

EBSIE opened her eyes first on Thanksgiving morn and pulled her sister Sophy's sleeve to waken her.

"Sophy," sh whispered, "is it so very wrong not to feel thankful on a Thanksgiving Day?"

"I suppose so," said Sophy. "Well, I can't be," said Bessie, "cause papa and mamma are away, and they've been away so long, and don't know when they'll come back. And the ocean is so wide, and sometimes there are storms, and if they should get drowned I could never be thankful again."

"I couldn't either," said Sophy.

"Come, come, don't you mean to get up at all this morning?" asked a cheery voice. Aunt Rosy had come into the room and was looking over the beadboard. "Don't you know it Thanksgiving Day?"

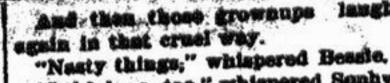
"Yes," said Bessie, "but we're not thankful, 'cause papa and mamma are

away." "My! my! But you'll be glad when they come back," said Aunt Rosy, "But get up now and have your bath and your breakfast, and then I'll tell you something nice-a surprise."

"I wonder what Aunt is going to do?"

THE THE SELVING

Suphy whispered. "Let us make taffy, maybe," said



"I think so, too," whispered Sophy. But here they were at last at grandpa's house, and out came grandps and grandma and Aunt Jennie and Aunt Eliza and Uncle William, Aunt Eliza's

husband, and their boy. "Well, now, darlings," cried grandma, holding out her arms, "how do you

"They are not a bit thankful, ma, said Aunt Rosy. "They won't even

smile." "Because papa and mamma are away," said Uncle Jeff. "I told them all about the turkey and pie, and the candy and magic-lantern in the evening, but they don't chirk up a bit."

"No, indeed," said Bessie, "we don't mean to. It's so dreadful for papa and mamma to be away Thanksgiving Day."

"So it is, darling," said grandma. But she did not look a bit solemn, and grandpa winked at Uncle William, and Aunt Jennie pinched Aunt Eliza, and black Lucinda, the cook, who had come out to say "Howdy," showed all her white teeth, and laughed "ki, yi, yi," and Uncle Jeff roared "ha, ha, ha,

THANKSOIVING AS AN ART.

An Accomplishment in Which Mothers Excelled the Ciris of Today. In an article entitled "An Old-Time Accomplishment," in the Woman's Home Companion, Edward L. Pell says: "The girl who has cultivated the spirit of thankfulness does not gush over at the gift of a daisy, and snap an indifferent 'Thanks!' at the man who has lost a day from the office to gratify her little whim, Of course, those mothers of ours had their whims, and exercised the priceless privileges of thoughtlessness and snapping now and then, as girls, and other than girls, have always done; but I think it cannot be denied that the girl of a generation ago had a conscience on the subject of debts of gratitude such as

few have had since her day. "I have said that I am afraid that with many of us today it is a lost art. I am sure that it is not given that prominence which it once had, and that it is not cultivated with the enthusiasm with which it once was. Girls are taught what etiquette says about it, but etiquette deals only from the lips outward, and the result is that even our language tells the story of the decadence of thanksgiving. A traveler from Mars might hear our 'Thanks!' a million times and never suspect that it was meant as an acknowledgment of a favor. I am sure that up to, say a dozen years ago, in those parts of our country where gallantry has held out longest, one could not give up a seat in a car without being sure of a full return in an acknowledgment that meant to acknowledge something; and



Gen. Miles Urges Enlargement of the Army.

FOR COAST DEFENSE.

Important Recommendations Made by the Head of thur Army to Secretary of War Alger-Seventy Thousand Men in Arms Should He the Limit.

General Nelson A. Miles would ask congress for more than \$15,000,000 for roast defense work next year. He also wants two more regiments of artiliery properly to man the harbor fortifications already constrcted. He urges the addition of at least 10,000 men to the strength of the army, and he would give the president power to increase the standing army to 70,000. He asks for five more regiments of infantry a once, and would then send men to A!

aska to occupy three new forts. These are among the recommendations in the report of General Miles to General Russell A. Alger, secretary of war. The secretary heartily favors the plan to add two regiments to the artiflery service and thinks troops ought to be sent to Alaska to maintain law and order.

IDEAS ON CURRENCY.

Col Treubolm Gives His Views on the

Colonel William L. Trenholm, who was comptroller of the currency under President Cleveland's first administration, has submitted his views of currency reform to the monetary coministhese notes should be issued in de- sum of \$21,666.33 by a Chicago jury. nominations of \$1, \$2 and \$5, in order that the people may have confidence in the money in current circulation. of \$100,000,000 would be sufficient to maintain the parity of the entire votume of about \$450,000,000.

