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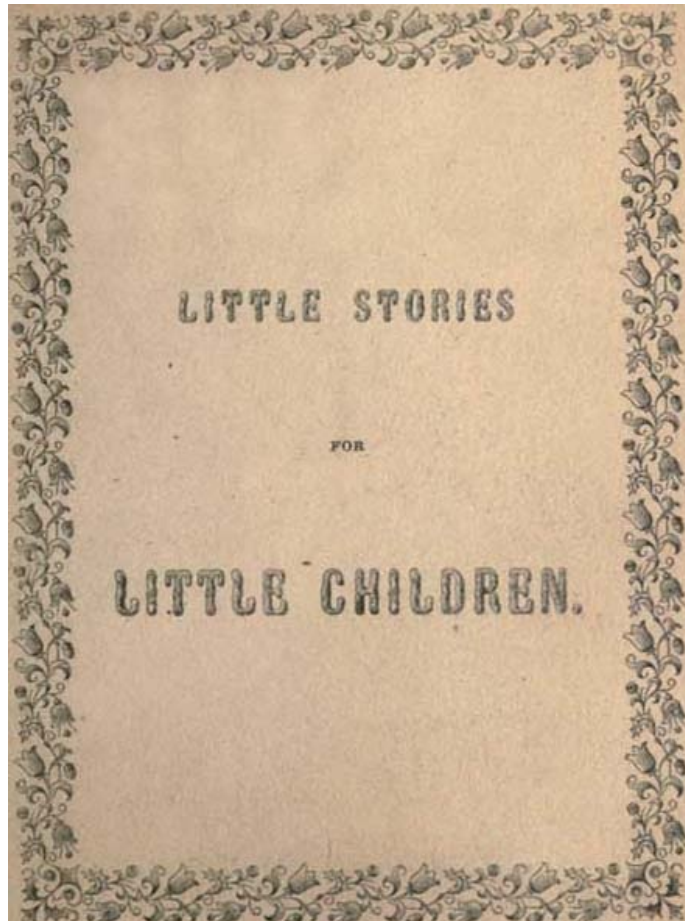
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JOHN WILSON.



John-ny Wil-son and Ned Brown were play-ing at ball one day, and the ball hit John on the hand: he was ve-ry an-gry, and ran af-ter Ned and beat him ve-ry hard. Just then, a man came by and gave John a box on the ear which made him let go of Ned, and he be-gan to cry. Then the man said, "You beat that lit-tle boy and for-get how you hurt him, but you do not like it your-self."

Then John was sor-ry, and said he would ne-ver do so any more; he shook hands with Ned, and he kept his word, and all who knew him lov-ed him.

JANE NORTH.



Jane North was an i-dle girl; she did not like her book, and when she was told to read her les-son she would cry, and say she want-ed to play with her doll. So her doll was tak-en from her till she had read; but she read ill, and would not learn to write. So she grew up a dunce, and no one lov-ed her.

MARY AND LUCY.



Had each a nice doll, and they took care of them. One day Tom called them to play at ball, and they ran a-way to play, and left the two dolls on a chair. By and by the cat came in the room, and pull-ed the dolls to pieces, think-ing I dare say, that it was fine fun to tear them to bits, and scam-per round the room with poor dol-ly's nose in her mouth.

When the girls came back, and saw the nice new dolls all in bits, they be-gan to cry, and to beat poor puss; but their mam-ma said, "No, you must not beat puss, for you left your dolls a-bout, and the cat did not know that they were not for her to play with. Next time you must be more care-ful of your toys."

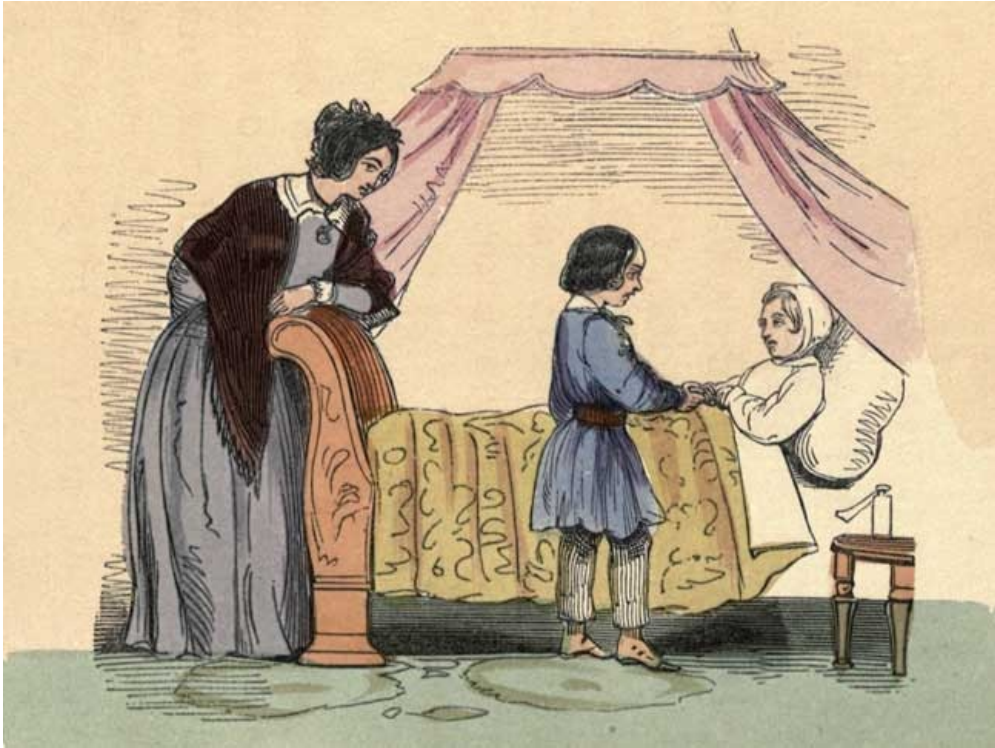
ANN SHARP.



