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a dog, but more like a sort of mole) which never lies in the grass, but throws up a mound, by digging, upon the top of which it sits or sleeps.

Another idea has been that dogs have a fancy, when sleeping, that the head should be in a particular direction towards the sky, so they move about till they think they have found this position, north or south, or whatever it may There are other cases of this. Some plants even seem to observe the sun, and twine or creep to the east or west, as may be their natural habit. Some people who think themselves wise say that even men and women, boys and girls, should have their beds placed, if they can, with the head to the north and the feet to the south, because our bodies move as the earth moves.

One naturalist says he is quite sure that the dogs which twirl about most are the smooth terriers and others with short hair, while the long-haired or shaggy dogs generally drop to sleep at once. so that, after all, it may be only a sort of fidgetiness in many dogs and a few cats which makes them go to sleep in tihs fashion. At any rate no one is really certain of the reason.

#### **The Little Persian**

Among the Persians there is a sect called the Soofees, and one of the most distinguished saints of this sect was Abdool Kauder.

It is related that, in early childhood, he was smitten with the desire of and, moreover, they loved grandma's devoting himself to sacred things, and stories, and so without looking at each wished to go to Bagdad to obtain know- other, they walked stiffly beside grand-His mother gave her consent; and taking out eighty dinars (a denomination of money used in Persia), she told him that, as he had a brother, half of that would be all his inheritance.

She made him promise, solemnly, never to tell a lie, and then bade him farewell, exclaiming, "Go, my son; I give thee to Cod. We shall not meet again until the day of judgment!"

He went on till he came near to Hamadan, when the company with which he was travelling was plundered by sixty horsemen. One of the robbers asked him what he had got. "Forty dinars," said Abdool Kauder, "are sewed under my garment." The fellow laughed, thinking that he was joking him. "What have you got?" said another. He gave the

same answer. When they were dividing the spoil he was called to an eminence where their chief stood. "What property have you, my little fellow?" said he. "I have told two of your people already," replied the boy. "I have forty dinars sewed up carefully in my clothes." The chief desired them to be ripped open, and found

the money.
"And how came you," said he with surprise, "to declare so openly what has been so carefully hidden?"

"Because," Abdool Kauder replied, "I will not be false to my mother, whom I have promised that I will never conceal

"Child!" said the robber, "hast thou such a sense of duty to thy mother, at thy years, and am I insensible, at my

age, of the duty I owe to my God? Give me thy hand, innocent boy," he continued, "that I may swear repentance upon it." He did so; and his followers were all alike struck with the scene.

"You have been our leader in guilt," said they to their chief, "be the same in the path of virtue!" and they instantly, at his order, made restitution of the spoil, and vowed repentance on the hand of the boy.

## The Spite House

(By Emily Rose Burt)

"You're mean, Kitty Perkins." "So are you, Patty Parker, and if you don't look out I shall take all my things out of this playhouse and have 'em somewhere else. Then how would your old playhouse look?"

To grandma, sitting on the veranda, the cross voices were wafted loudly from the corner playhouse under the plumtrees, and grandma looked troubled.

"Kitty, Patty!" she called clearly. At first Kitty and Patty did not hear; their own voices were too loud, but when grandma down across the lawn, and stood in the doorway of the playhouse, they both looked up, just a little ashamed.

"Did you ever hear about the old Spite House in Marblehead?" asked grandma smiling. "Come up on the veranda and have a peppermint while I tell you about it."



Kitty and Patty loved peppermints ma up to the veranda.

"Down in the queer old town of Marblehead, on the Massachusetts shore," began grandma when Kitty and Patty were settled on either side of her, munching the pink peppermints, "there is a very odd-looking house. It looks just as if some one had taken a big knife and sliced out a quarter of it, just as you cut a square corner out of a loaf of cake."

"How funny!" cried Kitty. "What made it that way?" asked Patty.

"That's just what I'll tell you, if you'll listen," said grandma.

"There once were four brothers who lived together in that house when it was a whole house and not three-quarters of one. And then one day the brothers had a quarrel, and one of them said:

"If I can't have my own way I shall go off, and I'll take my share of the house with me."

"But the other brothers did not give up, and the next day the other brother came with workmen, and they measured the old house and divided it into quarters. Then they sawed and chopped and cut and took away one quarter to another place, and there the fourth brother lived all alone. Every one in Marblehead knew about the quarrel; so the story has come down to this day, and if you go to Marblehead as follow a certain little winding street to the water's edge there you will see the 'Old Spite House, as it has been named."

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