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supper of huckleberries and milk and doughnuts; but I just *despise* to be always folding up, or hanging up, or picking up something."

In emphasizing his views, Jamie jerked the tablecloth, so that baby's tray and spoon went clattering to the floor. Then there were two more things to pick up.

"Still," said Mrs. Wright, "I think there are some kinds of order which you like."

"I'm afraid not, mamma; not one."

"When you have played out of doors until the last minute and you get into the house just as the clock strikes one, then do you mind dinner being all in order?"

Jamie smiled; then he looked a little sober.

"Yesterday when Uncle Charles came to take you to ride with him if you could be ready in five minutes—Uncle Charles who is so elegant—then were you sorry to find clean collar, necktie, handkerchief, gloves, hat, all ready to lay your hands on them?"

"Mamma."

"Would you like to find yourself at school with holes in your jacket? Do you hate, when you go up stairs at night tired, to find a bed made up comfortable?"

"Mamma, what do you mean?"

"That is not order which you hate, but the trouble necessary to gain it. Ah, my boy, no one of us likes that; but ought not each of us to take a part of it? Or should papa or mamma or grandma and Bridget do all the tiresome picking up and 'fixing up,' while Jamie only enjoys it?"

Jamie put two warm arms around his mother's neck: "Mamma, you are great for explaining things aren't you?"—*Boston Beacon.*

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