Selweinfurth May More. Well known followers of Schweinfurth and residents of his "heaven" south of Rockford, III., have closed a deal for the purchase of 1,700 acres of choice land adjoining and partly in the village of Portage, Wis. it is removed that Schweinfurth is to ramove his "heaven," or at least establish a branch

grance, a small village cight miles Mills was prominent in the early hissouth of Elyria, Ohlo. The loss tory of Wisconsin, being active in the amounts to \$21,000.

MINERS FATALLY HURT.

Joseph Ladue at His Other, His Appear Twenty-Three injured in an Accident

in Judiana. Twenty-three men were hurt in an accident on the Chicago & Indiana Coal railroad the evening of Nov. 19, rine miles north of Brazil, Ind., near Coal Bluff. It is believed three of them will die. The miners' train on homeward journey, bearing about 500 miners, was wrecked on the Gladstone switch and two cars left the track, rolling down the embankment. The accident was caused by running over a horse.

Indiana Whiteeappers Indicted. The grand jury has returned indictments against nine well-known citizens, brutally whipping Milton Southers, his mother and a young woman on the night of Aug. 17. The men under indictment are William Sexton, Eli Eads, George Hartsock, Oscar Mitchell, John Mitchell, Everett Chambers, Charles Bodkins, Maurice Lucas, Geo. Palmer. All belong in the vicinity of Fairfax, about ten miles southeast of Bloomington, Ind.

Warrant for Willett's Arrest.

A warrant has been issued for the arof R. W. Willett, the fugitive cashler of the three broken banks at English, Marengo and Leavenworth, ind. It is now thought that Willett must have taken a large sum of money with him. President Weathers says the deposits at the time of the failure aggregated \$179,000. Less than \$8,000 in eash was found in the three banks after the departure of the eashier.

Dumages for Heing Blacklisted. Fred R. Ketcham, a conductor who was discharged during the A. R. U. strike by the Chicago & No:thwestern rallway, and who alleged that he was sion. Colonel Trenholm recommends prevented from securing another posithe fusion of the greenbacks and tion by reason of a Macklisting agree-Sherman notes into one form of paper | ment between the defendant and other redeemable in gold. He thinks that railroads, was awarded damages in the

Value Vire at Baltimore, Md.

The five-story building, 317 and 319 He believes that a redemption fund North Howard street, Baltimore, Md., was destroyed by fire Nov. 22, and Mrs. Susan E. Maxon of 1536 Williams street, lost her life. The total damage to the building and contents h estimated at about \$135,000; insurance, \$100,000.

Carllet & prising Rumored.

An unconfirmed report has reached Madrid from Sarag. capital of the province of that name in northeastern Spain, stating that the Carlists have risen in the vicinity of that city.

Prominent Wisconsin Man Boad. Judge J. T. Mills of Manttowood Fire did about \$25,000 damage in La. Wis., died at Degree, Colo., Judge organization of the Republican party.

been compelled to cross the continent four times on business in connection with my company, and now I have to go again. I shall, however, be most of the winter in Chicago, as I propose to take with me on my return to Dawson City everything needed in the way of modern mining machinery, so that commencing next spring, notwithstanding the inexhaustible resources of our mines, not an tota of gold will be lost through lack of proper facilities for mining it. I shall return to Dawson about March 15."

ABOUT THE KLONDIKE KING.

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king and founder of Dawson City, re-

turned to his Chicago office in the

Chamber of Commerce building last

week from the East, he found an im-

mense accumulation of mail awaiting

him. From all parts of the country

came thousands of inquiries of every

sort and nature. The crank who is go-

ing to walk to Alaska would like to

know if the walking is good; the man

with the all-but-finished zirship wants

but a few millions to complete it; a

well-meaning spinster would like sev-

eral thousand dollars, that she may

protect the Chicago youth from the evil

influences of cigarettes, and so on with-

out end, while the man who wants to

be taken to Alaska is so numerous that

he requires the services of two extra

mail carriers. Unlike most million-

aires and busy men of affairs, "Joe"

Ladue, with the hearty good fellowship

which characterizes the Western pion-

eer, insists that each letter so received

shall have a reply, and in most in-

stances the worthy "begging" ones get

"I'm a very busy man these days,"

he said to the newspaper man. "Since

coming back from the Klondike I have

fat enclosures, too.

