

The Children's Page

BOWS AND BRAIDS. (By Rose Mills Powers.) When little girls most anywhere are found With hair cut very short and straight around And one big bow a-top their tresses caught...

SOMETHING ABOUT YOURSELF. Supposing your age to be about fifteen years or thereabouts, you can be figured up to a dot. You have 100 bones and 500 muscles; your blood weighs 25 pounds; your heart is nearly five inches in length and three in diameter...

JOE'S VACATION. One cool summer morning an old man, bent with age, crippled with rheumatism, by both made querulous was sitting in an armchair in his library...

AN INGENIOUS SENTENCE. The following curious sentence, Sator arepo tenet opera rotas, is not first-class Latin, but may be freely translated: "I cease from my work; the mower will wear his wheels." It is, in fact, something like a nonsense verse...

MORE PRECISE. Bobbie, aged five, saw a cow grazing in his mother's flower-garden, and shouted, "Scat! scat!" The cow didn't seem to be much intimidated, and calmly ate on. Three-year-old Mary, dancing with excitement, exclaimed: "Tell him to 'scow!' Wobbie, tell him to 'scow!'"—The Delineator.

The Holy Father and the Little Dublin Boy (From "Rome.") It is a well-known fact here in Rome that at Papal audiences the young people are always the best of it. The Pope will often stop before a little boy or girl and begin to converse with the most charming familiarity...

am going to send him to Stanley's for a box of cigars. No—"I know all about those you have stored away for long suffering callers, but I want some of this year's. You can't impose those dry ones on a New York man like our boy," he said with infinite scorn, then added irritably, "I wish I knew what brand to get. If that disagreeable Dr. Masterson had not forbidden me to smoke these past twenty years I would be more of an authority on the matter. I notice the old fellow always has a cigar in his own mouth—but then it's all my own fault, he knows better than to pay some one to tell him that they are 'poisoning his whole system,'" he grumbled.

His wife wisely made no comment but sent for Silas and was silent until her husband's savage mood had passed, then she remarked pleasantly, "I met Miriam Marshall yesterday and told her that Joe is to be home for two weeks. Her face flushed crimson and she smiled delightedly. I have always thought she is very fond of him, and has been ever since they played together as children."

"Certainly she is, everybody is." "But I don't mean in the way all his friends are, I imagine—" and she nodded significantly. After a pause she jumped up hurriedly. "I'm going to the kitchen," she announced. "Wait a moment, Mary," her husband called after her and then when she reappeared at the door he went on, "We must not have dinner until Joe gets here, no matter how late it is."

"Oh, no, not for the world. I have ordered what he likes best, especially chicken and cherry pie, and a great deal of both. You remember, father, that the amount of either of them he can dispose of is really marvellous!" The day wore on as all days of waiting do, whose every hour seems made of twice sixty minutes. The invalid pored over his time table noting each mile of his son's way, and again explaining to his wife exactly where he was at that moment and what the next stop would be; while the mother, usually busy and bustling and full of the joyous spirit utterly lacking in her husband, she, as each hour brought her son nearer, grew very quiet and sat with her restless hands folded in her lap too happy to read or talk or do anything but sing within her own heart, "He is coming, my child, my little Joe is coming."

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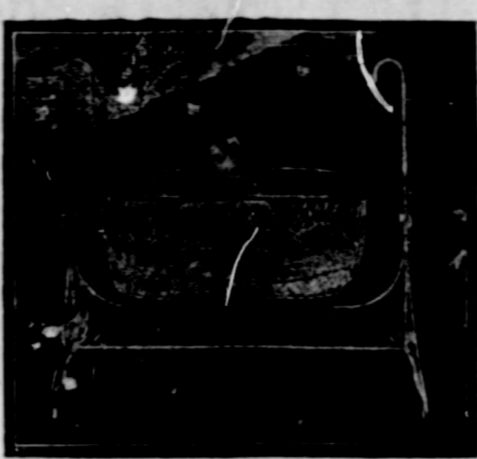
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