NOW AND THEN

THANKSGIVING
By ALICE MATHEWS

This day I am a thinking of the
dear old days of yore:
Of the broken links that memory
yearns so much to now restore.
The girls I used to play with, I can
close my eyes and see
For always at Thanksgiving time old
friends return to me—
The path once made so merry with
our laughter and our fun
Seems now a joyous picture that
glows brightly in the Sun;
And I wonder and I wonder as the
glad bells ring and ring.
If they will join the chorus of this
little song I sing.
O happy, happy child hood, O memories so sweet
That seem the more endearing each
Thanksgiving Day we meet.
And may the path to-morrow, with
its high and well built screen
Portray the days of childhood, with
a glowing radiant Sheen.
Let love and praise abounding at
this harvest time be brought
As we sing the tunes of gladness
from the hunting ground of
thought.

Thanksgiving Day has come and gone,—the Harvest Home; It is interesting to read of the first Thanksgiving Day in this country when, after a bleak cold winter, and a strenuous spring and summer, the Pilgrims decided to keep Thanksgiving Day.

On the hill above them was the wheat field under which were buried half of the settlers that had landed at Plymouth the winter before.

Among the sleepers were Governor Carver, the first Governor of the Colony, and fair Rose Standish, the wife of Miles Standish, who, on account of frail health, could not stand the cold winters of New England. The grain was planted above their graves, because the colonists feared for the Indians to know how many of them had died.

Because of the abundant wild turkeys and having the harvest gathered in they decided to invite their neighbors the Indians to spend the day with them. These arrived on the scene early and thoroughly enjoyed the feast for they had never tasted such provisions before. So pleased were they, that they decided to stay around and it embarrassed the Pilgrims very much to know what to do, fearing to anger them.

Finally one after another left finding that food was not so abundant as it was on Thanksgiving Day. From that time on to the present. it has been the costume for people to keep this day.

George Washington, among the first things of his term, appointed one Thursday in November to give thanks to Almighty God for all his blessings and now it is always kept on the last Thursday of this month.

The cod fish lays a thousand eggs
The hen lays only one:
The hen, however, cackles,
When her day's work is done.
For the hen knows how to advertise.
Thus showing that she is very wise.

On the famous Firth of Forth Railroad Bridge in Scotland there are thirty painters, who spend all their lives painting the bridge. They start at one end and then go to the other. It takes them three years to paint it and then they have to start all over again. It takes fifty tons of iron paint to cover the bridge. No ordinary painter can do it on account of its giddy height, so they have to be trained as young boys, and when they grow old and die their sons take their places.

The gold and scarlet tints of autumn have at last gone, and bare limbs and brown shades have
While the dead leaves rustle under my feet.
"Brown haired Autumn, silent maid,
Thgat in her hood of haze,
Sat pensive on the far blue hills,
And watched with dreamy eyes
The fading year."

WOMANS PAGE

MARY ANNE

The death of Major Coningsby Disrali removed the last male relative of the great premier, the Earl of Beaconsfeild.

The major was his nephew and heir, and has always been so careful to preserve, the old mansion just as it was left by his uncle Disraeli, and his wife, Mary Anne. Mary Anne, though of noble birth, was very poorly educated; was considered to have wretched taste in dressing and was always making "faux pas" in society. In fact among his friends she was considered impossible, but she was just the wife for the great neurotic Statesman. She seemed to fill his need for sympathy and comfort. She was twelve years his senior, nevertheless he seemed to think her always beautiful, and when she died he mourned for her very deeply.

In the hall of Hughenden, his old home where this devoted wife listened so often for the crunch of the carriage wheels bringing her exhausted Dizzy from the late battle in the House, stands the coach—that coach in which, on one occasion. Lady Beaconsfield sat with a finger trapped in the door, but silent until her husband had passed into the Commons, lest his speech should be spoiled. Here, too, stands the pink and white chair in which Disraeli was carried aloft after his first election at High Wycombe in 1832.

Wedding Ring a Souvenir

"In his uncle's workroom the major fingered lovingly the emblems of the Prime Minister's craft —everything left exactly as in those days of strenuous glory; the gold inkstand, the patents of his earldom, the cocked hat box. In a corner stands the plain old bookcase with Benjamin's school books, and some of Mary Anne too, and beside them a long line of volumes in which are bound her personal diaries covering twenty-three years. Their nephew opened a drawer and unfolded from tissue paper a gold ring, 'My wedding ring, till my finger gets better November, 1872.' The writing is Lady Beaconsfield's.

