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For my little girl." "I wanted a book," She softly said, "for my little boy."

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O music of immemorial and dreamy and elfin grace, Song in the lance of the light of love in the light of an elfin face! This is the morning music, her arms in a necklace ring, And over the eyes of a little child in the infinite temple of spring.

Music of footsteps patter, and warble of words divine, vice of those whom the world hon- And out of her sleep with a lightheart leap into these arms of mine; This is the morning music, the trumpet to stars and men often does the child-even after it. That little child with her lips of love small lead us to morn again.

> O music of morns immortal, ring ever in rapture there, Laughter of love where the lilac lays its bloom on her hoyden hair! This is the morning music; and forever, and then a day, May it ring to me from her lips of glee in its innocent, childhood way

-Baltimore Sun.

Alas! How often things go wrong! A sigh too much or a kiss too long-And there comes a mist and a weeping rain, And life is never the same again.

Alas! How seldom things go right! 'Tis hard to watch on a Summer's night; For the sigh will come and the kiss will stay, And the Summer's night is a Winter's day.

And yet how easily things go right. If the sigh and the kiss of a Winter's night Come deep from the soul in the strongest ray That is born in the light of a Winter's day.

And things can never go badly wrong If the heart be true and the love be strong; For the mist, if it comes, and the weeping rain, Will be changed by love into sunshine again.

Sayings of Mrs. Solomon

Being the Confessions of the Seven Hundredth Wife and Translated by Helen Roland for the Washington Herald.

Behold, my daughter, there dwelt three damsels in my house; and unto one of them Fate gave great beauty; and unto the second, great eleverness and unto the third a sweet smile.

And the first damsel said: "Lo! I will marry early. Yea, I shall find a husband; for this is the beginning of an easy life."

And lo! she married at sixteen, and had seven children, one after another. Yet her husband being poor, she did all of her housework.

Yea, she buried her under a mass of embonpoint and a gingham apron. And at twenty-eight she was a sight.

And the second damsel cried: "Go to! I shall have a career. Yes, I shall be famous and I shall get my picture in the papers!"

And she went to live in a studio. And the fruits of her labors were low art and loneliness, instead of cradles and crockery.

But the third damsel murmered unto herself saying: "I shall put my sweet smiles where they will do the most

And she became a stenographer. Yea she labored hard, keeping her hair always in curl, and using a good sachet, And it came to pass that in time she married her employer-

Then the three damsels returned unto mine house, and I

charged them, saying, "What has thou done with thy talents?" And the first wept, saying : "Lo! because that I was easily satisfied, behold Fate bath

taken away the little I had. Yea, now I am a widow; and I take in sewing to support my seven children. For a husband is an asset, and children are a liability. And the second sighed, avowing:

old maid with a chronic grouch For a woman without a husband is more useless than two left hand gloves." But the third fell upon my neck crying : "Mama, I have invested my sweet smile where it would bring

"Behold, I have got my pictures in the papers, yet am I an

me value received; and lo! it has increased an hundredfold! Behold I come unto thee bringing a French maid and lots of And I took her in my arms saying: "Well done, thou good and faithful daughter! For a husband

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her foot down, somebody has to

IGNORING SMALL THINGS.

Did You Ever Think of the Harm, nities? Think Seriously.

There seems to be a very prevvery little things, and to do that acres in dispute, was it not?" little when the notion strikes them, or, when conditions and circumstances are very auspicious, and original title to that land, I prewhen there is little else to do of sume?' much importance.

A very prominent fact confronts us, and amazes us with its glaring there?" truth, that there is a vast army of church people in the world to-day who are very reluctant to perform those little seemingly insignificant things that devolve upon them as Christian duties-the little things that would inspire courage, incite interest, enlarge our faculties, increase our capacities, ennoble our natures; causing us to alleviate human suffering, and helping us to cultivate those attributes of character that aid us in controlling circumstances, and changing unsatisfactory conditions all around us; and by our obedience in their performance, to become more and more in complete harmony and sincere sympathy with God's explicit and adequate laws.

"Oh, I can't!" from professing Christians has been a most lamentable excuse with which the church has had to deal from time immemorial. It has been the means of defrauding that institution out of a vast amount of individual effort, and confining its scope of usefullness within certain limitations, which would never have been necessary, had there been the high estimate and due regard placed upon plain, hones, duties, which circumstances demanded.

"I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness." Herein is inclination to labor anywhere, any time, under all sorts of conditions and circumstances; willingness to fill the most menial position (if there be such) rather than enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season.

The plain, simple, easy duries that come up for our consideration, lose some of their attractiveness for the reason we do not always see their essential needs; they do not impress us as being of a very Aital significance; hence we often feel too big for the little things, and think we are much more capacitated for some larger work. The result is usually, the larger opportunities fail to present themselves from the fact of our not being sufficiently versed in the minor duties, which would have initated and trained us for the largeer

fields of usefulness. The average member of our churches think it is not necessary to attend prayer meeting regularly; the smallest excuse will absent them from Sunday school, and a indisposition will relieve the church service of their presence. These neglects of duty may seem small, but they are large in the aggregate. Handing around hymn books, detecting strangers in the congregation, and welcoming them with the right hand of fellowship; suying a pleasant word to the pastor, and observing the good in men and women, instead of the reverse side of character; these, and many other little things that are too often overlooked, would, if thought of seriously, and performed systematically, pave the way everywhere for soul-winning, preparing the soil for your pastor, reflecting honor upon the church of which you are a member, and inviting all around you by the power and force of your life, to engage in the Christian race. Please bear in mind that Christ never omitted the slightest detail of duty-is it wise for us to despise small things? W. F. COPPEDGE.

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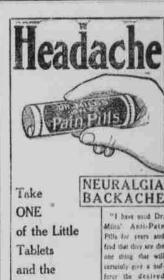
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