When Joseph Ladue, the Klandike

"No," he continued," the wealth of the Klondike has in no way been

exaggerated." In personal appearance the Klondika king is a rugged, well-proportioned man of medium height, with hair and mustache of almost raven black. He has a mild, conservative method of speech, but when interested, his honest, gray eyes snap of the fire and determination which marks the successful pioneer. He is temperate in his statements and every word he utters concerning the new Eldorado he has given to the world carries with it a conviction of truth.

A Wonderful Talking Doll.

Of all the splendid gifts which President Faure conveyed to Peterhof on his recent visit to Russia, none can have been more thankfully received. than "the three gorgeous dolls, which he bestowed upon little Grand Duchess Olga. The morecco portmanteau containing the trio was decorated with the arms and initials of her imperial highness, and, on opening the cover, a fairhaired dolly became disclosed to the eager eyes of its baby mother, dressed in blue surrah and valenciennes. The grand duchess was now advised to press a spring in the region of her daughter's chest, and imagine her surprise when the waxen lips opened and a tiny voice was heard saying in very good French: "Bonjour, ma chere, petite maman! As-tu hien dormi cette puit? Moi j'ai fait un beau reve. J'ai reve que l'on m'avait apporte un tres joli bebe qui parle, rit et chante aussi blen que moi," which, translated into English, means: "Good morning, dear little mother! Did you sleep well last night? I had a beautiful dream. I dreamed that I had given to me a pretty baby that speaks, laughs and sings as well as I do."

After a moment's pause this wondrous doll commenced to sing several songs, of which "Ah! mon bean chateau!" and "Malbrough s'en va-t-en guerre" was the first. And before the grand duchess could get over her surprise, Dollikin put her hands behind her, and recited a long monologue. More spiendors were, however, to follow. Another doll, superbly attired with a troussean, which included an ermine mantle fastened with emerald clasps; and yet a third, owning to four costumes of the provinces of France, Norman, Breton, Bearnaise and Arlesienne, each doll accompanied by the authentic jewels belonging to her costume. The talking doll is the wonge of the hour at Peterhof.

THINGS WE OUGHT TO KNOW.

Fountainebleau's great grapevine produced 7,672 pounds of grapes this year, which when recently sold at anction, brought in \$715.

Irish donkeys are being sent out in large numbers to South Africa. Five thousand pounds have already been spent in three countles alone. The province of Parana, in Brazil,

which is about the size of Austria-Hungary, has only 200,000 inhabitants, one-third of whom are foreigners.

how drespes for our dolls."

mek. Well, of course I am at home, at like that, but it len't bome without mamma and

They went down stairs with long love any of them." and baked apples.

"Well, now, how solemn you look!" sald Aunt Rony, "Thanksgiving Day. when you ought to be thinking of all your blessings; and you don't even ask me what the surprise is. We're going "Don't tease them any more!" and some to grandma's to spend the day; there,

"But papa and mamma won't be there," said Bessie,

said Sophy, sobbing. Really, it was dreadful for Aunt Rosy

"I don't believe she loves us one bit," said Sophy, in a whisper.

"I don't, either; she's dreadful," said And all through the journey to

grandpa's house not a smile did they give. And when the train reached grandpa's place, and Unele Jeff came in the wagon to meet them, and said,



WHALL NOW, DARLINGS." hickens! How are you?" they wered together:

We know it's wicked, but we can't to H. Though it is Thanksgiving Day to can't be thankful, for we don't know that we'll ever see pape and mamma

Then Aunt Rosy looked at Uncle Jeff. d both laughed ha! ha! ha! and ho!

rentures!" said Bessie and grandens won't laugh at

is Jeff, "I hat you'll be

Breste. "That is fun, or maybe she has | and all the nunts laughed "tee, tee, | that today the average man is utterly

pered to each other. "And we won't task of restoring men to the old paths,

much appetitu for their nice milk-toast say on Thanksgiving Day! And then, charming of girls may cultivate with all of a sudden, some one back in the good results. I am not grumbling. I hall began to laugh also,

"Company laughing at us, too," sobbed Bessie. "We want to go home." Then the unseen person cried out: one came running and took them both in her arms. Some one, indeed? It was their own mamma, and behind her

came their papa; and it was so won-"And we can't be happy even there," | derful they could not believe it, "My darlings, no one was laughing at you," said mamma, "Every one to laugh at them just then, but she knew we were here but you. I asked them not to tell you in order to give you a happy surprise; and when you said you did not know when you would see us, how could they help laughing when they knew you would eat dinner

with us at grandpa's house?" "Then they did love us all the time? "That was the reason they laughed," said Sophy, "because it was going to be

our very thankfulest Thanksgiving af-And then every one laughed again,

and Bessie and Sophy laughed with them this time. A Thanksgiving Proclamation,

now all men by these presents that We turkeys do protest igainst an annual outrage which Brings sorrow to the nest.

