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There was a little nigger girl  
With face as black as coal,  
And many a little woolly curl  
She grew upon her poll.

Her teeth were white  
as driven snow,  
Her eyes were liquid drops, see?  
In fair Kentucky did she "grow"  
Her Christian name was Topsy.

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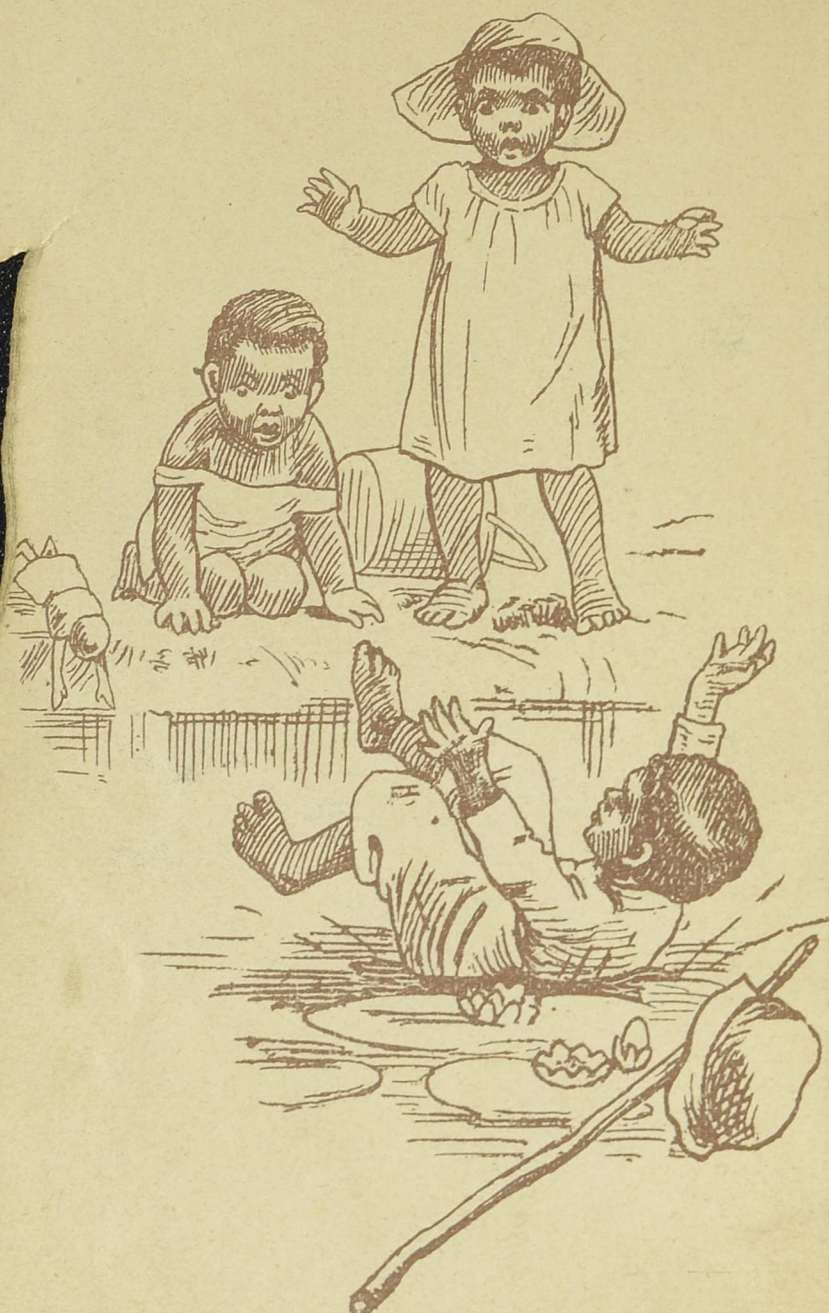


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## THE DISASTER.

But that poor little figure, that coal  
black nigger  
If a whale 'twas never could tell,  
For oh! 'ere he saw it, or could to  
land draw it,  
Splash into the  
water he fell.

In a terrible fright  
at his horrible plight,





His sister cried "Jim you'll be drowned",  
But she and small Tom tugged, together  
they Jim lugged  
And brought him once  
more on to ground.



