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CATS and dogs do not, as a rule, make very good friends. Perhaps, doggie is usually to blame for this. He never seems able to come near a cat without behaving rudely, and barking at her until she flies in terror to some place of shelter. With her sharp claws, kitty can easily climb a tree and so get out of her enemy's way. Three kittens were playing happily together in a garden when a black and white dog, named Spot, came along and frightened them away. Up a tree they scrambled and then down into a nice, comfortable hammock they climbed. Here they are safe out of Spot's reach. He thinks he will just sit still under that hammock until the kittens are lite so hungry they will have to come down. But Spot forgets that he soon grows tired and hungry himself, and in a few minutes he will run away to his master. Then the kittens will go on with their game



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of "Cat's leap frog. Some little boys I am afraid are something like naughty Spot and think it fun to spoil some other boys' or girls' game. But we think none of our boys would act like that. They have been taught the Golden Rule. Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you do ye even so to them."

TALENTS fostered under difficulties develop brightest, graces grow stalwart beneath storms of opposition. If you are a precocious child and your every bright idea is anticipated and praised, you will soon become conceited and hopelessly effeminate, but the boy or girl of robust or native talent, whose early aspirations are rudely crushed by some unkindly hand, grieving for a while, soon recovers patience.

INDIAN babies are tied to boards and will lie down or stand up for hour without any attention and never make a bit of noise.