

Children's Department.

Baby's Hands.

Dainty, dimpled little things,
Soft as angels' plumed wings,
Naught to do but grow,
Awkwardly you move about,
Up and down, and in and out,
Tell me, do you know
Why such antics you go through?
What you're trying now to do?
Where you want to go?

Dainty, dimpled little things,
Clutching, as your cradle swings,
At thin nothingness.
Who can tell what you will hold
When your grasp is firm and bold?
May be honour—may be gold—
May be nothingness!

Dainty, dimpled little things,
Whatsoever the future brings,
There'll be work for you
Though you still be soft and white,
You cannot your duties slight
While there's work to do
There'll be burdens to be lifted,
From the bad good must be sifted,
From the false, the true;
And though you're so soft and small,
Of this work, a part will fall,
Little hands, on you.

—What Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for others it will also do for you. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures all blood diseases.

A Plodder.

"Jack is such a plodder!" said one young fellow of another. "He's so slow that I can't bear to have anything to do with him. When we try to do anything together, we never get on. I want to be through, and he wants to see how well he can do. He won't commit anything to memory till he understands it, and it takes a long time to do that. I've no patience with Jack."

"But," said the other friend, "you know very well that if Jack plods, he doesn't do it by fits and starts; he keeps right on. I think Jack is splendid, because no matter how hard

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it may be to do a thing, he keeps right on till it is done."

And the gentleman who was looking for a boy to do odd jobs out of school overheard the talk, and instead of taking Jem, who always wanted to hurry through, and who was full of starts and stops, he offered the work to Jack, who plodded on patiently and did not stop till all was done.

Better by far work slowly and keep at it, than go by fits and starts, working fast and then stopping before the work is finished. If a boy has a mile and a quarter to go, and runs a mile and then stops, all his swift running for the first part of the way won't make up for stopping short a little before the end; while a boy who walks, but keeps straight on, will be sure to finish the journey.

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"His Way."

Ned came in and tossed his cap upon the table, looking flushed and angry.

"What is the matter, Ned?" asked his father.

"If you have any more errands to Squire Harrison, papa, I wish you could send somebody besides me. He answered me as roughly as if he suspected me of being a pickpocket."

His father laughed.
"You need not have minded," said he. "I forgot that you were not very well acquainted with the squire. He is a very good-hearted man indeed. That is only his way."

"Well," said Ned, "all I have to say about it is, that it is a very bad way."

Listening quietly in my corner, I felt that I quite agreed with the lad's opinion. Then I fell to asking myself some questions to which I could make no satisfactory answers at all.

Why should the same action be considered an unpardonable rudeness in one person, and only the "way" of another?

Has discourtesy only to become a habit in order to be excusable?

Has anybody any right to a "way" which interferes with the comfort or happiness of other people?

How is one to expect figs from thistles, or to detect a "good heart" under a boorish manner?

If one must have "his way," what possible reason is there that it should not be a winning way?

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Willie was Right.

"Is that your cat, Willie? Come on, let's have some fun, then. My dog Trip will fight her in a minute, if I set him on."

"Oh, don't, Dick!" begged Willie, hugging his kitten tight. "It isn't right for dogs and cats to fight."

"Tisn't wrong, anyhow," said Dick, "'cause they don't know any better. They haven't souls, you know."

"Well," said Willie, stopping a minute to think, "we know better, and if we make 'em fight, it's wrong for us. It hurts them when they bite and scratch each other, and mamma says it spoils them for pets. She said never to let Snowball get mad and scratch, and she shan't if I can help it. I'm not going to fight, myself, and my cat mustn't either. It would be bad to make her."

And Willie was right.

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