

PLUCK

Don't doubt yourself!
Do not think there is much of honesty
and strength
Enough within you for the journey's
length.

THE TRANSFORMATION OF YUSEF

Yusef was a Syrian, who had made
his way to a New England factory
town. Little went hard with him. He
was sick, discouraged, and resentful.

Disappointed as was the minister,
the minister recognized it as a former
possession of his own, and for a moment
had much to do to restrain his
mirth as he saw himself translated
into Syrian in the person of Yusef.

After the service Yusef was making
for the door. He was not walking; he
slunk. There is a stage of human
humiliation in which men do not lift
their feet with confidence and set them
down with decision.

Yusef began to prosper. He was
strong and intelligent, and he advanced
in his position. And with each
improvement in his appearance—the
blackening of his shoes, the better fit
of his clothes, his more fluent command
of English—he moved a little
farther out from under the gallery, till
at last he established himself in a
modest seat on the side, half-way
down.

One day he came to the parsonage
and stripped himself of coat, vest,
shirt and from moment to moment
bills and gold to the amount of five
hundred and twenty-five dollars. And
all of this, in one lump sum, he sent
to Nazareth.

HOW TO CHOOSE A WIFE
Young man, you will get married
some day, or else you are not like
other mortals who see. Let me give you
some good advice, amounting
almost to wisdom. If you are not
already dead stuck or are going to be
slipping up her best qualities, you manage
to go with her to millinery—or
dry good store. Notice whether she
is one of the kind that gets her hair
talls all jumbled up while making a
selection of goods. If she does not,
but can tell in a jiffy just what she
wants, and promptly selects it, and
tells the salesman to wrap it up while
she hurries off to make other pur-

THE COW
"The Cow is a female quadruped
with an oval voice and a countenance
in which there is no guile." is the defini-
tion supplied by the Encyclopaedia.
"Who collaborates with the pump in
the production of a liquid called milk,
proves the filter for the hash, and
is skinned by those she has benefited,
as morally commonly are. The young
cow is called the calf, and is used in
the manufacture of chicken salad. The
cow's tail is mounted art, and has a
universal joint. The tassel on the end
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The Free Press Short Story

Elder Witham's Big Squash

BY C. A. SHEPHERS

It was Monday afternoon of the
county fair week, and we were
very busy getting our farm ex-
hibits ready to send to the fair
the next morning.

Among other things to be done that
afternoon, Addison and I had to go to
the mill three miles from the farm
with a crate of corn for the herd, pigs,
cocks and poultry during the fair.

We found six or eight grists ahead
of us at the mill, however, and the
miller told us that he could not get
ours out for us before nine o'clock
that evening. So the hour we we
concluded to drive home and come
back for it later.

On the way we overtook Alfred
Batchelder and Newman Darnley, two
young neighbors of our own age,
with whom we were not on the best of
terms. They had been fishing for
pickers-over in the mill-pond, and
had a string of fish which they were
carrying in the car.

"In it best to take them in?" Ad-
dition asked me, as we came up
unwinded and unshaken by their
poor quarters, his eyes sunken and his
clothes in rags.

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piece off the knife-blade, which they
could not find in the dark.
Altogether, it was an adventurous bit
of mischief, and from the first we had
no doubt whatever, as to who had done it.
With these bits of vital and the knife-
blades, we have set our wits to work
to show ourselves too much in
public. Addison and I remained at
home and dug potatoes, while Ellen
proceeded to make certain innocent-
seeming inquiries among our neigh-
bors.

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little belladonna at every house, but
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store a year before, but she told Ellen
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TURKISH POLICE JUSTICE

A trifling dispute between a Kurd
and an Armenian on a street in Con-
stantinople the other day, says the
Chicago Record, led to an amazing
instance of justice as it dispensed by
the Turkish police.

A tobacco-box was found on the
sidewalk, as alleged, by a Kurd, an
Armenian claimed the box as his own.
Neither would give in, and the dis-
pute waxed warm. From words they
severe coming to blows when a police-
man came up; but he could not de-
cide the question of ownership.

At last the Armenian suggested that
the policeman ask what was in the
box. "Tobacco and cigarette paper,"
said the Kurd, promptly.

The officer opened the box, and find-
ing the Armenian was right, settled
the dispute by giving him the box.

The Armenian is the owner of the
box," he said. "The Kurd is a liar."
Here he smote the Kurd over the head.
"Aliah be praised! For my trouble in
deciding this complicated affair, I will
keep the twenty-five cents."

ONE THE SPOT
A city publisher directed one of his
clerks to hang out a sign, "Boy want-
ed." Five minutes later, says a writer
in the New York Sun, a red-headed
little "lad" appeared in the office with
the sign under his arm.

