POOR WITNESS FOR FRIEND

Deacon's Brief Emphatic Testimony Probably Somewhat Impressed the Jury.

Deacon Stephen Potter, one of the ploneers of Uties, N. Y., was a man of great eccentricity but high moral character. The deacon will speak the truth and shame the devil," was often said of him.

On one occasion a friend was engaged in a lawsuit in regard to some hand a few miles from Utica. He held the land at a high price. During the trial he called Deacon Potter as a witness, to prove how valuable the land was. The deacon was sworn and asked if he knew the land.

"Yes," he replied, "I know every foot of it."

"What do you think it is worth, Mr. Potter?" was the next question.

The old man paused a moment and then said, slowly: "If I had as many dollars-as my yoke of oxen-could draw-on a sled-on glazed ice-I vow-1 would not give-a dollar an acre for it!"-Youth's Companion.

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Novel Thanksgiving (1)
Idea Suggested
By The Bird
Experts HE newest idea, appropriate to Thanksgiving, is that wild turkeys should be farmed-that is to say, hied regularly under conditions of semidomestication. Ornithological experts say that it is entirely feasible, and in the adoption of

such a plan lies the hope

for the preservation of

our greatest game bird from final ex-

The wild turkey, of course, is a

species entirely distinct from the

tame bird with the white-meated

breast. One reason why its preser-

vation is important is that it is

needed to contribute from time to

time its hardy blood and much-prized

game flavor to the domesticated va-

ricty by interbreeding. The compar-

atively dark meat of the breast of

many of the tame turkeys that come

to market nowadays at the Thanks-

giving season is attributable to such

matings, which are cageriy sought

by the knowing producer of teath-

The wild turkey is so notoriously

shy that most people would be in-

clined to suppose it incapable of do-

mestication. Such an inference, how-

ever, according to the expert, is a

mistaken one. As a matter of fact,

the bird is not by nature much airaid

of man, but rather tame and soct

able, so far as human beings are con-

cerned. In Massachusetts during

early colonial days there were great

numbers of wild turkeys, and fre-

quently they made themselves at

home in the close neighborhood of

To day the species is entirely ex-

finct in New England, and in other

parts of the country the lowl is ex-

tremely wild and hard to shoot-not, however, because of a natural shy-

ness of disposition, but simply for

the reason that it has been hunted

and trapped so persistently. If wild

turkeys were bred and reared on farms-a mat-

ter of no great difficulty to accomplish, say the

experts-they would be docile enough, and, with

The fact that wild turkeys have maintained

hair faothold to some extent in long settled parts

of their old territory-as, for example, in Vir-

ginia and Maryland-appears to indicate that it

would be entirely practicable to restock portions

of their former ranges. But, inasmuch as the

country anciently occupied by them is now for

the most part populated by human beings, it is

necessary, in order to accomplish the object sug-

gested, that their multiplication shall be encour-

aged under conditions of at least partial domes-

tication-that is to say, by farming the birds for

It is believed that, if proper totection were

given to such enterprises by the law, sporting

club and wealthy individuals owning or leasing

large tracts would gladly go into the business of

breeding wild turkeys-not for market of course,

but for the pleasure derivable from such an enter-

prise. At the present time not a few such organi-

zations and proprietors of great private estates

maintain similar preserves for the quail or "bob-

white," holding field tria in competition, to test

the ability of dogs to find and point the birds.

These field trials are in reality dog races, and no

Where wild turkeys are concerned, however,

there is no reason why such extensive preserves,

covering in some instances many thousands of

acres, should not afford admirable sport under

suitable restrictions. There is no form of outdoor

amusement more delightful than turkey hunting.

But, if farmers could be persuaded to take up the

idea, and to breed the birds, they might sell shoot-

ing privileges to sportsmen at a rate which would

put much more money into their pockets than

they could gain by sending the fowls to market

If the business were suitably managed tarms of

500 to 1,000 acres would yield a larger revenue

from wild turkeys than from poultry, sportsmen

being usually willing to pay several times more

for the fon of shooting birds than the latter would

fetch as marketable game. For such purposes, of

course, it would be neither nece any nor desir-

able that the fowls should be too tame. On the

other hand, experience has shown that wild tur-

keys are not disposed to go tar away from an ac-

The wild turkey is prolific, and takes kindly to

civilization. Like its tame congener, it is a great

consumer of injurious insects, particularly grass-

hoppers, and as such would be useful to the farm-

er The female lays from 15 to 20 eggs for a

"clutch," but raises only one brood in a year.

