

PRIMARY PIECES

A SEVERE ALTERNATIVE

"Son!" and Father's voice was stern-like,
"Mother's tired; I heard her sigh.
Now get to work and *wash* those dishes,
While Brother Sid can *dry*."

When Father spoke they knew 'twas useless
To try their task to shirk.
They rolled their sleeves up, looked quite mad,
But both boys went to work.

"When I'm a man," said Sid to Johnny,
"I will never wash a dish;
I'll play baseball; I'll shoot; I'll swim;
And every day I'll fish."

Said John, "Me, too; such work shall never
My peace and comfort mar!
Wash dishes? Well just catch me at it.
Why, I'druther go to WAR."