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Old Lady—"Gracious! Fancy your watch striking as loud as that!"

The peevish one at the corner table summoned his waiter and to him addressed this novel inquiry:

"Waiter, have you ever been to the Zoo?"

"Why, sir, do you ask?" returned the astonished servitor.

"I repeat," demanded the peevish one, "Have you ever visited the Zoo?"

"Well, no, sir."

"You ought to go," growled the peevish one. "You'd enjoy seeing the tortoises whiz past!"

One evening as Pauline's mother was putting her to bed, she said:

"Now, go right to sleep, dear. Don't be afraid, for God's angels are watching over you."

Shortly after, while the mother and father were reading in the library, the child called to her mother.

"Yes, dear," replied the mother, "what is it?"

"God's angels are buzzing around just awful, mother," cried the little girl, "and one of 'em bitten me!"

Donald was leaving his native village for parts unknown. Sandy, his friend, invited all the friends and neighbors to his home to give Donald a royal send-off. As is customary at these gatherings, liquid refreshments were served without stint.

About nine o'clock Sandy noticed Donald going round bidding the guests goodbye. "Your no goin' yet, Donald?" he said in surprise.

"Na, I'm no goin' yet," answered Donald, "but I thocht I'd bid 'em a' goodbye while I knew 'em."

Two ladies, whose husbands are members of the faculty of Oberlin College, went to call on the new professor's wife. They were shown into a room where the small daughter of the house was playing. While waiting the appearance of their hostess, one of the ladies remarked to her friend, at the same time nodding toward the little girl, "Not very p-r-e-t-y, is she?" spelling the word so that the child should not understand.

Instantly, before there was time for the friend to reply, came the answer from the little girl, "No, not very p-r-e-t-y, but awfully s-m-a-r-t."

Little Elsie, aged five, was quietly playing on the porch one afternoon, while her father and one of his friends were enjoying a smoke and having a chat on political matters. They paid no attention to the little girl's presence, and Elsie seemed wholly absorbed in her dolls.

That evening Elsie appeared to be unusually silent and thoughtful. When bedtime came and she knelt down to say her prayers there came the usual petitions, and then, with a slight pause, she resumed in a very earnest manner:

"And now, God, please take good care of Yourself, for if anything should happen to You, we should only have Mr. Wilson—and he hasn't come up to father's expectations."

NURSIE KNEW.

Former President Taft tells this one on himself:

"There is a lad of my acquaintance in New Haven," said Mr. Taft, "who used to bite his nails. 'See here,' said his nurse to him one day, 'if you keep biting your nails like that, do you know what will happen to you?'"

"No," said the youngster. "What?"

"You'll swell up like a balloon and burst."

The boy believed his nurse. He stopped biting his nails at once. About a month after the discontinuance of his habit he encountered me at luncheon. He surveyed me with stern disapproval. Then he walked over and said to me accusingly:

"You bite your nails?"

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