"Say, mister," he demanded, "did
you hang out this sign?"
"I did," replied the publisher, sternly
why did you tear it down?"
"Back of his forehead the boy gazed
in wonder at the man's stupidity."
"Why," he replied, "I'm de boy."

ENLIGHTENING THE URBANITE
City Boarder—"I suppose you hatch
all these chickens yourself?"
Farmer—"No. We keep hens for
that purpose."

KEATING'S KILLS
RUGS
FLIES
BEETLES
SPRINKLE IN CHICKEN HOUSES AND ON CHICKENS
AND FOWLS TO KILL LICE

How the Alleast Moisture System saves money

Tests have proved important
savings in fuel where the warm
air from the furnace is properly
moistened—the saving has reached
upwards of 20 per cent.

The Hygienic Vapor Pan in the
Alleast is designed to supply the
correct amount of natural mois-
ture required for health and com-
fort — atmosphere that protects
the family from winter ills.

Other exclusive, fuel saving
features of the Alleast are
the free-draught Shell-bar
Grates which insure perfect
combustion, and the fuel-
saving air-blast which
burns the smoke and gases.

The All-cast is easily oper-
ated. It burns soft coal and
all other fuels equally well.
It is reasonably priced.
Come in and let us show
you its many important fea-
tures or write for complete
details.

There is a size-and type of
Happy Thought Furnace
for every kind of home.

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MADE AT BRANTFORD-CANADA BY
HAPPY THOUGHT
FOUNDRY COMPANY LIMITED
RANGES-FURNACES

Free Press Job Printing is
Always Neatly Done

Win This \$475 Piano FREE

This Announcement
May Not Appear Again
Send Your Answer
To-Day
Find The Missing Numbers

IT'S simple. Just a few minutes' work and your answer may be the one
that wins a \$475.00 piano, a radio or phonograph without cost of any
kind.

To win a prize there is nothing to buy or sell. This is an advertising
campaign conducted by a piano, a radio and a phonograph manufacturer to
overcome the usual, last-minute, Christmas shopping rush.

Now!—today—is the best time to win one of the musical instruments,
and the big prizes are absolutely free.

All you have to do is to find the missing numbers. Prizes are awarded
to the best, nearest, most original, correct answers.

Send your solution of the puzzle today. Don't delay, for in case
of a tie the first answer received wins the prize.

This Contest Closes Sept. 30th
Don't Wait! Try For a Prize Today.

Rules of the Contest
Only one member of a family should enter.

Employees of newspapers carrying this advertisement should not enter.

Should the contestant selected by the judges for first prize already own a
piano, the prize will be given to the next best.

All solutions are and shall remain the property of the Canadian Selling
Agents.

Contestants agree to abide by the decision of the judges, from which there
shall be no appeal.

Every Correct Answer Receives a Reward

1st Prize \$475 Piano
A handsome new in-
strument of beau-
tiful tone in walnut
finish.

2nd Prize \$275 Radio
A complete Radio
cabinet, including Bat-
teries, loud speaker
and cabinet.

3rd Prize \$150 Phonograph
Beautiful Phono-
graph equipped to
play all records.
Mahogany finish.

Additional Prizes
Purchasing Credit
Vouchers valued at
from \$100.00 to
\$200.00 will also be
given away.

Prizes are Awarded to the
Best, Neatest, Most Original
Correct Answers

Things to Remember
Answers may be submitted on this or a separate
sheet of paper, or any other material. There
is no limit to the size of the solution.

Instructions
Write your name and address plainly and care-
fully, with your solution to the puzzle. To the
best, nearest, most original, correct answer will
be given, absolutely without cost, a beautiful
\$475.00 Piano. For the next best, nearest, most
original, correct answer a \$275.00 Radio Set will
be given. To the next best will be given a
\$150.00 Phonograph. Additional prizes—pur-
chasing vouchers valued at from \$100.00 to
\$200.00 will also be given.

Send your answer to
CANADIAN SELLING AGENTS
32 Water Street South Galt, Ontario

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Lucky Horsehoe Puzzle—
1st Prize—Aldric Lavin, Point St. Charles, Que.
2nd Prize—W. Helms, 87 Home St. Sturford, Ont.
3rd Prize—J. H. Robinson, 321 St. James St., Toronto, Ont.

Count The \$5 Dollar Mark—
1st Prize—J. H. Robinson, 321 St. James St., Toronto, Ont.
2nd Prize—Mrs. E. Phillips, 115 Marchmont Rd., Toronto, Ont.
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Winners of the "Missing Numbers" Puzzle will be announced in the next contest
advertisement. Watch for it!

