

Courtship

There are certain young ladies in the world (writes a philosopher) who hold peculiar notions as to the attentions they receive from gentlemen.

Spiritualism

In the following passage which we take from the International Review, is an attempt to outline a theory by which to account for the phenomena of somnambulism, mesmerism and spiritualism.

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"The hypothesis of a common force like gravitation, or a common medium like the ether, or a universal influence like magnetism or electricity, would seem to account for a larger number of the phenomena than any other; but whether it comes up to the scientific requirements of accounting for all, it would be imprudent to affirm.

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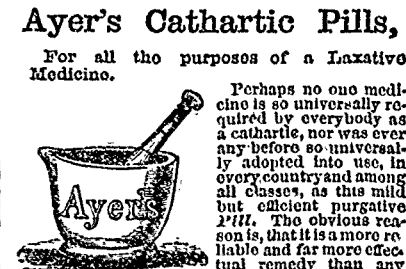
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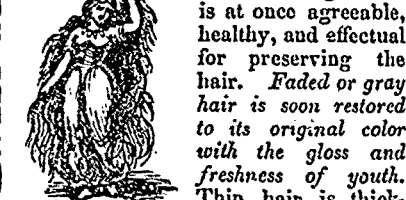
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