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A HAPPY THANKSGIVING. A Lost Boy Finds the Home of His Parents & After Seventeen Years of Wandering—A Happy Thanksgiving Reunion in an Iowa Farm House.

There was one happy household, at least in Polk county, on Thanksgiving day. There was rejoicing, and cause for rejoicing, in the home of John Cressout, of Washington Township, over the return of a son, whom they had not seen nor heard from for seventeen years.

In 1860, Mr. John Cressout, a humble tiller of the soil in the Buckeye state, resolved to remove to the rich prairies of Iowa with a hope of bettering his condition.

In those days the railroad facilities were not so abundant as at present, and the only direct and passable route laid through the city of Chicago.

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Use of Dress. No matter what man may write or say upon the subject, the womanly woman will always pay considerable attention to her dress, as she should.

Sensible men like to see their wives and daughters well dressed, and take pride in their appearance. The woman who has not some natural taste in dress, some eye of novelty, some delight in the combination of colors, must be deficient in a sense of the beautiful.

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estimation of her labor from her husband; neither should he leave her to struggle alone with her side of difficulties of household life, especially where there is a family of children. He should ever be ready with advice and help.

Women's Conversation. What a good thing it would be if women would only speak their minds. There is nothing that honest men desire more than to understand that mysterious race that is so like them and yet so unlike, who share their homes but not their thoughts.

Often times I have seen a tall ship glide by against the tide as if drawn by invisible tow line with a hundred strong arms pulling it. Her sails unfurled, her streamer drooping; she had neither side-wheel nor stern-wheel; still she moved on stately in serene triumph, as with her own life. But I know that on the other side of the ship, hidden beneath the bulk that swam so majestically, there was a little toilsome steam tug, with a heart of fire and arms of iron, that was tugging it bravely on; and I knew that if the little steam tug untwined her arms and let the ship, it would wallow and roll away, and drift hither and thither, and go off with the effluent tide no man knows where.

Meet Your Husband with a Smile. I've tried it, Sarah, and putting flowers by his plate at table. There were but few, such as golden rod, wild asters, and redish tops going to seed, but I willingly laid them on the altar of affection, hoping for great results. Put a sunflower in my hair just back of the comb, and it lay there in bright contrast, (my hair being black). Then I fixed up some of his favorite dishes, for I believe in suppers for men folks.

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