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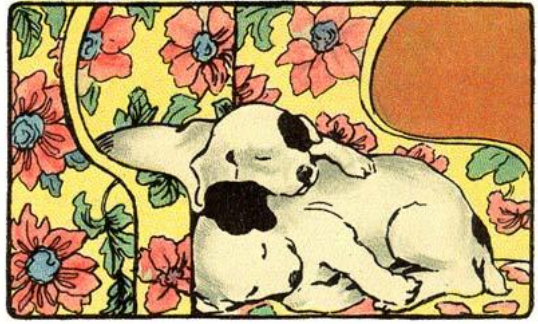


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WERE DRAWN FOR A GOOD  
LITTLE CHILD NAMED

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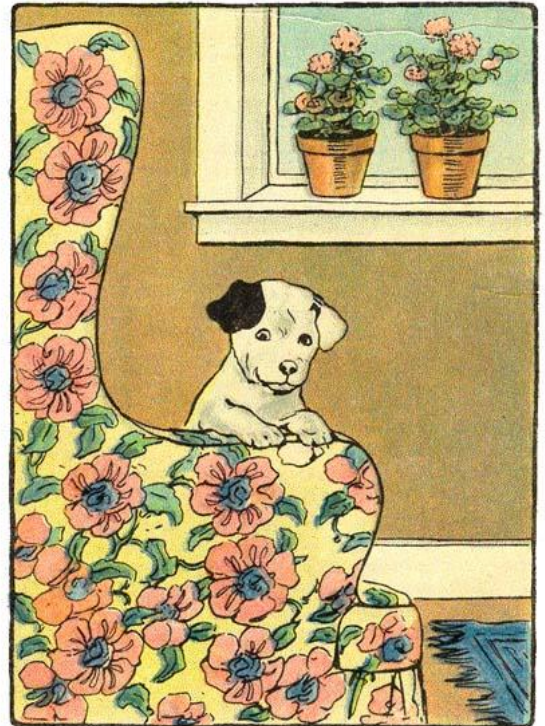


FOX TERRIER DOGS were Snip  
and Snap  
Who lay asleep one day  
Curled up together in a chair,  
Both tired out from play.

  
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Fast, fast asleep the two dogs were,  
The day was warm and still,  
When Snap waked up with such a  
start—  
He heard a whistle shrill.

“Come, Snip,” cried Snap, “you lazy  
dog,  
Don’t lie asleep all day,  
I heard a whistle, shrill and clear,  
Somebody wants to play.”



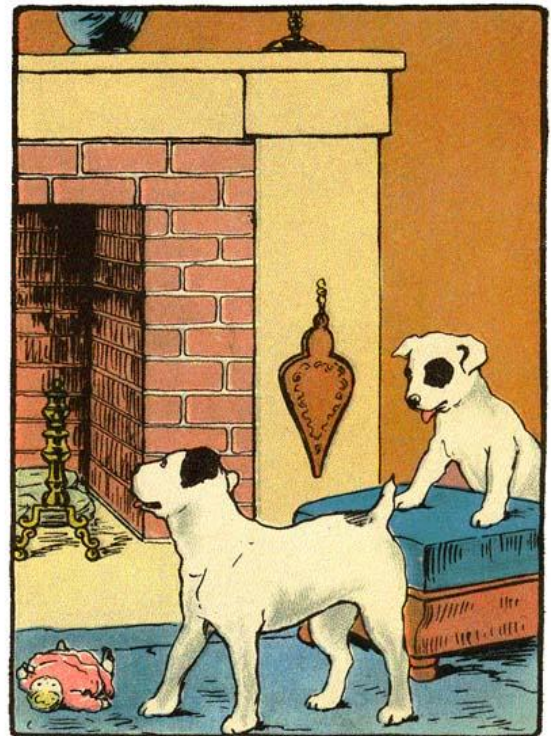
And once again they heard the sound  
As plain as it could be,  
But not a person was around  
As far as they could see.

Then they lay down to sleep again,  
When they heard some one cry:  
"Come, Snip, come, Snap"—their  
Master's voice,  
And both dogs said: "Ki-yi."

