

what he would do? He would upset it with a blow, and both the boy and his mother would be lost. Eight or nine of us jumped into canoes and started for the boy. The crocodile had nearly overtaken the canoe, but we reached it in time. We scared the crocodile away, and brought the canoe to the shore. The boy stepped out on the ground and fell down, he was so frightened and tired. We carried him into one of my huts, and took his mother's body in there too. We thought she was dead.

"But after a little while she opened her eyes. She could whisper only two or three words. She asked for her boy. We lay him beside her on her arm. She stroked him two or three times with her hand. But she was hurt so badly! Then she shut her eyes and did not open them nor speak again. Oh, how the little boy cried! But he saved his mother's body from the crocodiles."

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To this letter Washington sent the following reply:

"Dear Dickey I thank you very much for the pretty picture book you gave me. Sam asked me to show him the pictures and I showed him all the pictures in it; and I read to him how the tame elephant took care of the master's little boy and put him on his back and would not let anybody touch his master's little son. I can read three or four pages sometimes without missing a word. Ma says I may go to see you and stay all day with you next week if it be not rainy. She says I may ride my pony Hero if Uncle Ben will go with me and lead Hero. I have a little piece of poetry about the picture book you gave me, but I musn't tell you who wrote the poetry:

G. W.'s compliments to R. H. L.
And likes his book full well,
Henceforth will count him his friend,
And hopes many happy days he may end
Your good friend,
GEORGE WASHINGTON.

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