

"HOLIDAY GREETINGS": FROM THE BRIGHTON ARGUS, 1898

MORE FROM A BOOK OF POEMS BY FRED A. BUSH

SWEET & LONG            CENTRAL MEAT MARKET

OLD MISTER HUBBARD WENT TO THE CUPBOARD  
TO GET HIS POOR DOGGY SOME MEAT.  
BUT THE DOG HAD BEEN THERE BEFORE, I  
DECLARE,  
IN SEARCH OF SOMETHING TO EAT.  
SO HE PUT ON HIS THINGS AND HIS BANGLES  
AND RINGS,  
AND TOOK HIS STAFF, HEAVY AND STRONG,  
AND STARTED AWAY AT THE BREAK OF THE DAY,  
FOR THE MARKET OF SWEET & LONG.  
THE MEAT THAT HE FOUND, WHILE LOOKING  
AROUND,  
MADE HIM SO HUNGRY THAT DAY.  
HE SAW SUCH NICE MEAT, SO FRESH AND SO  
SWEET  
THAT HE ALMOST FAINTED AWAY.  
THE BEEF AND PORKSTEAK AND THE SAUSAGE  
THEY MAKE  
AT PRICES THAT ARE NOT TOO STRONG.  
MADE HIM LOOK UP AND SMILE AND LAUGH  
ALL THE WHILE,  
AND HE TOOK SOME NICE FRESH MEAT ALONG.  
THE MEAT THAT THEY SELL WILL SURELY  
PLEASE WELL  
FOR THE FINEST OF CATTLE THEY BUY;  
AND IF YOU WANT MEAT THAT'S FRESH AND  
QUITE SWEET,  
THE CENTRAL MARKET'S THE RIGHT PLACE  
TO TRY,  
ANOTHER FINE CARD IS THEIR HOME MADE LARD.  
AND THE SUGAR CURED HAMS THAT THEY SELL,  
AND THE OYSTERS AND FISH ALL MAKE A  
NICE DISH  
TO TICKLE THE PALATE AS WELL.

THE CAN GOODS AND PICKLES AT A  
PRICE THAT TICKLES,  
ARE JUST ABOUT RIGHT I DECLARE;  
AND THE PEOPLE IN TOWN WHEN  
LOOKING AROUND,  
CAN BUY THE BEST BOLOGNAS THERE.  
LIKE OLD MR HUBBARD, JUST FILL  
UP YOUR CUPBOARD.  
THIS IS THE ADVICE OF MY SONG:  
YOUR TRADE THEY INVITE AND YOU'LL  
BE USED RIGHT  
AT THE MARKET OF SWEET & LONG.

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