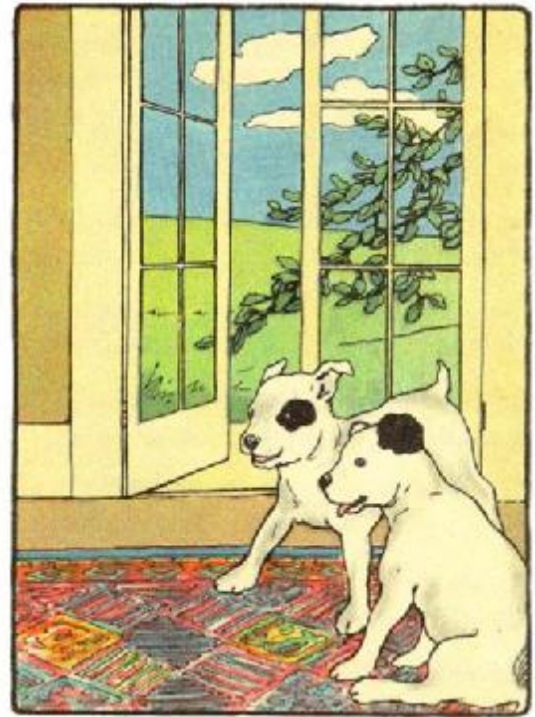
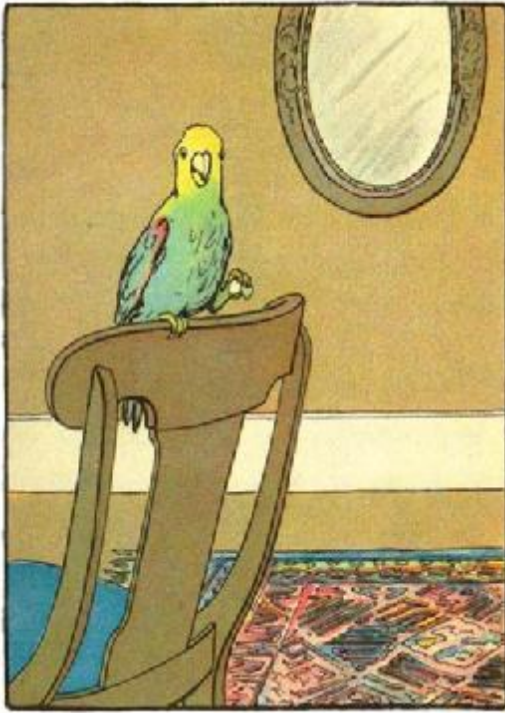


They tumbled down from off the chair  
Glad of a chance to play,  
But not a single soul was there  
Who could have called that way.

And then they looked about the house  
And found nobody there  
But Polly Parrot, half asleep,  
Perched high up on a chair.