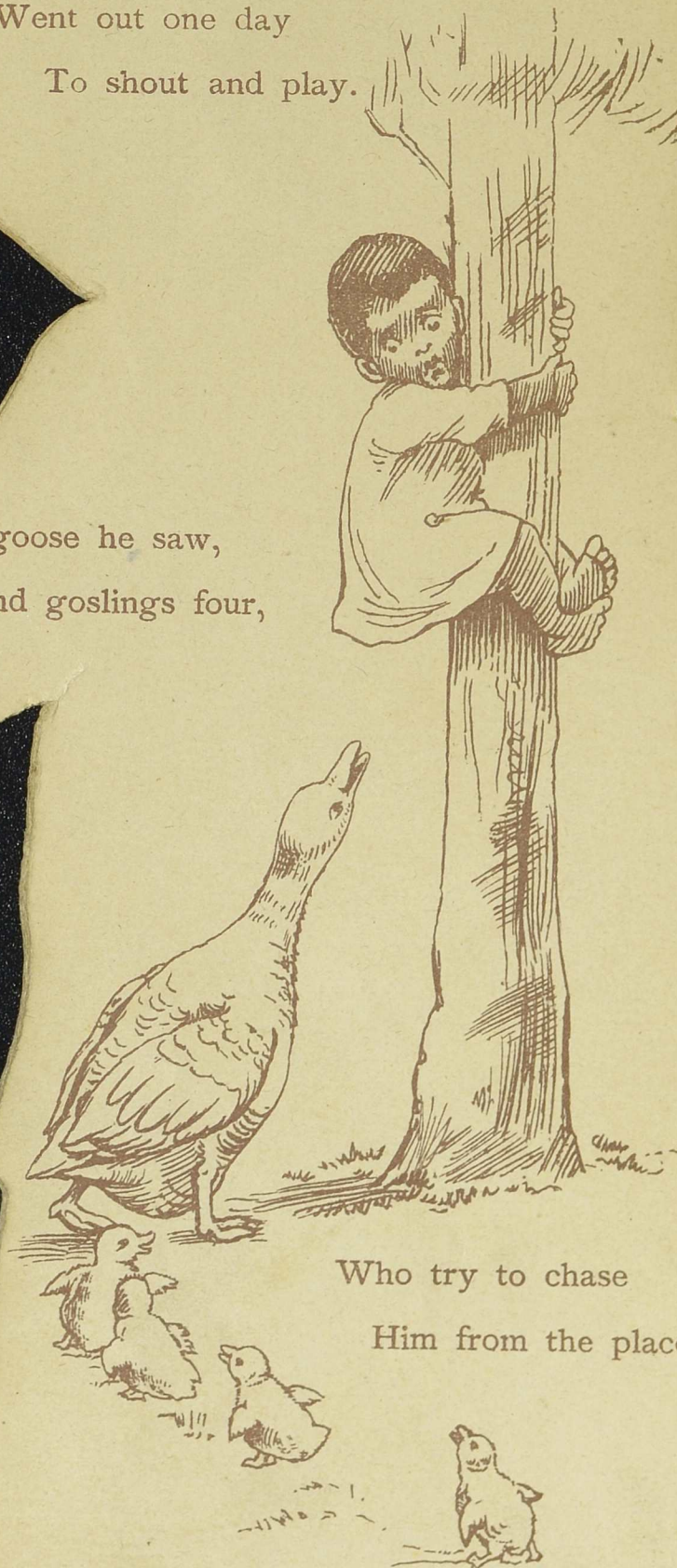
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THE LITTLE DARKIES' DERBY DAY.

A blacky boy,  
His mother's joy,  
Went out one day  
To shout and play.

A goose he saw,  
And goslings four,



Who try to chase  
Him from the place.

And in a tree,  
In haste climbed he.

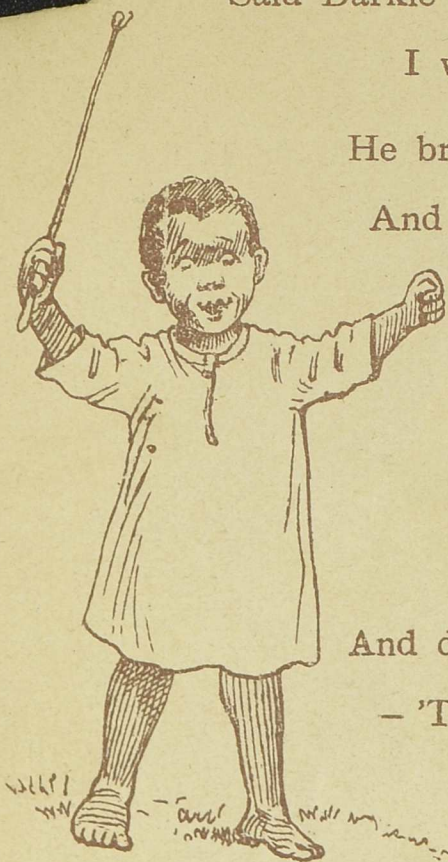
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He cried "oh, oh,  
Don't bite my toe!"

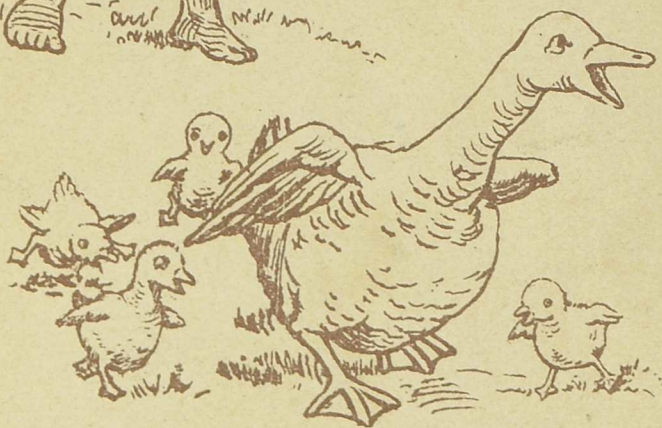
The goose said "feet  
Aren't good to eat,  
But you can stay  
Up there all day,  
We don't like boys  
Who make a noise."

