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Are you taking SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR, the "KING OF LIVER MEDICINES"?

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So off he went, tho' he wanted to stay. For he was not hurt by his fall.

A bright-eyed squirrel called out as he passed, swinging from a tree by his toes.

Marriage Not a Matter of Fact. Selected.

"Marriage is a very matter-of-fact affair. There is little poetry in it; and all experience shows that it is better to get rid of all nonsense before committing matrimony."

I beg to differ. All experience does not show any such thing. If nonsense means here, as it seems to mean, all those things that make the poetry of life, I say the more you have of it the better.

A marriage that can properly be styled a matter-of-fact one promises no happiness for the man, and utterable misery for the woman, if she has any soul.

What! Because a thing is real, must it be common-places? The light of love illumines the homeliest duties; and because there must be eating and drinking, and sleeping, and earning of bread-and-butter in its years, marriage need not be a matter-of-fact arrangement—a coarse sort of bargain, in which the wife becomes a housekeeper, and the husband a banker.

When two people of opposite sex, temperament and habits resolve to live together for the rest of their lives, there is a necessity for a little of that romance that makes people seem better and more beautiful than they really are.

No—if you have no other part in life that is not common-places and matter of fact, forbid that home-life which is the consequence of marriage to sink to this. Have a thousand "songs without words" for every day. Nourish your most delicate sentiments and weave them with the hours as they glide by.

The woman that is a happy wife need not long to be courted again. There is no need, she is won; nor are many compliments necessary. Mutual devotion is an ever-appreciated compliment.

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MARY KYLE.

ABOUT SCHOOLS. TEACHERS AND PARENTS. The Needed Cord of Sympathy.

Edward Bok in Ladies' Home Journal. DUTY OF PARENTS.

I believe it is time that the American school system should receive a little more personal attention at the hands of our parents, and the position of the teacher be more clearly understood.

SOCIAL CRIMES—BROKEN PROMISES. Wilson Advance.

If we were to charge any person of our acquaintance with deliberately breaking a promise the result might be a case in the Police Court.

SYMPATHY WITH TEACHERS. The teacher, too, should have her hands upheld by the parents.

Without assistance from the parents, the school-teacher fights single-handed and against the most difficult odds.

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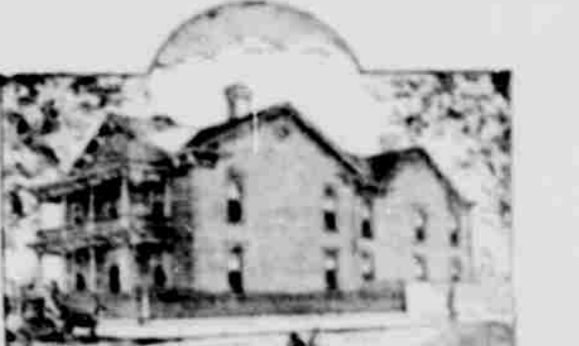
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