment in the country is larger than the saloon influence. That is to say had the saloon men kept their mouths shut, Gov. Warner's vote would have been larger and Mr. Hemans' vote less.

But what could Mr. Hemans' expect of the liquor interests, anyway, after what he said in the constitutional convention concerning "this traffic, which has been a withering blight wherever it has touched civilization?" And he stated his position as being anxious to give the people of Michigan an opportunity to vote for the prohibition of the liquor traffic. Naturally the liquor interests would not support him after such declarations for they are not organized for the purpose of electing their enemies. This declaration added strongly to the strength of Mr. Hemans in the country districts and weakened that of Warner. It must also be kept in mind that it was Bradley, and not Warner, who was the liquor men's candidate in the republican primaries. They did all they could to defeat Warner, and nearly succeeded, with the aid of the saloon influence.

Public Auctions.

L. B. Neuman, living one and one-half miles west of Farmington, Grand River road, will hold a public auction on Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1908, at one o'clock, when a large number of farm tools, stock, etc., will be offered for sale.

Gust Rehn, living two and one-fourth miles east of Base Line and one and one-fourth miles east of Livonia Center, offers for sale on the premises, Tuesday, Dec. 1, all of his farm implements, stock, etc., sale to start at 9 o'clock.

County News

Asher B. P. Parker, aged 92 years, is dead at Farmington. Mr. Parker was an old and respected resident of the county, having lived for 73 years at Royal Oak before moving near Birmingham.

William A. Brush, of Detroit, was fined \$25 and costs at Birmingham on Tuesday for fast auto driving.

Sheriff Greer gave the prisoners at the jail a dinner yesterday that surpassed anything they have enjoyed during the four years he has been in office. An eighteen pound turkey was the principal item on the menu, and real old fashioned plum pudding added a place. There were twelve prisoners to share in the Thanksgiving dinner.

County Treasurer John Power has received an order from the auditor general for amount of

primary money which Oakland county is entitled, but the money is not yet forthcoming. The order is given by the auditor general on the state treasurer for the funds in the primary school allowance. Ordinarily the check for the money would be sent here by the auditor general himself, but this year on account of the lack of finances in the state treasury the money is not forthcoming. Treasurer Power is unable to tell how soon the order on the state treasurer will be cashed.

Church Notes

METHODIST.
Morning service, 10:30 to 11:30. Sunday-school, 11:30 to 12:30. Epworth League, 6 to 7 p. m. Evening service 7 to 8 p. m. Prayer meeting, 7 to 8 p. m. Thursday.

BAPTIST.
Services at the Baptist church as usual: Sunday-school at 1:30 p. m. and preaching services at 2:30 p. m., local time. Prayer service Friday evening at 7:30. All invited. Rev. N. E. Musser, pastor.

The ladies are requested to call at Cook & Co.'s and look over their stock of "American Lady Corsets." See window display this week.

WANT LINERS

RATES—5 cents a line for first insertion 3 cents a line for each subsequent insertion.
For Sale—3 well bred Jersey cows, one and ten pigs. FRED M. WARNER.

For Sale—Thoroughbred Holstein bull, 15 months old, and two good milch cows due in March. O. L. MURRAY, J. G. Walld Lake, R. R. 2. SWI

For Sale—Thoroughbred Minors, pullets and roosters. WILLIAM ANGLIM.

For Sale—Five six thoroughbred Blue Leghorn Roosters for sale. SWSP. D. M. WARD.

Milk Wagon—For sale cheap. T. L. IRVING.

House—Rent—Call on Clyde Adams.

For Sale—Five puppies, bob-tail Collie and Shepherd crosses. Phone, 473 216. W. R. FARRISH, Farmington. 473P

For Sale—Good eating onions. Wm. Anglim, Nichols Corners.

Two heater stoves—Wood and soft coal, Call on Stephen Tredday.

Wood for Sale—Call on C. W. Rodgers, Phone 521L.

House to rent. Call on G. C. NICHOLS.

FOR RENT—House and lot on Shilwaukee street, six dollars a month. Inquire at this office.

\$25.00 Fine for anyone found hunting or carrying firearms on the B. I. Heliker farm. C. L. Heliker.

For Sale—Five Chester White brood sows, due to farrow from September 1 to Sept. 27. \$12.50 for choice. Chas. F. Newell, Walld Lake. Bell phone 10-J.

We have a number of pork barrels for sale. H. A. Schroeder.

Victor Phonograph and 38 records for \$15.00. Inquire of H. W. Lee.

Best Stomach Remedy Free

It is an old saying that if the stomach is sound the whole body is safe, because so much depends upon the proper working of the stomach. Many persons find themselves with a disorder of the stomach which produces dyspepsia or a peculiar state of biliousness.

If you suffer from both stomach trouble and constipation you are on the way to a long and painful life. From such conditions come appendicitis, rheumatism, blood diseases and similar disorders because the waste matter that should have been expelled from the system through the bowels has found its way into the blood and vitiated it. What is needed at this point is not simply a violent cathartic tablet or salt, which usually does more harm than good, but a gentle, laxative tonic like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which people have been using for these ailments for nearly a quarter of a century.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac in said county, on the 10th day of October A. D. 1908.

Present: Hon. Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

It is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

Joshua Hill, H. P. Messenger, President, Vice-President, F. L. Perry, Cashier.

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Farms Wanted

We have customers for over 20 farms containing from 1 to 160 acres with buildings on same. Especially those close to Electric lines don't delay in writing for seeing us.

EYSTER & BRIGGS The Farm Men, Majestic Building, Detroit.

Farmington Postoffice.

MAIL SERVICE.

M. B. Pierce, Postmaster

Mails arrive at 8:05 a. m. and 5:05 p. m. Depart at 7:50 a. m. and 5:15 p. m. Rural Route No. 1—Will Sprague Rural Route No. 2—Clyde Adams Rural Route No. 3—Lynna Sprague Rural carriers leave by the P. O. at 6 a. m. The following letters remain unclaimed for at the Farmington post office. If not claimed before Dec. 1st will be sent to the dead letter office.

Mrs. Nellie Sevey, Chas. Feischel George Hanks, John Lockwright, R. Peters, Wm. Rutenber.

M. B. PIERCE, P. M.

Notice.

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