Was a kind girl. One day she was out, and a poor girl came to her and said, "Give me some bread, I have had none to eat all day." So Ann said, "I have no bread, but here is six-pence that my mam-ma gave me, take it, and buy some bread."

The poor girl took it and said, "Oh! thank you, miss, I can now get some-thing to eat, and will take some to my poor dad-dy who is sick."

THE COAT.



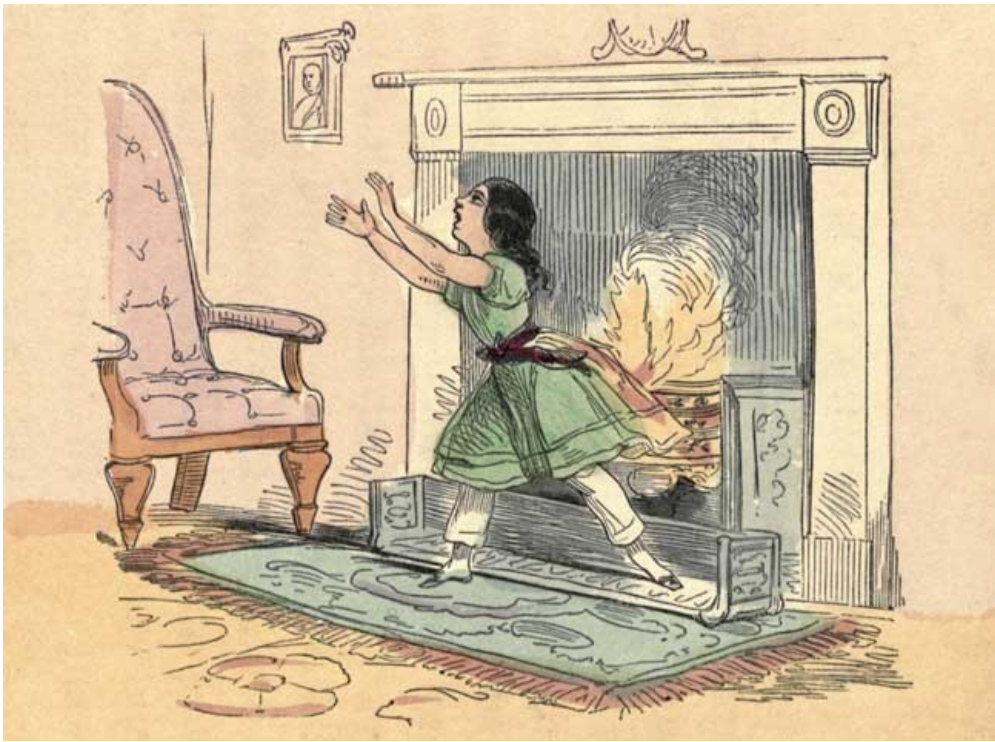
"Do not go out with-out your warm coat, Tom; it is a hard frost, and the snow lies thick on the ground, and you will catch cold, if you do, and then poor Tom will be ill."

"But I feel quite warm."

"Yes, you do now; but see what a large fire there is here, out of doors there is no fire, and the cold wind blows; and if you have no warm coat on, you will feel cold."

But Tom thought he knew best, so he went out with no coat on, and he caught a bad cold and cough, and he was put to bed quite ill. Now Jack and Will and Tom were to have had some fine sport on the frozen pond in the farm, but Tom was too ill to go. When he was in bed he thought how sil-ly he had been, to think he knew bet-ter than his kind friends; and then he said to him-self, he would try and do all that he was bid when he got well.

THE BURNT CHILD.



One day a child want-ed to reach some-thing off the man-tel shelf, and not be-ing tall e-nough, she stood on the fen-der, and her mo-ther said, "Fan-ny, you must not get on the fen-der, it will turn o-ver, and then you will fall in the fire and be sad-ly burnt."

