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AN ELEPHANT FISHING.

MAJOR DALY, an English officer in India, had a war elephant, which was as kind and gentle when at the Major's home as it was trusty and courageous in battle. Sourprany, this was the elephant's name, was devotedly attached to the officer's two children, and once saved them from being killed by an elephant which had gone mad. As the latter was rushing toward the children to trample them to death, Soup, as he was generally called, dashed between him and the children and gave him battle. It was a fierce fight, but it ended in the death of the mad animal. After this, Soup was more devoted to the children than ever, and they were much attached to their kind protector. The Major preferred to have his children under the care of this watchful and devoted animal, rather than under the care of heathen servants, and they were constant companions. Soup was particularly fond of going with the children to fish in the Ganges, and he caught more fish than they did. They baited his hook and took off the fish which the patient and sagacious animal caught.

ABOUT GETTING UP IN THE MORNING.

THERE are two things that all the boys and girls are fully agreed upon. One is, that bedtimes always comes too soon, and

and as for dressing, it is a labour that is appalling.

The way to get up in the morning is just to do it promptly. The moment you are called, decide at once to rise. Do not wait till mother's gentle voice is tired, and sister Lucy has determined not to call you again, and father comes to the foot of the stairs, and calls very seriously, "William!" "Rebecca!" and you feel that you must rise in a hurry. Do not put off getting up until you can hardly take time to match buttons and hooks, and you cannot find which string belong to each other, and suspenders snap, and buttons fly off boots, and things are generally crooked.

When first you rise, let your thoughts go to God in thankfulness that you are alive and well and ready to begin another day. Then wash from head to foot, with a sponge and cold water, and dry yourselves with a rough crash towel, or take a rub with a stiff flesh-brush. You will feel quite warm and glowing after this exercise, which is the better for being rapidly performed. Dress so neatly and entirely, to the last touch of shoe polish and the last flourish of the hair-brush, that you need think

no more about your dress at all. Be sure to attend to your teeth. They are good servants, and have so much work to do that they deserve to be carefully looked after

Be a pattern to others, then all will go well.



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"How many ends has a stick of candy got?" asked Billy Smartboy of his father. "Two, of course." "That's where you are mistaken. I have bitten three or four ends off this stick of candy, and there are two left yet."

the other, that Bridget rings the rising-bell shamefully early. Getting up in the morning is a great trial to many of us. We feel so rested and comfortable, and yet so uncommonly sleepy. It seems as though our eyes would never come really wide open,