

from Mrs. Britannia to stop his tricks with Mrs. Dominion's children. This brought things to a crisis, and Bunsy and Sandy, being for a time left to their better judgment, at last consented to join hands with their brothers and pay proper respect to their mother, which all good boys ought to do. The first of July was therefore set apart for a grand family union, and when that day arrived Bunsy and Sandy put on their good clothes and set out for their mother's house, where Willie and Johnny were already waiting to receive them. It had been agreed that the two elder boys should give their younger brothers a certain portion of the good things which they had been in the habit of receiving from their mother, as an equivalent for certain comforts which Bunsy and Sandy were bringing to the family circle. This arrangement appeared so satisfactory to all parties that there was every reason to believe that Mrs. Dominion's troubles were at an end, and that her boys would unite in making her home a comfortable and happy one in the future.

The 1st of July was a great day for the now happy widow. She decked her house with garlands and flowers to make it pleasant for the reception of her boys, and as she sat at the head of her table and heard her sons pledging all sorts of brotherly love towards each other, her kind, good heart swelled with pride, and for the moment she forgot all the inconsiderate conduct of Mrs. Britannia towards her, and even went so far as to express a regret that Uncle Samuel was not there to join in their reunion.

That wily old fellow was not far off, for he was actually