

After some time the robbers, who had not fled far, got over their fright. One, bolder than the rest, entered the house. All was still and dark. He took a candle from his pocket to light it



at the coals on the hearth. But these coals were the two bright eyes of the cat. The cat did not like him to put the candle in her eye, so she sprang at his face and scratched him.

He ran to the door, and, as he was going out, the dog jumped up and bit him on the leg. On