

The Home Circle.

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SALEM, FRIDAY, NOV. 23, 1877.

THE DREAMER.

All day the white-haired woman sits Beside the open door, and knits; No living thing her dim eye sees, As, busy with her memories, She dreams her dreams of what might have been.

"Mayn't I be a Boy?" "Mayn't I be a boy?" said our Mary, The tears in her great eyes blue;

WIDOW GAINES' WINTER PROVISIONS.

A Thanksgiving Story. BY JESSIE G. D.

Winton Urban sat before the fire in a deep reverie. His usually sparkling, mischievous, grey eyes looking very sober indeed.

"What great wonder are you about to perform now, Winton?" asked his sister Achsie, entering at that moment.

Wagons and forms vanished, and the midnight scene was at an end. Morning—"Come, Frank, get up and light the fire," called Mrs. Gaines.

"Won't a tea cent piece do some good?" he asked slyly. Winton turned away quietly, yet contempt showed plainly in his face.

"Hold on, my young friends, I won't give any of those things I mentioned, but I've a fine heifer with a young calf, she may have, I'll let her keep the cow, though I want the calf, and she'll keep them in milk and cream all Winter."

But my story is getting monotonous, allow me to proceed without so much detail. Our young friends were very much fatigued, and as it was eleven o'clock when they reached home, they retired at once.

Wednesday afternoon, Widow Gaines peered into her flour barrel with a sober face and aching heart. Where the flour was to come from for the long Winter, she didn't know.

The boy arose and went into the woodshed, glancing out in the gray twilight he beheld some huge black monster over by the fence in the back yard, for a moment he was appalled, but gathering courage, he snatched the candle and went out to see what it could be.

"Mother, Lily, come see what is in the back yard!" he cried. They hastily dressed, and at sight of the wood were as surprised as he had been.

"Oh, Mamma! there's a cow in our barn. I saw her looking out at the little side door." Mrs. Gaines hastened out, yet there stood young brindle, chewing her cud contentedly while the bales of hay signified that she had come to stay, and the sacks of bran added to the testimony.

There is much clamor in these years of progress, respecting a grant of new rights, or an extension of privileges, for our sex. A powerful moralist has said that "In contention for power, both the philosophy and poetry of life are dropped and trodden down."

The Right of Woman.

Those who quarrel must take the consequences. Ohio promises to produce 30,000,000 bushels of wheat this year.

New York's Obelisk.

The obelisk which New York is to obtain from Egypt is seventy-two feet high, with a base seven feet seven inches square. It was quarried at Assuan, or Syene, in upper Egypt, whence the name of the granite called syenite.

CHOICE RECIPES.

CLAM SOUP.—Take the broth of as many clams as you intend to cook. For a successful use thirty-six, chopped very fine.

TO CLEANSE WOODWORK.—Take a pail of hot water; throw in two table-spoonfuls of pulverized borax; use a good coarse housecloth—an old coarse towel does splendidly—and wash the painting; do not use a brush; when washing places that are extra yellow or stained, soap the cloth; then sprinkle it with the dry powdered borax, and rub the places well, using plenty of rinsing water; by washing the wood-work in this way you will not remove the paint, and the borax will soften and make the hands white—a fact well worth knowing.

A DELICIOUS AND EASILY MADE STEW.—Which may be left in a slow oven several hours, or even all day. Take two pounds of gravy beef, cut off the skin and fat, divide it into pieces about an inch square, wash it, then place it in a large bowl or small crock, cover it with water, or rather add as much as desired for gravy or beef tea; let it stand an hour, then cover it with a plate, and place it in a slow oven, adding previously a little salt, and, if liked, an onion, cut up fine. It should cook four or five hours, and then there will be enough gravy for delicious and most nutritious beef-tea, as well as an excellent dish of wholesome meat.

FRICASSEE OF CHICKEN.—Cut up a large chicken into neat joints. Throw them into boiling salted water for two or three minutes. Take them out, and on doing so rub each piece with a lemon cut in half. Melt an ounce of butter in a saucepan, add a tablespoon of flour, white pepper, salt, powdered nutmeg to taste, and half a pint of white stock, with an onion, a bunch of parsley, and some button mushrooms; stir the sauce till it boils, then put in the pieces of fowl, and let them stew gently. When done remove the onion and parsley, lay the pieces of fowl neatly on a dish, stir into the sauce, off the fire, a couple of yolks of eggs, strained and beaten up with the juice of a lemon, pour it over the pieces of fowl, arranging the mushrooms round them.

BREVITIES.

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