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# TERRITORY OF WASHINGTON.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

## ❀THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.❀

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By authority of the established custom of this country, I hereby designate the last Thursday  
of November as

Thanksgiving Day for the Year 1888.

I recommend that on that day the people of Washington Territory do assemble in their places of worship, in their school houses and society halls, in their loggers' camps and miners' cabins, on their ships, and by the firesides of the rich and poor, in city and country, and there give thanks to Almighty God for his infinite goodness to us and to all men.

If any homeless ones be seen standing by the way-side on that day, I trust that those who are more fortunate will care for them, that they may see the silver lining of the clouds and feel the sunshine of kindness, for a moment, and so not despair of human nature. Such bread will return, in blessed form, to those who cast it upon the waters.

Done at Olympia this 12th day of November in the  
year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and eighty-eight, and in the year of the inde-  
pendence of the United States of America the  
one hundred and thirteenth.

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By the Governor:

N. H. OWINGS,

*Secretary of the Territory.*

EUGENE SEMPLE,

*Governor.*