Foxes, hawks and owls are deadly enemies, but it

would be the business of the farmer to protect

the birds from these foes, as he does in the case

of his farm-yard poultry. As for human poach-

ers, adequate laws for protection against them

would have to be passed; but the sportsmen, if

once they became interested in the matter, could

be relied upon to exert in this direction a power-

ful influence, which has never yet failed of suc-

It seems difficult to realize that less than 100

years ago wild turkeys were so abundant that

they often sold for six cents apiece, a very large

one, weighing 25 or 39 pounds, occasionally fetch-

ing as much as 25 cents. To-day a large speci-

men, gobbler preferred, is worth \$5. The species

has been wiped out, not by sportsmen, but by pot-

hanters, who kill the birds on the roosts, trap

them in pens, or lie in ambush for them, attract-

ing them within easy shooting distance by imita-

customed source of food supply.

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preper protection, would multiply rapidly.

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tinction.

ored stock.



BACK FROM THE HUNT

the rearing of turkeys under semi-domesticationthough in this case the species dealt with is the tame one. On this island, which is the most successful turkey farm in the world, the birds are permitted to run wild, and are not even furnished with any shelter, other than they can find among the trees and scrub. But plenty of corn is thrown about where they can get it.

In this artificial wilderness, as it might be called, which covers an area of about 4,000 acres, the turkeys get as close to nature as possible. Indeed, the whole idea of their management is to let them alone, interfering with them as little as possible. In the winter time their heads often freeze under their wings when they are at roost. But the exposure does them no harm; on the contrary, it renders them exceedingly vigorous, and they attain huge size, the gobblers sometimes weighing as much as 50 pounds when sent to

Every spring a few wild gobblers, trapped for the purpose in Virginia or the Carolinas, are introduced into the flocks on Fisher's island, to contribute fresh blood. This is esteemed a matter of the utmost importance. Our tame turkeys are notoriously difficult birds to rear, under ordinary circumstances, being delicate and liable to epidemics-on which account many farmers have given up trying to raise them. The reason why is simply that there has been too much in-breeding, and the stock has lost its hardiness.

A number of varieties of the tame turkey have been developed by breeding, the principal ones being the Bronze, the Buff, the State, and the White, the Black and the Narragansett. The White was originally an albino. But all of these are derived from a single species, which is of Mexican origin. There is only one other known species, which is native to Yucatan and Guatemala. It is called the "ceellated turkey," owing to the fact that its tail is ornamented with eyes like that of the peacock. It is one of the most beautiful of birds, its feathers blazing with metallic reflections of gold, green, blue and bronze.

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Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ - Ephesians v:20.

The thankful spirit is the true and sure source of a happy life. There are plenty of things to be thankful for, and it is wise to make an effort to find them. They are never far away. They are under our control. We are their masters. God made us that way. We may be in touch with very disagreeable people, but if we do not like disagreeable feelings we need not have them. There are many good things to think of with reference to such people. Be a missionary to them. Think how nice it would be if such a person had a sweet

disposition and let your own radiate its virtues. We can rejoice and be glad no matter where we are. Paul and Silas sang hymns while in jail Why not? It was bad enough to be in jail. God was good to them. He revealed to them facts of eternal life. These were good things to think about, and why should they not enjoy them? To sing was a reasonable thing to do. God had given them semething against the day of trouble and they used it. Why should not we? What is the use of being miserable when we can just as well be happy? God is near us in the joys and comforts of life as well as in our trials and temptations. We have good reasons to be thankful under all conditions of life. The sun always shines no matter about the clouds. Daylight is a good thing, but the best thing is, God created us in his image and after his likeness. There is a divine element in our nature that enables us to think God's thoughts in the facts of nature as well as in the words of Scriptures.

The natural world is a product of thought developed and governed by a system of divine laws that are always in force. God has planned and made laws by which we live, breathe, walk, see, hear, think, talk and learn the meaning of things. How our Heavenly Father has planned the universe for man's comfort and how thankful and happy man should be!

Mark the difference between the necomplished Christian gentleman and man in his uncivilized state and then be thankful for the Gospel and what the discovery of the laws of nature has done for you. Open your mind to see how God planned the laws of steam and electricity in keeping with man's espacity to utilize these forces and thus bring joy and comfort to human hearts. Go through your house, look and think as you go. You will see things of art and culture everywhere-books, and conveniences, and works of art bearing the marks of the divine in man, which means you who look. When in the city you may look around and notice the buildings, and works of man, and remember that the people who have done all these wonderful things are members of your family. God is their father and he has given them a task you could not do. They are doing the work and you are getting the benefit of it. God has given every person a religious nature. It is a source of great comfort and joy. Are you peace I leave with you." These are much to us. Are you poor and home-

yourself the golden city; locate your mansion, re- forgetfulness of lessons. - Leonard ceive your old friends, tell them to come in. Thank- Keene Hirshberg, M. D., in the Delineful? How can one help but be thankful? The stor. Christian's spirit is the thankful, happy spirit. Every person should have it. It is the conquering spirit. It never meets defeat. No matter where one is or how sad the conditions of life, the hopes | ed beyond of Chicago asks what a real of heaven are always bright. The Christian, hap- New England pie is like. It probably py spirit always has something worth while to do. The wickedness of the world is round us. Throw he means apple, it is like an essay by a dash of Gospel sunlight along the pathway of the sin-suffering friend. A light in the darkness is what he needs. Smile on him. Let him see your gladness when he would expect to see sorrow.

