

The Family. THE DISCOURAGED APPLE. A tiny young apple, so green and so round. Peeped down from his home in the tree, And there just before him, stretched out on the ground, A pumpkin he happened to see; And admired him so much, That he wished he was such A fine thriving fellow as he.

The boys looked on in wonder, and one whispered to another, "Sure he's no longer daft. The senses he's come into his head, and he looks and speaks like a wise one." When Yeddie reached the poor cot he called "home," he hardly dared to speak to "granny" who sheltered him, lest he might, as he said, "lose the bonny face." He left his partridge and tracks "untasted; and after smiling on and patting the faded cheek of the old woman, to show her that he was not out of humor, he climbed the ladder to the loft where his pallet of straw was, to get another look and another word "fro' the bonny face."

"I don't think it necessary to be very brave to wear a last year's bonnet," replied Nellie. "I am sure that it is not a great cross to me, although I don't like to be laughed at because of it. Mother says she can't afford a better one, and that is enough for me to know to be satisfied with what I have." Now, Nellie really did not know that she was a brave girl in deciding to wear a bonnet that would not dare to do otherwise, and so she would go bareheaded. How much nobler is Nellie, who dares to follow her mother's counsel, than she may appear quite so fashionable! Yes, she is the genuine brave girl, who like thousands who always stop to ask, "What will be thought of this or that?" what Mrs. A. or Mrs. B. say about me if I do thus and so, nor having courage to do right even lest some one laugh or sneer.—Home Monthly.

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