We think it most becoming for A nation to give thanks, But we object in firm tones when

It cuts into our ranks. Think of the widowed ones, and think Of orphans in the flock, Who must this year with sadness view

The cruel chopping block. So now, good people, we request, Our pleadings may be heard, And if you must give thanks and

feast Please kill some other bird. -George V. Hobart.

A Reform in Siberia. Up to the present year the great province of Siberia, covering an area considerably larger than all Europe, has been without organized courts, the whole country having been subject to the arbitrary administration of officials appointed by the tear. On the first of August a modern and uniform system of public justice was instituted, and law courts were spened in each of the notal capitals, with a court of

bee," and grandpa gave a great "ho, ho, upset and undone when his ears catch ,"I don't care for taffy, or dolls or ho," and the poor children felt as if the old sweet sound. Of course, this anything," said Sophy. "I'm home- their hearts would break to be laughed does not justify nor account for the "None of them love us," they whis- but I am not engaged in the hopeless but in the hopeful one of pointing out Oh, what a dreadful thing to feel and a neglected talent which the most do not mea. to say that the girl of the period is one whit behind the girl of the past. I do not believe in the decadence of women. I believe that the girl of today is equal to the girl her mother used to be; but I do not believe that it is enough to say of our girls that they are equal to the girls of the past, any more than it is enough to say of a flower that has had the best attention of the best florists for a generation, that it is as beautiful today as it was thirty mars ago. . . . If we have done wisely, the girl of today ought to have not only something which her mother lacked, but she ought to have all her mother's graces as well. But it is a serious question whether, in pressing her development, we have not cultivated some qualities at the expense of others, just as in pressing the development of a certain flower we have increased its size and beauty at the expense of its fragrance."

Gobbler-"Oh, you feel very tickled ever Thanksgiving coming, don't you?" Boy-"Yes, and when it gets here you'll feel very much cut up over it."

Good Advice Made a President. . The following advice was imparted to John Quincy Adams, by his mother, in 1778, in a letter to him while he was in Europe: "Great learning and superior abilities, should you ever possess them, will be of little value and small estimation, unless virtue, honor, integrity and truth are cherished by you. Adhers to the rules and principles early instilled into your mind, and remember that you are responsible to your God. Dear as you are to me, I would much rather prefer that you would find a grave in the ocean which you have crossed, than to

Earl Cadogen, ford lieutenant of Ireland, has been elected president of the National Union of Conservative Associations, in succession to the Earl of Derby. There was a large attendance of delegates from the different associations of conservatives at the convention, which was held in St. James' hall, London. The meeting unantmously adopted a resolution in favor of the establishment of a royal residence in Ireland and its occasional occupation of the queen or a member of the royal family, "as this would tend to increase the sentiments of loyalty to the crown and attachment to constitutional government."

For Confition Against America-Italian newspapers approve the plan of Count Goluchouski, the statesman, for forming a propean commercial league against the United States. It is said Germany, Italy, Russia, Switzerland and Sweden have already accepted the project.

tien. Albert Ordway Dead. General Albert Ordway of Washington died at New York Nov. 21. Death was due to jaundice and pleurlay, superinduced by a severe cold.

Close of Baptist Congress. The Baptist congress closed its deliberations at Chicago Nov. 18. In his valedictory Dr. Kendrick insisted that although the congress was a representative body, the Baptist denomination was not responsible for the utterances of its appointed speakers and writers.

No Sale of Bonds Likely. Rumors of an impending bond sale are authoritatively denied by men prominence at Washington.

PRESIDENT OF THE "TORY" NATIONAL UNION.

1887, and in 1889 he was appointed chairman of grand committees.

Earl Cadogan is the eldest son of

the fourth earl of the title of Cadogan,

He is just 57 years old and came into

his title when he was 33. Since 1875

the earl has taken a prominent part

in English politics. In that year he

was nominated parliamentary under

secretary for war and three years later

he became under secretary of state for

the colonies. He went out of office

with the conservatives in 1888. In Lord

Safisbury's second administration in

1886 the earl was appointed lord privy

seal without a seat in the cabinet, but

he became a member of the cabinet in