

people with questions when they were reading or writing; take one's chair, if one happened to rise for a moment; leave the door wide open on a cold day; and do a hundred other rude things, just because he did not take the trouble to think about the matter.

However, I am going to tell you about a little boy who is exactly the reverse of this. I never saw him guilty of any rudeness; and I will tell you why it is: he always considers what is likely to be pleasant to other people, and he carefully avoids doing what he thinks will be disagreeable.

When his mother one day complained that she had a headache, he instantly put away his playthings, and sat down quietly to read. If he is asked what he will have at dinner, he never chooses anything of which there is but a small quantity, though it may happen to be the nicest; but he looks to see what there is plenty of, and asks for that:— for he knows that to take just what we like best, without caring whether there is enough left for other people, is both rude and greedy.

Polite conduct should be exercised