

Grand's Ointment. Oh, mothers in homes that are happy. And Thanksgiving laden with cheer. Where the children are dreaming already Of the merriest day in the year.

NATHAN MARTIN'S THANKSGIVING

"Fire—Fan—faster!" These were words of Nathan Martin to his horse, Fan. He was urging her forward over the freshly fallen November snow. In contrast with the whiteness of the snow was the road.

beside the channel along which sped the water to the sea. If Kitty had thrown her matches a foot farther away they would have fallen where she expected them to fall—into a batch of cold, smothering sea water.

Kitty, though, was not thinking of anything under the mill floor, but of that nook up stairs that Nathan laughingly had told her would be his office.

"I am very sorry to be the bearer of bad news," out into the most lively and fatal activity. And to think that the widow Gregory, up to the middle of the forenoon, had not seen that fire from her window by the cooking table!

I thought it might please Nathan, and I took up a pie to the mill that he might have a pleasant surprise finding it. Now, this will prove it. What is that letter on the pier?"

"No," said Kitty, "it is K. You know what K stands for, I hope? K is for Kitty, and it was dreadfully silly in me," said the girl, whose sorrowful eyes were like violets in the dew.

"I have called for you and Kitty," said Nathan. "If you say so, we'll all go to meeting. I have been thinking it over, and I feel that there is much left."

"I'll put the pie on the chair." A look out on that floor; it had never been seen. Kitty Gregory, stole through that unfastened door. In one hand was a very palatable mince pie, washed with cranberry sauce. She reached her matches and lighted the stove.

"I am very sorry, Mrs. Gregory and Kitty, to be the bearer of bad news. I'd have given anything if I could have helped it, but I did not know anything about it till a boy came and told me your mill was afire. I found, near the door, the fragment of a chair that stood in which I called my 'office.' I think a tramp got in there, stayed all night and started a fire. Here, I think, is a part of what he had for breakfast. Mrs. Gregory, I am very sorry. I don't suppose you will feel like going to Thanksgiving tomorrow morning, I don't."

"You know I am your friend, and you have my blessing." spoken admission that he was the exceptional miller. "Where are those young people?" wondered the Widow Gregory. She went to different rooms. A knock at the fore room door was successful. "Come right in," said Nathan. "We want your blessing, mother."

VASILINE. Everybody knows the great value of this remedy in the household, but everybody does not know that the imitations of it, which some second class druggists dishonorably palm off on their customers, have little or no value.

Peculiar Russian Regiments. There are some queer regiments in the Russian army. One regiment is composed entirely of blonds, the chasseur guards are all brunettes, and no man is enlisted in the Parlov guards unless he wears a retousse mustache.

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LAST GUESS THE RIGHT ONE. Dearest Friend Had to be Coached to Name the Giver. Her dearest friend had dropped in for a call, and she straightway put out a five-pound box of expensive candy.

"No," said the friend, "I have been squandering money like that!" "I didn't squander it," was the reply. "It was a present to me."

"A present," repeated the friend, "Let's see! Who's been here lately? Any of your girlhood friends?"

"No." "Sometimes a family friend, passing through—" "Not the case this time."

PLANS TO MERGE UNIONS OF WORLD

Fraternal Delegate Urges an International Alliance of Labor.

WOMAN SCORES CAPITALISTS Representative of the Church Association for the Advancement of Labor Declares That the Money Interest is an Unnatural Child.

Boston dispatch: Delegates to the American Federation of Labor evinced the greatest enthusiasm when the plan for an international labor federation was laid before the gathering. The proposition for an international alliance was made by James O'Grady, fraternal delegate from the cabinet-makers and upholsterers of Great Britain.

President Gompers caused some excitement when he announced that some one had stolen his overcoat. He did not care for the loss of the garment, but with it were taken some documents "which," he said, "might mean much to a poor fellow whom we have declared guiltless of wrong, but who, if these documents got into wrong hands, may be imprisoned."

There was a fierce debate regarding the seating of the Bakers and Confectioners' International Union delegates, who were excluded by the convention when it adopted the report of the credentials committee. The trouble was precipitated by the receipt of a telegram from the Journeymen Bakers' Union of Cleveland, denouncing the seating of the delegates, John Guild, Matthew Steels and Emil Shaerer.