Said Darkie "no,  
I won't stay so."

He broke a thick  
And splendid stick



And down he came, —  
— 'Twas quite a game



To see them run  
Was such good fun!





BLACK AND WHITE.

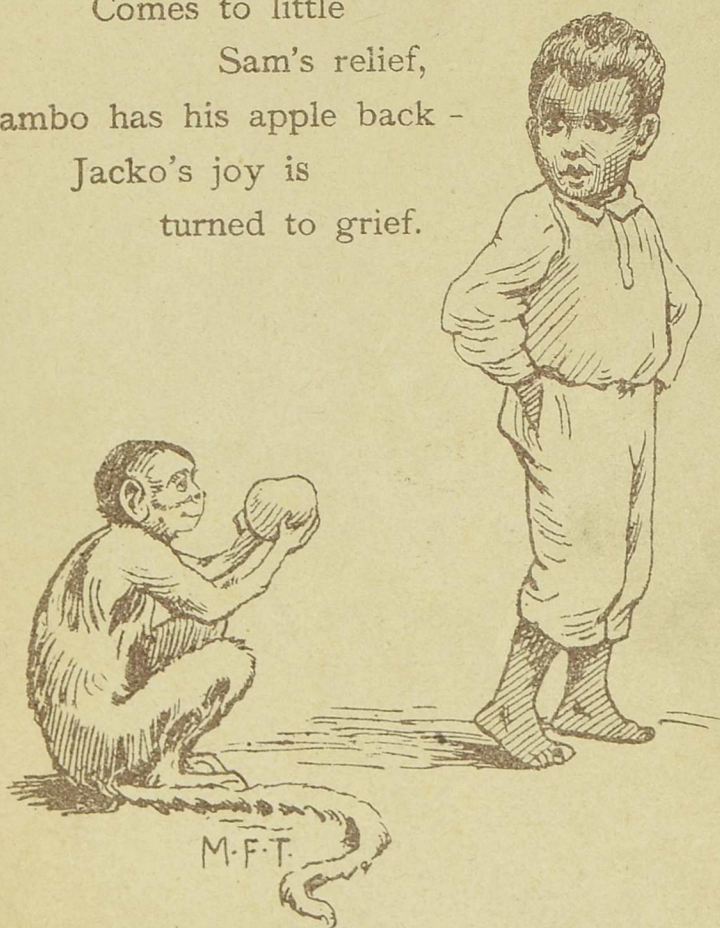
## SWEET ORANGES.

"Come buy my oranges, large and sweet,  
I've roamed all day up and down the street,  
Come try, little missie,  
just taste and try,  
If you taste I am sure  
you at once will buy."

## JACKO AND SAMBO.

Jacko steals poor Sambo's apple.  
Jacko is a naughty thief!  
Jacko is delighted - very!  
Jacko's happiness is brief

Sambo's mother walking by  
Comes to little  
Sam's relief,  
Sambo has his apple back -  
Jacko's joy is  
turned to grief.



## THE LITTLE TEACHER.

If you're in the land of small black - a -  
moors,  
You'll find that they mostly live out of  
doors,  
They tumble about on  
the ground all day,  
And very few lessons  
they care to say.

But here is the good little Topsy look  
She's teaching her dolly out of a book,  
We can't tell quite what the lesson may be  
Perhaps it's the black-a-moors' "A, B, C."

Grace C. Floyd.



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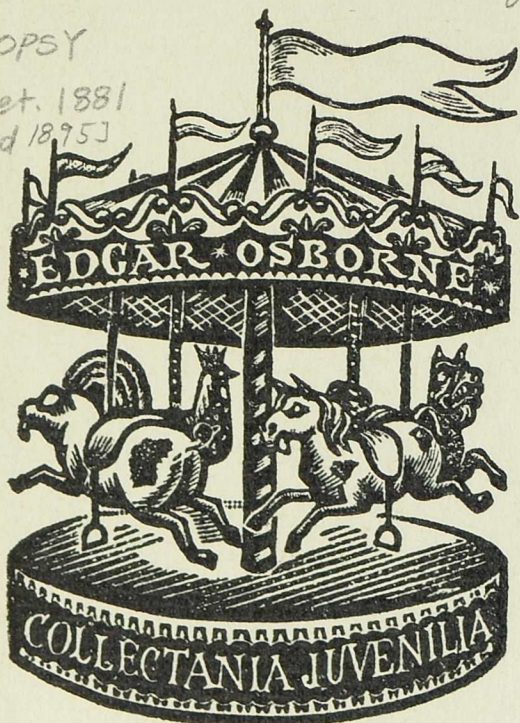
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