The thankful spirit brings gladness in all conditions of life. There are beautiful characters among the needy as well as in elegant homes on the boulevards. If the rich can afford to adorn their homes and beautify them and pay the price I will enjoy their beauty and render thanks. There is a difference in men's natural attainments. They are Godmade and are needed for the improvement and comfort of mankind. Without them there could be no schools, no true progress, and what would we do without the conveniences made possible through the labor of others. They are necessary to the comforts of our homes and in every department of the work of life. God help you to look and see reasons to be thankful every day of your life.-Rev. J. B

For the Thanksgiving Dinner

The delicate flavor of the pumpkin is developed only by a long and gentle application of heat, so when preparing it for pies always stew it for three or four hours, then mix it with the other ingrediconta.

To each cupful of pulp add two well beaten eggs. haif a cupful of sugar, a tablespoonful of cornstarch, dissolved in a cupful of cream, half a teaspoonful each of ginger and cinnamon and a teaspeenful of lemon extract; add a large tablespoonful of melted butter and fill the paste full with this mixture. Bake brown in a moderate oven.

Although the observance of Thanksgiving is particularly a northern custom, the following recipe for Virginia pudding is given in the Housekeeper as appropriate to the occasion.

Turn one pound of stoned raisins, one pound of dried currents, one-fourth of a pound of citron sliced thin into a large mixing bowl and dredge well with flour. Add half a pound of fresh suct chopped small, then mix the whole thoroughly. In another bowl cream one-half pound of butter with an equal weight of sugar; add to this mixture the yolks of six eggs beaten smooth and one pint of rich, sweet milk.

Whip the whites of the eggs very stiff, then add them alternately with one and a quarter pounds of stited flour to the mixture. Then stir into it the juice and grated rind of one lemon, one teaspoonful each of cinnamon and cloves, one-half teaspoonful of mace, one grated nutmeg and one-half teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a little cold water. Lastly, add the fruit, stirring and beating vigorously until the whole is thoroughly mixed.

Pour into a well floured pudding bag, allowing plenty of room for swelling, drop into a roomy pot of boiling water and boil continuously for five hours. Serve hot with a sauce made as follows: Cream together one cupful of white sugar and a lump of butter the size of an egg. When smooth and white, heat in the grated rind of a lemon and the whipped white of an egg.

Taking Care of Yourself.

There never was a time when people paid as much attention to their health and strength as they do cow. Time was when fine stock and fine horses were fed more carefully than human beings.

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French Canals.

The greatest era of canal building in France has been the present period. The aim in building them has been to unify, to complete, to cheapen. Another great work done by the republic has been the unifying of all the waterways; depth, breadth of the canals, distance between the locks have been made uniform throughout the country, so that the 30x40 canals, built at different periods in the course of centuries, are now as one single canal conveying goods to all parts of France and to all her principal seaports. The canals are under state supervision. They are built and kept up by state engineers. The investment for building canals is valuable, because of what it yields, of what it helps, and also of what it prevents The canals not as a kind of rate bill, an automatic, self-regulating one. In the regions (northeast of France) although canals are improved and increased in great number, are still in adequate, traffic increasing more and magazines, newspapers, pictures, more. In those parts you will often see the water covered with flat-bottom bonts of 300 tons, loaded with goods to the brim .- M. Jusserand, French ambassador.

The School Lunch and Dyspepsia.

It is very important that the meal caten at recess be a warm one, and whenever possible it should be propared and eaten at home. Until a child is 10 or 12 years old it must have its dinner or principal meal of the day at noon. The rest of the bousehold may dine in the evening. but for the youngster so heavy a reweary? "I will give you rest." "Let past near bedtime is certain to be not your heart be troubled." "My deleterious. A bundle of cold sandwiches will not serve as a substitute God's promises. They should mean for the midday dinner, for the child needs not only warm, home-cooked less? Turn your thoughts on the food, but also the walk home, the bit Saviour's promises and picture to of play on the way and the hour's

New England Pie.

Some poor dweller in the benight will not help him to be told, but if Emerson liquefied with the music of Massenet and spiced with the cynicism of Shaw; if he means pumpkin, it is like some of Gounod's music heard in a landscape all sun and flowers. It is too early yet to describe the mince pies of 1909, but last year's -and last year was not an extraordinary good year-were like an increase in salary, and a present from home arriving on the day when one's conscience was behaving itself .- Bos-

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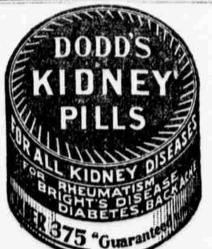
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