

NATURAL HEALER

“ ‘Busy, are you?’ asked Bowser.

“ ‘Yes, very busy. What’s the matter?’

“ ‘Oh, nothing; nothing much. Only I thought you might care to know that poor little Geordie Collins has passed away.’

“ ‘Dead?’

“ ‘Dead. He dropped right over out by the pump just after eating some damson plums, and life was extinct before I could get to him.’

“ ‘Is the boy really dead?’ I asked.