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## Children's Department.

### MOTHER'S STORY.

Six children in the nursery were having a warm discussion, and mother, coming in quietly, listened a while without saying anything, and before they noticed that she was there.

"I don't care!" said Teddy, the oldest one. "I think it's worse even to know how a thing happened, and pretend you don't; for then you're kind of lying, and kind of sneaking, and that's two things!"

"But if no one thinks about it," said Don.

"Walk up and take your medicine, and tell about it, even if they think it was the dog did it!"

"Ugh, huh," said Polly, a little thickly, owing to a long stick of peppermint candy, one end of which was in her mouth. "I think so, too, and I thought we all did."

"We do," said five voices at once. Only Don shook his head; he hated to be blamed for things.

"Once, a long time ago," began mother, sitting down; and five children instantly came around her chair, while Dummy Dee climbed in her lap, "a little girl went to visit her grandfather, who was a very stately old gentleman, indeed, and who had been a general in the army. So this little girl, whose name was Mary Noble, was very greatly admired, but was a little afraid of her grandfather.

"He was very kind to her, though, and the morning after she came he took her down into the most beautiful old orchard, where the peaches and pears were ripe, and said: 'Now,

Mary Noble, these peaches and pears are very ripe, and you can pick some from any tree you wish, but this little one, has only one peach on it, and I am letting it get ripe because the tree is a new kind, and I want to taste one when it is perfect.'

"Then he went away, and Mary Noble—who ought to have been named Eve—looked and looked at that little tree, and it seemed as though she did not care at all for any peaches but the one on the little tree, and now—I am very much ashamed to tell you about it—but she thought how her grandfather had asked her not to pick it, so she climbed up and ate it off the stone, and left the stone hanging there!

"But, like her mother Eve, after that nothing was right, and she was most unhappy.

"I've got to tell my General grandfather," she said, turning pale, 'and probably he will never speak to me again.' The very thought made her cry, so she knelt down under the tree a minute, and then she went back very slowly to the house, where her grandfather was walking up and down on the porch, looking taller and more stately than ever.

"Mary Noble leaned against the lower step, feeling very weak.

"Well, dear!" said grandfather, 'how did you like the peaches?'

"I ate one off from the stone on the tree you told me not to," said Mary Noble, in a little way-off voice.

"Her grandfather stopped, and she felt him looking at her, though her eyes were shut, and she could not see the tears in his eyes, nor the smile under his moustache.

"But while she waited her doom, he stepped down, and took her up and kissed her. 'Ah, little Eve, the test was hard, but I am glad you told—very, very glad,' he said.

"Then Mary Noble opened her eyes, and looked into her grandfather's kind ones, and straightway forgot to be afraid of him any more.

"They sat together on the porch a long time, and grew very well acquainted. But General grandfather always called me Eve—"

"Mother!" cried six voices at once, "was it you?"

Then Don straightened up and set his lips tightly together.

"Excuse me a minute, mother, please," he said, "I have to go and explain about something next door." —Charlotte E. Chittenden, in *Young Churchman*.

### THE QUARRELSOME MONKEYS.

It was Tommy's sixth birthday, and he was having a birthday picnic in the park with half a dozen of his little friends. A picnic in the beautiful park was always a delight; and to-day there were favours, a birthday cake, and other things belonging to parties, besides.

Whenever the children tired of games, they went to watch the animals awhile. There was a bears' den, built of great stones, with a pole in the middle for the bears to climb; and there were wolves, foxes, wildcats, and a great many other

animals, besides the owls, and herons, the cranes, and storks. The deer, buffalo and ostriches had little parks of their own, fenced in with iron netting; and the prairie dogs were happy in their queer round temple, burrowing out of sight in the soft earth, or sitting up gravely on their hind legs to stare back at the children.

In the place of all others which the children enjoyed most was a large pavilion in which the parrots

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and monkeys lived. Here at one side were parrots of all kinds and sizes, with beautiful, brilliant plumage and loud, harsh voices. In the centre of the room was a circular tank, in which were a great many fishes, whose backs the children could touch as they went swimming by. The fishes were not at all afraid.

And last of all—monkeys! They always kept those to the last, did the children; for they were the most fun of all. Was ever anything more comical than a case of monkeys, swinging from perch to perch, playing tricks, climbing up the sides of their cage, chattering, scolding, eating, and looking around anxiously with their wrinkled faces, like very active little old men!

Tommy had just slipped a peanut into the outstretched hand of one of the monkeys, when a larger one swung himself head downward by his tail, snatched the peanut, and scampered up the side of the cage. The smaller monkey raced after him, scolding angrily; and a fierce quarrel began. In the excitement the peanut was dropped, and a third monkey, hunting through the sawdust for something to eat, found and ate it, smacking his lips with great enjoyment.

The quarrel grew louder and louder. Tommy tried to stop it by offering a whole handful of peanuts; but the monkeys were too angry to notice him. So he dropped the peanuts on the floor of the cage and turned away. And when they looked back from the door of the pavilion, the children saw the two monkeys still quarreling on the high shelf, and the third calmly eating the nuts, turning his head from side to side with quick, comical glances.

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