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AN ANCIENT STORY
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THE OLD DAME
AND HER PIG
A LEGEND OF
OBSTINACY.

SHOWING HOW IT COST THE OLD LADY
A WORLD OF TROUBLE, & THE PIG HIS TAIL.

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ONCE UPON A TIME AS AN OLD DAME WAS SWEEPING
HER HOUSE SHE FOUND A CROOKED SIXPENCE

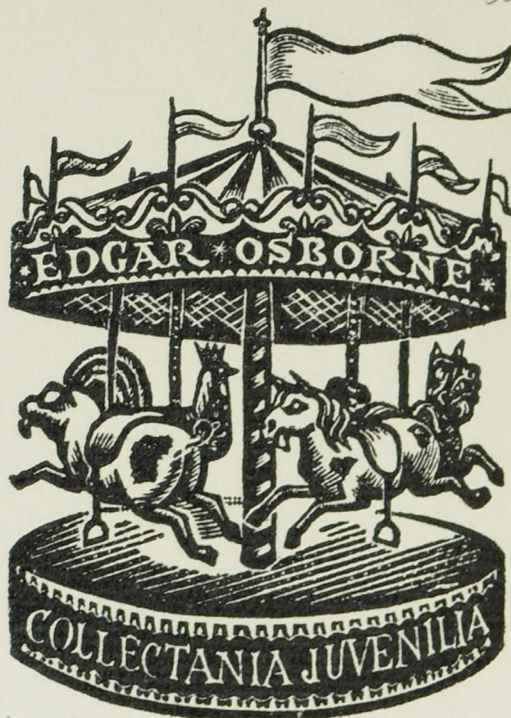


WITH WHICH SHE DETERMINED TO GO TO MARKET



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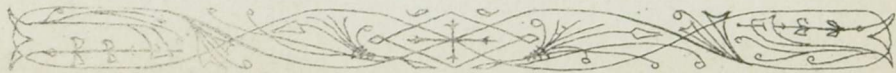
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AND BUY A LITTLE PIC.





IN COMING HOME SHE GOT TO A STILE WHICH PICCY WOULD NOT GET OVER:
WHEN UP COMES A DOC, AND SHE SAID-DOC! DOC! BITE PIC; PIC WONT GO
OVER THE STILE & I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!





BUT THE DOG WOULD NOT, SO SHE SAID - TO HER STICK
STICK! STICK! BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIC; PIC
WONT GO OVER THE STILE AND I SHANT GET
HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS; O!



BUT THE STICK WOULD NOT SO SHE MADE
A FIRE AND SAID FIRE! FIRE! BURN STICK;
STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIG;
PIG WONT GO OVER THE STILE & I SHANT GET HOME
TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!





BUT THE FIRE WOULD NOT, SO SHE GOT SOME WATER, AND SAID - WATER! WATER! QUENCH FIRE; FIRE WONT BURN STICK; STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIC; PIC WONT GO OVER THE STILE AND I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!



BUT THE WATER WOULD' NOT, WHEN UP COMES
AN OX; AND SHE SAID, OX! OX! DRINK WATER;
WATER WONT QUENCH FIRE; FIRE WONT BURN
STICK; STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE
PIC; PIC WONT GO OVER THE STILE & I SHANT GET
HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS O!





BUT THE OX WOULD NOT, WHEN UP COMES A BUTCHER AND SHE SAID—BUTCHER! BUTCHER! KILL OX, OX WONT DRINK WATER, WATER WONT QUENCH FIRE: FIRE WONT BURN STICK: STICK WONT BEAT DOG; DOG WONT BITE PIC, PIC WONT GO OVER THE STILE, AND I SHANT GET HOME TO NIGHT TO BOIL MY APPLE DUMPLINGS; O! — AND HE ALSO REFUSED TO COMPLY.



SO SHE APPEALED TO A ROPE, A RAT, AND CAT, WITHOUT SUCCESS, UNTIL AT LAST, THE CAT BEGAN TO CATCH THE RAT THE RAT BEGAN TO GNAW THE ROPE, THE ROPE BEGAN TO HANG THE BUTCHER, THE BUTCHER BEGAN TO KILL THE OX, THE OX BEGAN TO DRINK THE WATER, THE WATER BEGAN TO QUENCH THE FIRE, THE FIRE BEGAN TO BURN THE STICK, THE STICK BEGAN TO BEAT THE DOG, THE DOG BEGAN TO BITE THE PIG, AND THE LITTLE PIG IN A FRIGHT LEAPT OVER THE STILE.







SO THE OLD DAME COT HOME THAT NIGHT
TO BOIL HER APPLE DUMPLINGS, O!



THUS ENDETH THE DIVERTING
STORY OF THE OLD WOMAN & HER PIG.

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