

Father (trying to read)—What's that terrible racket in the hall? Mother—One of the children just fell down the stairs. Father—Well, you tell the children if they can't fall down stairs quietly they'll have to stop it. —Chicago Daily News.

"May," said Mrs. Upjohn to her youngest, "you shock me with your rude behavior. You are a perfect tomboy. Why can't you be like your little playmate, Lelia Green? She is gentle, soft voiced, well behaved and always lady-like." "Yes," said May, "but so's her mother."—Ex.

When Tolstoi was preparing to write "Resurrection" he frequented the criminal courts of Moscow and St. Petersburg. He tells in a letter to an American friend how a bigamist appeared one day before a Moscow judge. This man had married seven wives in three years. This he himself admitted.

"Why on earth," the judge asked, "did you want to marry so many times?"

"In order, sir," he replied, "to find a good one, if possible."—New York Tribune.

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