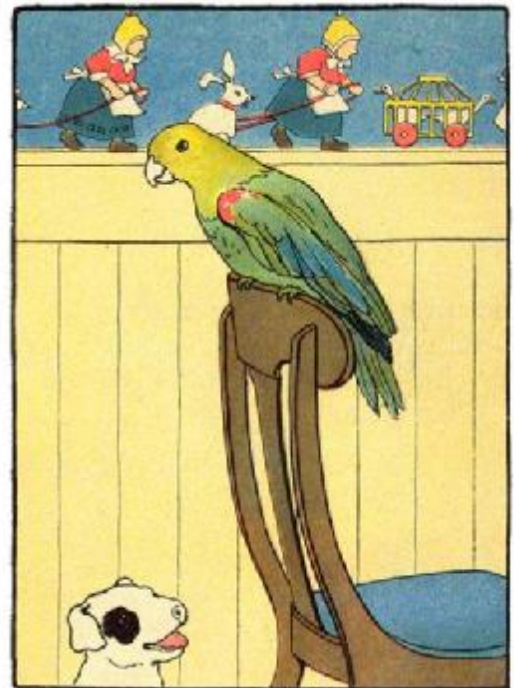






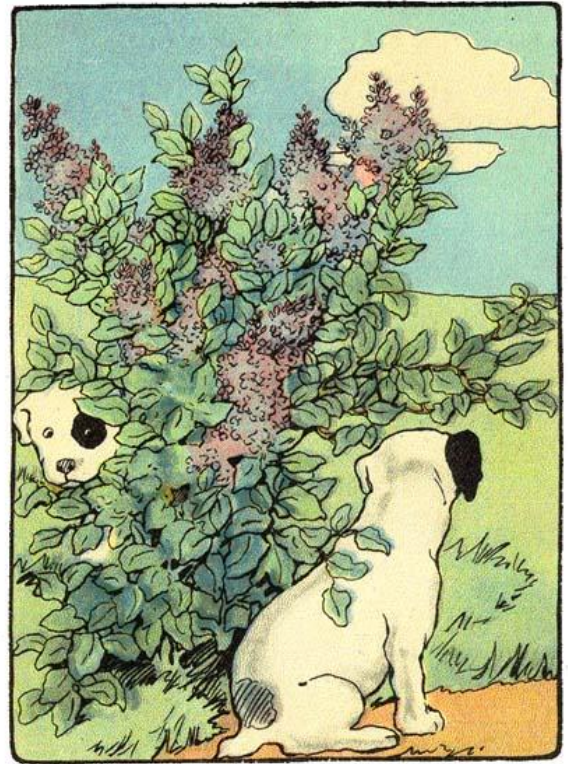
"Oh, ho," cried Snap, "I see it now—  
Look, Snip—look there and see."  
For Polly Parrot blinked and blinked  
As solemn as could be.

"Come down and play" said Snap to  
Poll,  
"We two will show you how."  
"Excuse me," Polly Parrot said,  
"I'm very happy *now*."



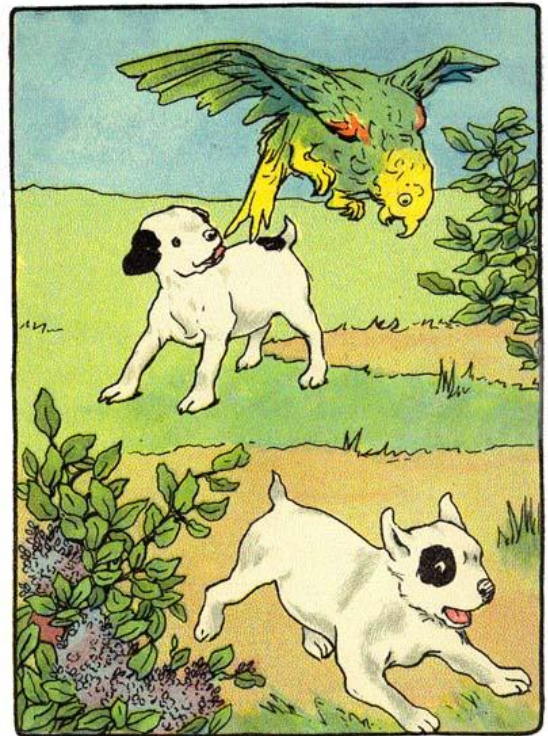
"Aha," cried Snap to Snip, "I know  
Who waked us up that way,  
We'll have a little fun with him  
Before the close of day."

So down beneath a lilac bush,  
As still as they could be,  
Hid Snip and Snap, and for an hour  
They waited patiently.



"I think I'll take my daily stroll,"  
Said Polly from the chair,  
"Those silly dogs I whistled at  
Have gone to play somewhere."

But when he passed the lilac bush  
The dogs sprang out—Ah me!  
And such a dog-and-parrot-fight  
I hope you'll never see.





"Ouch, ouch!" cried Snip. "Ki-yi!"  
howled Snap,  
And Polly screamed with fright,  
And hair and feathers filled the air,  
And bark and peck and bite.

What might have been the end of it  
I really cannot say,  
For out the maid came with a broom  
And drove the dogs away.



That evening Poll cried: "Sorry Poll!"  
As the two dogs passed by,  
And Snip and Snap apologized  
By barking: "Ki-yi-yi!"

And Snip and Snap and Polly, too,  
Are friends now for, you see,  
Each one has learned from peck and  
bite  
'Tis better far to be.

