

They were so near that they could see among the throng on the bank the white faces of George's father and mother, looking stern and anxious. But so limp and white did the boys look, as they stepped ashore, that it was thought that they had been punished enough.

The crowd of boys shouted and cheered; and for weeks after they never tired of having Alex and George tell of their wonderful trip.—*The Holiday Magazine.*

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TUMBLINGS.

"Oh, Tom, come here and see these funny bugs! They're trying to roll a little ball, and they're doing it the queerest way you ever saw. Do come and look," called George White, who was spending his first summer in the country with his cousin Tom. "Just see! One of them climbs up on the top of the ball and pulls it along with his hind feet and the other stands on his head and kicks it. What do you suppose they are trying to do?"

"Oh, I don't know," replied Tom. "They're tumblebugs. I've often seen them. It's lots of fun to knock the ball away and see them run for it. Look now!" and Tom hit the round ball and sent it spinning several feet away, the poor bug on top hanging on for dear life. The other bug hurried quickly after his mate, evidently in great distress.

"My! how mad they are!" said George. "They don't sting or anything, do they?"

"Oh, no, goose! They won't hurt you," replied Tom, who put on a great many airs because he knew more about country life than George did.

After a great deal of difficulty, the queer bugs got things straightened out to their satisfaction and started once more on their difficult journey. Again Tom sent the ball flying, making the poor, shining, black beetles more distracted than ever.

"Do you know what is in that little brown ball, boys?" said a voice close beside them, and the boys looked up to see a wise-looking man who had evidently been watching them.

"I was just wondering," said George, "and wishing I knew why they care so much about it. It looks to me like nothing but manure."

"Yes, it is manure," he answered, "but it contains something very precious to them. If you had begun watching them sooner, you might have seen an egg deposited in the manure and watched them roll it up into this hard ball."

"But why do they make such hard work of rolling it?" asked George. "It would be lots easier if they would both get behind and push it with their feet."

"I've often wondered myself," replied the gentleman, "why these curious beetles make themselves so much unnecessary work, and wished that I could give them a few points. But no doubt they have some reason for their ways if we could only find it out."

"But why do they roll the ball, anyway?" persisted George. "What are they going to do with it?"

"If you watch them long enough, you will see them bury it in the ground, but why they roll it so far I'm sure I don't know. I've sometimes seen them roll it for two hours before they buried it. So you see they have to work hard enough without your making them any extra trouble," and he looked at Tom.

"I never supposed 'twas anything," said he, "or that it made any difference where it went."

"You'll find, my boy," was the reply, "that there's usually a reason for everything in nature, and you can learn a great deal by watching the bugs and birds and other creatures that you see every day about you."

"Does it take long for the egg to hatch?" asked George.

"Not very, and the manure with which it is surrounded furnishes food for the baby beetle, which soon finds itself strong enough to dig its way out, and before long is as big a tumblebug as his father," and the stranger passed on, while the boys continued to watch the beetles.

After they had pushed and tugged their burden over many hard places, one of them got right under it and began to burrow and dig, and pulled the ball after him till both beetle and ball were out of sight. It was some time before he came up again, so the boys judged that he had made the hole still deeper.

"I can't see why animals are so queer!" said Tom. "I could most always pick out better places than the birds do for their nests, and now these old tumblebugs have taken the worst place they could find to bury their egg."

"'Tis funny," returned George, "but I suppose we think so because we don't know their reasons. But wasn't it lucky that man happened to come along just then?"

"Mighty lucky for the tumblebugs! And now that I know how hard they have to work, I shan't bother them again."—*Martha C. Rankin, in Congregationalist.*

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