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PREFACE.

MANY teachers in Modern Language work wish to devote the time allotted to composition and conversation to a course containing living expressions, to words and phrases that may be used, should the pupil be in the country where the language is spoken. It is the purpose of the author of these exercises to present such a course. The pupil is supposed to have some knowledge of French grammar, and the ability to read easy prose. Many of the sentences in the exercises are taken from the author's "Colloquial German," with changes adapting them to a residence in Paris.

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EXERCISES
IN
EVERYDAY FRENCH.

EXERCISE I.

1. I have a book. 2. He has the pen and ink. 3. She has a daughter and two sons. 4. Where is the boy? 5. I had a brother and a sister. 6. Here are the books, but they have the pencils. 7. My friend had three horses and a carriage. 8. His father and mother were here. 9. The woman has four children. 10. Where were the boys? 11. The men are there, but the boys are here. 12. My son will be in the city to-morrow. 13. He was at his aunt's. 14. She will be at our house. 15. Her daughter has two hats and five dresses. 16. Where have you been? 17. We have been at church; where were you? 18. My brother was at school six hours, but I was at home all day. 19. We, too, were there. 20. Where were your friends? 21. They were with us. 22. Her father and her sister will be here in an hour.

EXERCISE II.

1. Has he bread? 2. Have you some bread? 3. Has she any bread? 4. I haven't any bread. 5. We

have no bread. 6. She has good bread, and he has some good cheese. 7. Our friends had neither bread nor cheese. 8. My brother has plenty of bread, but he has little butter. 9. She had much water, but she had no wine. 10. Give me some meat. 11. Do not give me any wine. 12. You give me no water. 13. I have books in my library, and money in my pocket. 14. The boy had no books, but he had some pens. 15. Birds have wings and feathers. 16. Man is mortal, but the soul is immortal. 17. Men have reason and intellect. 18. We have something interesting to show you. 19. Give me a pound of sugar and a bottle of wine. 20. They have a wine bottle and a marble table. 21. My friend (*f.*) has a velvet hat and a gold ring.

EXERCISE III.

1. We have a large white house in the country. 2. My cousin's friend has the largest house in Paris. 3. Her dear boy had expensive books. 4. The oldest house was the best in the town. 5. The good girl was happy, but the bad boy was unhappy. 6. She gave me some pretty white flowers. 7. You are good for nothing; I am not satisfied with you. 8. The young man was sorry for his fault. 9. He is taller than his mother. 10. I am six feet tall myself. 11. Her friend has a beautiful wife and a very pretty child (*f.*). 12. I was in the garden, in the midst of the beautiful roses. 13. There were many rose-bushes by the gate. 14. The school-teacher was the handsomest man in the village. 15. My youngest brother is my dearest friend. 16. London is the largest city in the world. 17. We have French silk