Fraternal Delegates Speak. The three fraternal delegates, William Mullen of the British Textile Workers, James O'Grady of the British Trades Congress and James Simpson were presented and they made interesting addresses. Mr. O'Grady advocated the adoption of political action by the unions.

"We have taken a leaf out of the book of the glorious Irish parliamentary party," he said, "and by the force of united political action we hope to gain substantial advantages."

Capital Fights Its Mother. Miss Harriette Keyser, representing the church association for the advancement of the interests of labor, read the principles of the organization, declaring that the association had sixty bishops affiliated with it, and had been the friend of labor when it was "the under dog." Capital to-day is fighting its own mother, labor, she said.

FIND REMAINS ON THE HIGHWAY Fatal Wound of Federal Official is Probably Due to Suicide. The remains of United States Commissioner Perry L. Claxton were found three miles east of this city with a pistol shot through the lower part of the body. The remains lay in the highway, a short distance from the Illinois Central railroad. They were taken in charge by a train crew and brought to Carterville. His death is supposed to be self-inflicted, but it may prove a case of foul play. He leaves a wife and one child.

LATEST CASH MARKET REPORT. WHEAT. Chicago—No. 2 red, 80 1/2c. New York—No. 2 red, 84 1/2c. St. Louis—No. 2 red, 84 1/2c. Milwaukee—No. 2 hard, 78 1/2c. Kansas City—No. 1 northern, 81 1/2c. Minneapolis—No. 1 northern, 79c. Duluth—No. 1 northern, 78c. CORN. Chicago—No. 2, 63 1/2c. New York—No. 2, 64c. St. Louis—No. 2, 64c. Kansas City—No. 2 mixed, 61c. Peoria—No. 2, 63c. OATS. Chicago—Standard, 32c. New York—No. 2, 40c. St. Louis—No. 2, 38c. Kansas City—No. 2 white, 39 1/2c. CATTLE. Chicago—\$1.70 1/2. St. Louis—\$2.00 1/2. Kansas City—\$2.00 1/2. Omaha—\$1.90 1/2. HOGS. Chicago—\$4.00 1/2. St. Louis—\$4.00 1/2. Kansas City—\$4.00 1/2. Omaha—\$4.00 1/2. SHEEP AND LAMBS. Chicago—\$2.00 1/2. Kansas City—\$2.00 1/2. St. Louis—\$2.00 1/2. Omaha—\$2.00 1/2.

HAPPY WOMEN.

Mrs. Parr, wife of C. B. Parr, a prominent resident of Glasgow, Ky., says: "I was suffering from a complication of kidney troubles. Besides, I had back a great deal of trouble with the secretions, which were exceedingly variable, sometimes excessive and at other times scanty. The color was high, and passages were accompanied with a scalding sensation. Doan's Kidney Pills soon regulated the kidney secretions, making their color normal and banished the inflammation which caused the scalding sensation. I can rest well, my back is strong and sound and I feel much better in every way."

Reversible Skirt. An English tailor has invented a reversible skirt for women who travel much and desire to carry as little baggage as possible. The English, who, as a rule, are not particularly good dressers, have some very excellent ideas for traveling gowns. The reversible skirt is made of material plain on one side and checked on the other. It answers the purpose of two skirts, as it can be worn with either surface uppermost. Another English skirt intended for mountain wear has buttons and an arrangement for turning up the hem while climbing.

The California Limited. This train on the Santa Fe road is limited in number to seven cars—Observation Pullman, two Drawing-room Pullmans, Compartment Pullman, Through Dining Car, Buffet-Smoking Car and Mail Car. It makes the trip from Chicago to Los Angeles or San Francisco in three days, passing through New Mexico and Arizona—a pleasant route both summer and winter. The Santa Fe publishes a booklet which concisely and fully describes "The California Limited." Address Geo. T. Nicholson, P. T. M. A. T. & S. F. Ry., Chicago.

Less Than 12 Hours to Hot Springs, Ark., Via Iron Mountain Route. The new train which was inaugurated November 8th, leaving St. Louis 8:20 p. m., and arriving Hot Springs 8 a. m., makes the run in less than twelve hours, which beats all previous records between these points. Returning train leaves Hot Springs 7:30 p. m., arriving St. Louis 7:35 a. m. Thoroughly up to date equipment. For tickets and further information write any agent of the Iron Mountain Route, or H. C. Townsend, general passenger and ticket agent, St. Louis.

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