

wouldn't succeed; I'll show you the way." But at his first fierce stroke off flew his head, and the iron remained as before.

"Shall I try?" asked the soft, small flame; but they all despised the flame; but he curled gently round the iron, and embraced it, and never left it till it melted under the irresistible influence.

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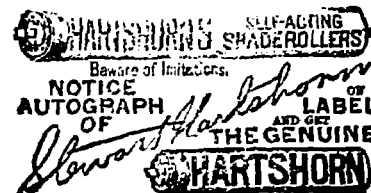
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