THE SWING.

Lessons are over nd books put way, and our litle maid has come out to enjoy the fresh air and the brilliant sunlight. No doubt the sensation, as she rushes through the air on her wing, and the sweet scented autumn winds playing round her face and hair, is deli-cious; and let us hope she enjoys it the more for having worked hard and well at her books during the morning.

PROUD ELLA.

Elia was Aunt
Margie's little
girl, and had
come with her
mother and cousins to visit the
fair. After they
had come within
the building, her
mamma told her
to put her parasel down, but the
child did not
choose to mind.

"Your mamma says for you to put down your parasol," said Mabel, gently.

"I s'an't; I want it up."

Eddie looked astonished at a child that could put on such airs and speak so pertly.

The little miss marched on. She expected every one to admire her, but they did not. No one noticed her excepting one girl, who remarked as she pressed on, "See that little goose!"

By and by Ella got tired of carrying mother had taught her not to say illher parasol. She wanted to look at some natured words. She went and picked up



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of the pretty things, and wished it was shut. A man coming by just then jostled against it and knocked it out of her hand. It rolled along the ground, catching up the dust at every turn. Then Miss Ella set up a loud erv.

"Good enough for her!" Mabel was just going to say, but she didn't. Her mother had taught her not to say illnatured words. She went and picked up the parasol, gently saying, "Shall I close it for you now, Ella?"

"Yes," she pouted.

"And I'll carry it for you: shall I?" asked Eddie.

"Yes," Ella

If she stays much longer with those nice little cousins of hers, she may drop her disagreeable, naughty ways, and copy their politeness and good manners.

DOLLY'S PRE-SCRIPTION.

Florence's mother was sick, and her uncle-doctor was coming to the house every day. Once as he was about to leave, Florence called him back. "I want a 'scription for my dolly, Uncle Hugh; she is very sick."

Her uncle felt Dolly's pulse, and then sat down, and wrote something on a paper, which he handed to grandmother.

Grandmother found an empty bottle which she nearly filled with water; then she added a few drops of peppermint and a little sugar.

Florence took her little silver spoon and gave the medicine to herself instead of to her dolly. It tasted very good, so medicine time came round quite often.

The next morning Florence told Uncle Hugh that Dolly was much better.