

whip the horses; get the fellows on the sidewalk behind your wagon to help you."

"Well, I'm very much obliged to you," said the man. "I guess I got madder than I needed to."

"That was quicker than sending for the police or even beating the man, don't you think, sis?" said Nat, as he came into the yard.

Nat has forgotten all about the episode, but I have not. Many a time have I rescued a beaten animal from the whip, not by reproaching, but by helping the harassed man who was beating, because, in most cases, he did not know anything else that he could do.

Once, after a teamster and I, on a county road, had together pried a wagon out of the mud, I said, "Now you'll remember next time, will you not, that a stick on the wheel is better than a whip on your horse's back?" and we both smiled while he answered, "Yes, lady, I will; but I guess I'd gone on licking the mules if you'd a-scolded me instead of lending a helping hand!"

So, suppose the moral is that it is better to lend a hand than to scold, and that a kind act may have a longer life than its doer's memory.

#### SAINT GEORGE AND THE DRAGON.

"O mamma, what a brave picture!" exclaimed little Carl Harris, "and what a gallant knight he looks and what a handsome war horse he rides. I am sure he conquered every enemy he met."

Carl was looking at a picture of Saint George and the Dragon, which represented the daring knight mounted on his war horse, riding with lance in rest against the terrible dragon—a creature with a lizard's body, and breathing fire and smoke from its nostrils.

"Yes he looks a very noble champion," answered his mother, "and indeed he was, for the English chose him for their national saint, and King Edward III. made him the patron of the order of the garter—a very famous hero indeed, though

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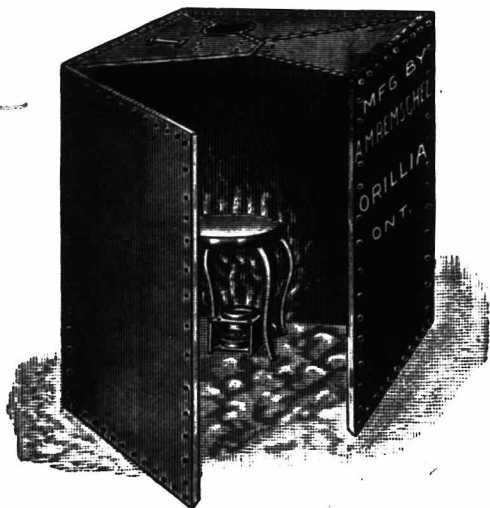
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"The real Saint George was a very different person from the splendid knight the legends tell us about, Carl. He was a very good and holy man who lived back in the time of the cruel persecutions of the Roman emperors and dared to worship God as the Christians had been taught. When the Emperor Diocletian posted an edict commanding all to worship the false gods of Pagan Rome the old man pulled down the imperial decree. For this he was doomed to suffer death, and he was accordingly burned at the stake in Nicodemia, in the year of our Lord 303.

"Then he really didn't kill a dragon after all," said Carl, with a look of disappointment.

"A dragon is an imaginary creature," replied Mrs. Harris, "but there are real perils as formidable to meet

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