

Children's Department.

Quarrelsome Snap

The big and strong should be gentle and merciful towards the weak; the poet tells us that "the brave love mercy," so I am afraid Snap was a coward. He was a large and powerful dog, good looking enough, but possessed of one draw-back—a very disagreeable temper. How he would snarl and growl and scold, and fly at the little dogs, till they fled before him with sounds of grievous lamentation. Have you ever known a boy something like that—a boy who attains the character of a bully, because he seems to find pleasure in teasing and irritating the small and the weak?

I lately read of a little fellow who, at a school excursion, took off his knickerbockers so as to save them from getting wet while he paddled in the sea. Well, some teasing boys came along, and not too kindly buried those knickerbockers, so that when tea-time came and the rest departed to the banquet, the poor little child was seen sorrowfully digging in the sand to find his garments. Somebody with pleasanter disposition helped him at last to find them.

I have met with the remark that a true gentleman avoids giving pain to any. If all boys were gentlemen in the best sense of the word, cowards and bullies would disappear. Never play any joke, or say or do anything that can pain, or vex, or oppress another.

Snap being so strong, of course had it all his own way in the village where he lived; when they saw him coming, the little dogs would give each other the warning in dog-language, and off they would scamper, their tails between their legs. But one day Master Snap received the punishment of his misdeeds, and was taught that, sooner or later, unkind ways and ill-tempered behaviour lead to trouble.

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the little brown terrier, to Fay, the pug, "Snap has something funny over his mouth to-day. Trusty, the retriever pup at the smithy, declares he cannot bite. Let us go for a walk and have a look at Snap. I suppose his master has put on a muzzle because he is so bad tempered."

Quite a procession of small dogs started out to have a look at the unfortunate Snap. Sure enough, quarrelsome Snap was securely muzzled, but he walked haughtily along, trying to look as though nothing had happened. We ought to return good for evil, and Christian boys and girls would be ashamed to harbour revenge, but the little dogs knew no better. The friend who related the incident said the allied forces attacked poor Snap, and, after a little consideration, he came to the conclusion that he must own himself defeated. The muzzle prevented the angry bites he desired to inflict, and off he trotted home, fleeing before the regiment of small dogs, barking triumphantly, as if to say, "Now it is our turn; quarrelsome folks are certain to suffer in the end."

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We cannot know, but there is one thing quite certain. Whatever the boy does now that he is poor, he would do if he were rich. If he is generous now, he would be generous then. If he works faithfully now, he would work with fidelity then. For "he that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much; and he that is unjust in the least, is unjust also in much."

Sambo's Exeursion.

Sambo was an ape, and his home was in one of the many islands that are dotted about the Pacific Ocean. These islands are entirely made by the coral insect, one building its little lime cell over the cell of his fellow, until gradually—bit by bit—the cells become a sort of stiff bush at the bottom of the sea. This bush goes on growing and growing by the work of these tiny insects until at last a rock is formed, and by-and-by this rock appears above the

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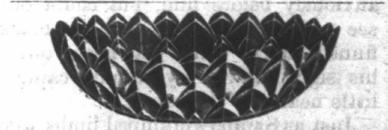
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