

# Happy Days

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## THE CRIPPLE

Poor girl! while others are running about at pleasure—jumping and romping, as if all life was made up of fun and frolic—she has to sit still, or hobble slowly and painfully about on crutches! We feel sorry for her. What a meek and gentle expression in her face! You can also see signs of suffering—the marks of pain in the placid, quiet countenance. We hope everybody is kind to her, and that all her young friends are considerate enough to do all they can to make her happy.

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## PUSSY.

Did you ever think why we call the cat "puss?"

A great many years ago the people of Egypt, who have many

idol gods, worshipped the cat. They thought she was like the moon because she was more active at night, and because her eyes changed just as the moon changes,



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which is sometimes full and sometimes only a little bright crescent, or half moon, as we say. Did you ever notice your pussy's eyes to see how they change?

cross, peevish way. Don't fret and grumble and talk back. Only cheerful obedience can be pleasing to God and man.

So these people made an idol with the cat's head and named it Pasht, the same name they gave to the moon; for the word means the "face of the moon"

That word has been changed to "pas" or "pus," and has come at last to be "puss," the name which almost every one gives to the cat. Puss and pussycat are pet names for Kitty everywhere. Whoever thought of it as given to her thousands of years ago, and that then people bowed down and prayed to her?

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## HOW TO OBEY.

Do it at once. Do just what you are told to do. Do not try to have your own way, even in part. Do it cheerfully. Do not go about it in a surly,