FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

A Thanksgiving Story. Not Long. But Sad. There was once a fat old turkey

Of very handsome feather,

Who went walking in the barnyard In every kind of weather.

And he gobble-gobble-gobbled While his birdly head he wobbled,

And smacked his lips together.

For there dwelt a caterpillar
In the yard where he was living—
So extremely fat and juicy.

That she set his bosom heaving. And he gobble-gobble-gobbled,

With such joy he fairly hobbled,
While planning for Thanksgiving.

At last it was November,

And the turkey was no thinner; He lost his head one morning, And himself was served for dinner.

He was gobble-gobble-gobbled, And the gravy round him bubbled

And the gravy round him bubble
As became so old a sinner.
But the caterpillar started

On a tour far warmer weather, And reflected as she travelled, On her friend of lordly feather Who had gobble-gobble-gobbled.

And his head toward her had wobbled, When they used to live together.

The Way to be Happy.

A hermit there was, and he lived in a grot,

And the way to be happy they said he had got.

As I wanted to learn it, I went to his cell,

And when I came there he said, "Well,

Young man, by your looks you wish something, I see;

Now, tell me the business that brings you to me."

"The way to be happy, they said, you have got

And as I wished to learn it, I have come to your grot;

Now I beg and entreat, if you have such a plan,

That you'll write it me down, and as plain as you can."

Upon which the old hermit went in for a pen,

And brought me this note when he came out again:

"'Tis being, and doing, and having that make

All the pleasures and pains that men partake—

To be what God pleases,—to do a man's best,—

And to have a good heart,—is the way to be blest."

November.

Oh! dear old dull November,

They don't speak well of you; They say your winds are chilling,

Your skies are seldom blue. They tell me you go sighing

Along the leafless trees, You have no warmth or brightness— All kinds of things like these.

But deary me, November, They quite forgot to speak

About the wealth of color On each round apple's cheek;

How yellow is each pippin
That in the meadow lies,
Almost as good as sunshine,
And better still for pies.

Why yes, dear old November, You've lots of pleasant things;

All through the month we're longing to taste your turkey wings;

What if you are a trifle dull Or just a little gray,

If not for you we'd never have Dear old Thanksgiving Day.