

with its orange hat, the gold embroidery glistening as he did so; "but perhaps you may be right."

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How sad it is that some children take a delight in teasing and frightening defenceless little creatures. Only the other day I saw two well-dressed boys stop in the road and pick up stones to throw at some pigeons near them. I suppose they called themselves "gentlemen," but I did not think them so, or they would have acted more gently to the weak and inoffensive birds, that had done them no harm.

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