

Little Stories for Bedtime

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Chatterer Is Served Just Right.

Some people poke their noses in where they've no right to be. If they get hurt it serves them right. I'm sure you'll agree with me.

Chatterer the Red Squirrel didn't get hurt exactly, but he received a great fright and disappointment, and I'm sure that you will agree with me that this was no more than he deserved. You see, he had no business there, anyway. It all came about through being chased to the Green Forest by Bumble the Bee. It was a joke on the part of Bumble, but Chatterer wasn't sure of this and didn't dare stop to find out lest he should feel that snarling lance Bumble always has with him. So he had run until all out of breath and temper, he had reached the Green Forest. There Bumble left him and returned to the sweet flowers of the Green Meadows.



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ing to get their dinner. No sooner were they out of sight than Chatterer was scampering for the tree. He was so sure he could go, and all the time he was chuckling wickedly as he thought of those unguarded eggs.

Up the tree he scrambled and around to the hole where he had seen Cresty go in and come out. Just as he almost reached it something hanging from it caught his eye. It moved. Chatterer gasped. "Oh, dear, what a narrow escape!" That was the tail of Mr. Blacksnake hanging out of that hole. If I hadn't seen that just when I did I should have run right into his very mouth.

And all the time Mr. Blacksnake was far away. It was only the tail of his old coat which Cresty and his wife had used in their nest, and which swung in the wind just outside the doorway, that had given Chatterer such a fright and so had saved the eggs of which Cresty and Mrs. Cresty were so proud.

"What a feast I will have!" thought he in great glee. "I just love fresh eggs, and I am sure that there are fresh eggs there by the way Cresty said. I'll just wait until he and his wife go out for their dinner, and then I'll pay them home a little visit. I prefer not to find them at home when I am here. Which shows that Chatterer is somewhat of a coward, as is almost always the case with those who do mean things."

Chatterer watched and watched, all the time taking the greatest care to keep out of sight himself. At last he saw Mr. and Mrs. Cresty leave the tree where the hole was, and he was so sure the way they acted that they were going to get their dinner.

WHAT EVERY MOTHER WANTS TO KNOW

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Cold chicken had best be boiled and moulded in the water in which it is boiled, though great care must be taken not to use too much water. If by any mischance it is not stiff enough to jelly, gelatine can be added to the liquor in which it was boiled.

Veal will also jelly in the water it was boiled in. Boil a knuckle of veal in two quarts of water until the meat falls from the bone and then reduce by boiling the liquor to one quart. The meat can then be moulded with hard-boiled eggs cut in slices, and if the mould is to be very decorative the layers can be put in separately, allowing the jelly to set before putting in the next layer.

Any cold fish can be jelled in the following recipe: Yolks of two eggs, one half tablespoon of salt, one and one half tablespoons of melted butter, one half tablespoon of flour, two tablespoons of water, one and one half tablespoons of sugar, three quarters of a cup of milk, one quarter of a cup of vinegar, one teaspoon of mustard.

Cook over boiling water until it thickens and then add one and three quarters of a tablespoon of gelatine, soaked in cold water and put in the fish.

PERSONAL MENTION

Dr. James Withycombe, Republican candidate for governor, is a guest at the Imperial.

Will E. Purdy, of Newberg, independent candidate for governor, is staying at the Cornelia.

H. E. Lippman and Dean A. Baldwin, insurance men from Seattle, are guests at the Oregon.

C. S. Hudson and wife, of Bend, are guests at the Benson. Mr. Hudson is cashier of the First National bank of Bend.

J. Scofield Rowe, vice president of the Astoria Insurance company at Hartford, Conn., is at the Multnomah.

George W. Sanborn, a salmon packer of Astoria, is a guest at the Benson.

J. Buchanan, who has charge of the grounds of Sam Hill's country place at Marvill, Wash., is at the Oregon.

David B. Hill, of Pendleton, is registered at the Benson.

Dr. J. G. A. Henry, of Los Angeles, who is supply Dr. Hinson's pupil at the White Temple, returned to the Cornelia this morning after a few days' visit in Seattle.

Isabel Lulau, milliner of Vancouver, B. C., is at the Oregon for buyers' week.

F. W. Conn and wife, of Walla Walla, are guests at the Benson.

Peter Conacher and wife, of Yacolt, are at the Multnomah. Mr. Conacher is a lumberman.

T. Warren Allen, of Washington, D. C., is a guest at the Imperial. Mr. Allen is in the government service.

Dr. John Waugh, of Hood River, is stopping at the Cornelia.

Dr. J. M. Ilwaco, of Ilwaco, the man who introduced cranberry culture in this part of the country, is at the Imperial.

J. E. Moreland, of Salem, clerk of the supreme court, and his son, E. W. Moreland, of the state railroad commission, are guests at the Cornelia.

J. E. Hagerly and family, of Columbus, Ohio, are guests at the Multnomah.

A. N. Orcutt, of Roseburg, is registered at the Cornelia.

Clark W. Thompson, a sawmill man of Cascade Locks, is a guest at the Multnomah.

Cabinet Plans for Citizens in Europe

Diplomats to be Instructed to Use Neutral Steamship Whenever Possible

Washington, Aug. 8.—Plans to relieve Americans stranded in Europe were discussed today by Secretaries Bryan, McAdoo, Daniels and Garrison.

It was decided to instruct diplomats to use neutral steamship lines, wherever possible, to send Americans home.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo reported that the financial needs of Americans abroad will be amply provided for when the cruisers Tennessee and North Carolina arrive.

Advices received here today indicated that hundreds of American teachers are marooned abroad. Those in Germany are being held.

At six months. This second set of clothes may be a little more elaborate than the first layette, with cap, long-sleeved shirt, long-sleeved petticoats, bonnet and embroidery edging on neck and sleeves. Cases of eczema have been traced to the use of trial clothes, which chafed the skin and invited infection. Make all garments, slips, skirts and bands to hang from the shoulder.

10.—Does a baby need a veil when outdoors?

Veils are little used and are not considered hygienic. If the baby's eyes are properly protected from the direct rays of the sun, and if the top of the carriage is so adjusted as to protect him from a direct draught, the veil is unnecessary and a source of discomfort to the baby.

11.—How should a young baby be dressed at night?

In a diaper, bellyband and nightgown. In cold weather, have ample covering and protect the bed from draught. In summer, do not have heavy covering, but remember that toward morning, when the use of trial clothes is necessary, the baby should be dressed in a light, airy garment.

12.—How can I keep my baby's socks on?

He has been so active from birth. You can substitute long stockings for socks, and pin them to the diaper, or better still, you can make petticoats, nightgowns and the little cotton ones, in two pieces, back and front, with the back longer than the front, and finished with a square flap, like an envelope. This is turned up and over the front of the garment and fastened.

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