But Fan-ny was not a good child, and did not al-ways do as she was bid: so when her mo-ther went out of the room, she want-ed to get her fa-ther's watch that lay on the man-tel shelf, and she stood on the fen-der to reach it, but the fen-der turn-ed o-ver, and Fan-ny fell in the hearth and her clothes took fire. She scream-ed loud-ly, but she was not heard for a lit-tle time, and when her mo-ther ran to her, all her clothes were in a blaze; she roll-ed the rug over to put out the flame and then car-ried her to bed.

Poor Fan-ny was sad-ly burnt, and it was a long time be-fore she was well, and she had a great many scars on her face and neck which never wore off.

GOOD ADVICE.



Jack did not love his book; he was i-dle, and was cross when he was sent to school, and one day when he ought to have gone, he play-ed a-bout the mea-dows in-stead; and he met Sam, who was go-ing to school, and he said, "Come and play with me, Sam, and we will have some fun."

"No," said Sam, "I must go and learn to read, or I shall be a dunce; so come with me, Jack, and then af-ter school is o-ver we will play."

"But it is so hard to learn," said Jack, "and I want to climb that tree to get a bird's nest."

"No, do not get a bird's nest, for it is cru-el," said Sam. "Come with me and try to earn the prize, come, Jack-y, to please me."

Jack then went to school, and he found that when he tried to learn, it was not very hard, and he could soon read pret-ty sto-ries, and won a nice prize.

TOM AND FRED.



"Tom, have a game at trap-bat-and-ball."—"I do not know how to play at it."—"Well I will teach you, look at me; that is the way, now do it your-self. That is right, you will soon learn to do it fast."—"Yes, it is not hard to learn: now let us go and have a race. One, two, three, and off!"

"Tom, you have won it."—"Yes, I run bet-ter than you; and you play trap-bat-and-ball bet-ter than I do."—"I am too hot to run any more, let us sit down and get cool."—"I am to have a seat put near this tree, should you like one too?" "Yes, but I have no wood to make one."—"Well, we will ask Dick to give you some wood; come now and ask him."

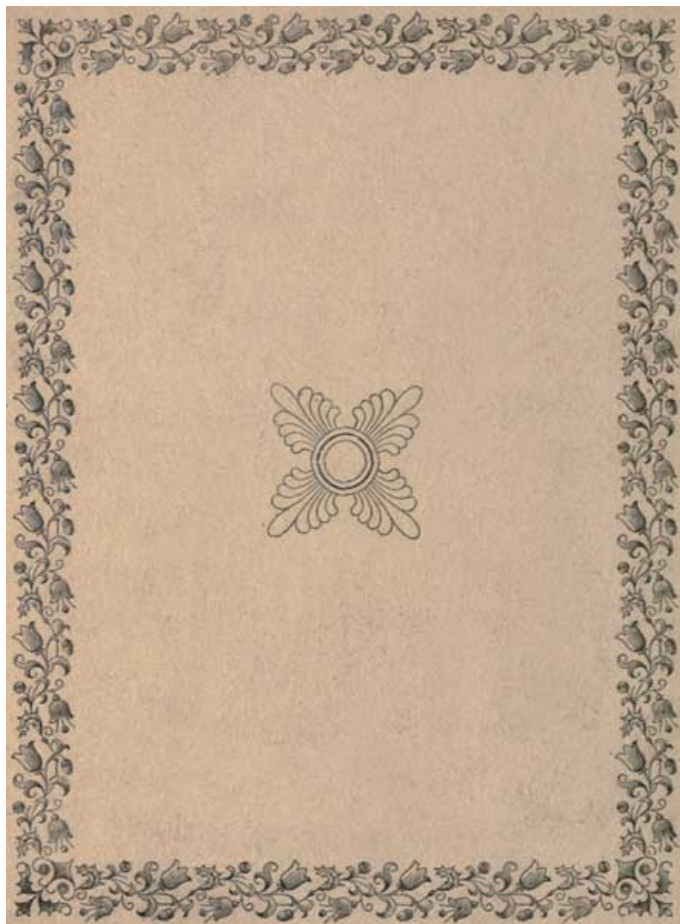
THE KIND SISTER.



“Come, dear Ann, sit down and sew a lit-tle.”—“Yes, mam-ma, shall I hem my frock?”—“Yes, do.”

Ann was a good child, and al-ways did as she was bid, and when she had done her work her mam-ma told her to play with her brother. Ann had a lit-tle gar-den of her own, and she had made an ar-bour in it. When she went to play she found her bro-ther cry-ing, for he had fall-en down, and broken her ar-bour to pieces. But Ann said, “You must not cry, dear, ne-ver mind break-ing the ar-bour, we will soon build it up.” So she kiss-ed him, and they work-ed till tea time and made a bet-ter ar-bour than be-fore. And Ann felt much more hap-py than she would have been had she scold-ed and been cross with poor lit-tle George.

THE END.



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