

FOR THE JUNIORS

RUNAWAY NICK'S ADVENTURES.

NICK was a roly-poly terrier puppy, and full of mischief. One morning he found the gate open and, feeling very brave, he slipped through and pattered swiftly down the sidewalk. The first enemy he met was a cat. Nick did not approve of cats and was going by without noticing her, when she spat, most insultingly, at him. This was too much. With a growl Nick sped after her and away the cat flew. He chased her a long way, but at last she climbed a tree, where she sat, out of danger, abusing him with all her might while he danced around, growling, on the earth, unable to reach her.

He began to feel hungry and decided to go home, but a difficulty arose; he didn't know the way. He ran up to several verandahs that looked like his, but was driven away. He trotted on, feeling very homesick, until he met a big dog with a bone. "Get out," growled the big fellow, just as Nick was going to ask, politely, for a piece.

Seeing a hole in a fence, he crawled through it, and found a garbage pail. Poor Nick was so hungry now that he grabbed a large chop and was going to enjoy it when a woman threw some water on him. Poor Nick! He wobbled back to the hole and was squeezing through, feeling very bad and wishing

THE WONDERFUL WORK OF BEAVERS.

WHEN the Grand Trunk Railway ran a line across a swamp in a game preserve in the Alberta Rockies there was a fine beaver dam holding the water back to flood the swamp.

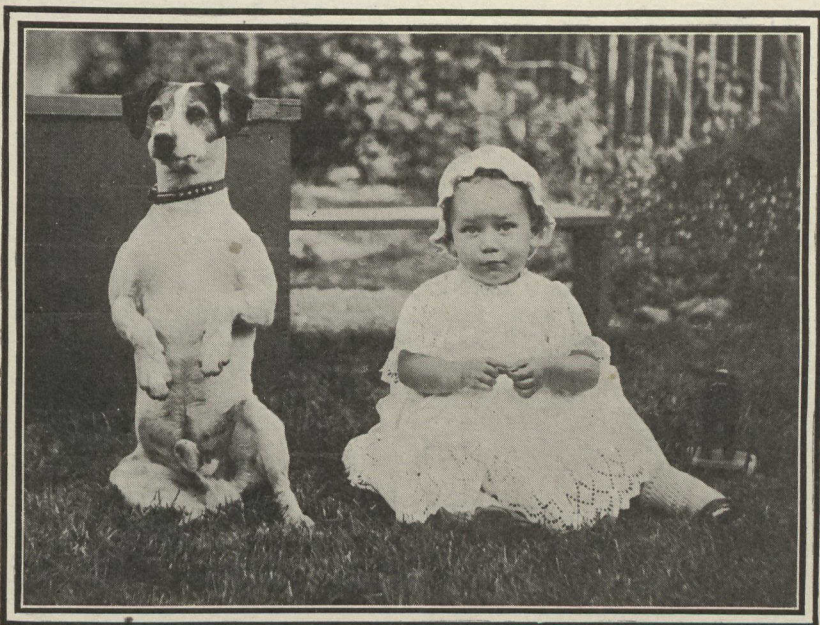
The game warden ordered the engineers to disturb the beavers as little as possible. They could have blown out the dam with dynamite and killed most of the little animals, but that would have been cruel.

So they cut an opening in the dam. The mud of the dam was almost as hard as concrete and it took the men three days to get the water to running out properly. Then they started work on the railroad through the swamp.

Soon the water began to rise and the work was stopped by water in a few hours. The engineers went down to the beaver dam and found the animals had repaired the cut and made it tight.

A new cut was made, but when the men were gone the beavers were busy and the damage repaired. Work on the railroad was stopped in a few hours.

Then a hole was made in the earth deep under the dam. That puzzled the beavers. They had never before seen water go down into the ground and come up far away. But they studied the



There's a little lump of sugar upon my doggie's nose. Should anyone say, one, two, THREE!—inside of him it goes!

he had never left his home, when he heard some one say, "Oh, you naughty dog, where have you been?" and there was his little mistress who had been looking everywhere for him. He was never so glad to see her before, and that was the end of Nick's wanderings.—Harper's Bazar.

A VISIT TO GRANDMAMA.

WHEN we go out to Grandmama's, We play the livelong day, But, as the sun begins to set, We put our dolls away. For then we know that very soon The birds will go to bed, And Grandmama says that's the time For children to be fed.

She pours us out the milk so sweet, And cuts the bread so white; She always waits on Neltje first, And that is only right— For Neltje is the oldest one, As you of course can see, And should be waited on before A little girl like me.

But when the supper's over, And the daylight's gone to sleep, We draw the chairs before the fire To watch the shadows creep, While Neltje sits by Grandmama As grown up as can be, And then, because I'm littlest, I'm cuddled on her knee.

—St. Nicholas.

problem and the work on the railroad was soon stopped by water and half the tools were covered.

Then followed a contest of cunning between the men and the beavers. But every time the men opened a way for water to run the beavers found out how to stop it.

The road was finally built by working a few hours at a time, and the loss to the contractor was about five thousand dollars. The beavers lost their time.

WHY AN EXPRESS ENGINE HAS A LOW FUNNEL.

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