The whole country is mourning the death of Madame Schuman Heick. Not only was she a great singer, but she was so lovable and outstanding in so many ways. In spite of being on the stage since her youth, she found time to be a good mother to her seven children and an inspiration to her many young friends. Her voice was a deep contralto, very rich and strong. It is hoped that her singing of "The Rosary" will be preserved on the victrola for it was most beautiful.

She was fond, too, of the good things of life. A story is told of her by her friend, Mr. Rogers. In passing her table at a restaurant, he saw her sitting behind a large steak. "Are you going to eat that alone? he asked. Oh no, with potatoes," was her reply.

In 1770 just six years before the Declaraton of "American" Independence the English Parliament passed the following law. "Any girl, woman or widow who shall entice any man to marry by the aid of perfume shall be subject to the same penalty as that of sorcery, and the marriage shall be this law, however proved ineffective .

Margaret Mitchel Marsh! What a breeze she has created by her book! Now the movies have offered her fifty thousand dollars for the privilege of putting it on the stage.

They say now that they would have paid her one hundred thousand just as well, but she did not know it. Any how the movies are advertising for girls who can sing the old southern songs, and many are going over for a test today.

GALENA

Master Jack Jarman, of Baltimore, Md., is visiting his grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jarman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rodgers, of Washington, D. C., Miss Martha Whitaker, of Chestertown, Md., were week end guests of the formers niece, Mrs. Ernest Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pennington, Jr., of Washington, D. C., visited his aunts, Mrs. Linda Walls, Mrs. Elizabeth Wamsley last Sunday.

Our community was saddened by the sudden death of Miss Ethel Lee Prettyman, of Baltimore, Md., last Thursday daughter of Mrs. A. P. Prettyman, Miss Prettyman was employee of the Maryland Trust Co., in Baltimore, for the past 15 years. Funeral services were held from her late home. Interment in Galena cemetery last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Kirk Ford, of Marshallton, Del., Mr. Merritt Ford, of near town, spent part of last Wednesday with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Driscoll, Mr. Ralph Van Dyke spent last Friday in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Linda Walls spent last Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Wamsley in Fredericktown, Md.

Misses Mary Foster, Mary Jane Martin, of Baltimore, Md., attended the funeral of their friend, Miss Ethelie Prettyman last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dempsey entertained Mr. and Mrs. William Dempsey and family, of Kennedyville, Md., last Sunday.

Miss Selma Scotten and Richard spent last Sunday and Monday with their sister, Mrs. Harry Smith in Salisbury, Md., their little nephew, Harry, returned with them for a visit.

Miss Helen Fogwell daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fogwell and Julian Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Davis were quietly married at the home of the brides parents on Saturday evening November 14th at 6 p. m. by Rev. Henry Caldwell, of Chesapeake City. The couple were attended by Miss Helen Davs and Rob. Fogwell, Jr. Only the immediate families and a very few friends attended Mr. and Mrs. Davis will live near town.

Mr. Charles O. Burns, of New York City, N. Y., is spending a few weeks at "Old Field Point Farm," near town.

Mrs. William Wood and Mrs. Grace Dixon hvae returned home after spending several days in Cecil County with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strickland, of Newark, Del., spent last Sunday with her sster, Mrs. Errol Gilfillan.

A very pretty wedding was solomized in St. Williams Catholic Church, Baltimore, Md., on Friday morning, November 20th, when Miss Marie Burns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Burns, formerly of Galena, became the bride of Mr. William Sheen, Jr., of Baltimore. After a boat trip to Miami, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Sheen will reside in Baltimore where the groom is engaged with his father in the Asphalt Grave Vault Company.

Flag of Nova Scotia Is Traced to King James I

Nova Scotia has the distinction of being the only province of the Dominion of Canada, and the first colony of Great Britain, to possess a flag of its own. The flag of Nova Scotia is a silver field with a blue St. Andrew's Cross, a small shield with the Royal Arms of Scotland (gold, a lion rampant red, teeth, claws, and tongue blue, within a double tressure flory-counterflory fleurs-de-lys red) being placed as an inescutcheon upon the cross.

It traces its origin to the Charter of New Scotland granted in 1621 to Sir William Alexander (afterwards the Earl of Stirling) by King James VI of Scotland and I of England. In this charter the name, Nova Scotia, which is the Latin form of New Scotland, first appeared in contradistinction to Acadia or the Acadie of the French.

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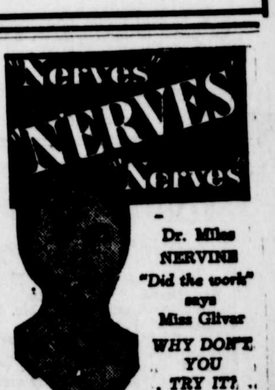

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