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"The little wilful Princess pulled off her beautiful, new, red-gold spangled boots."

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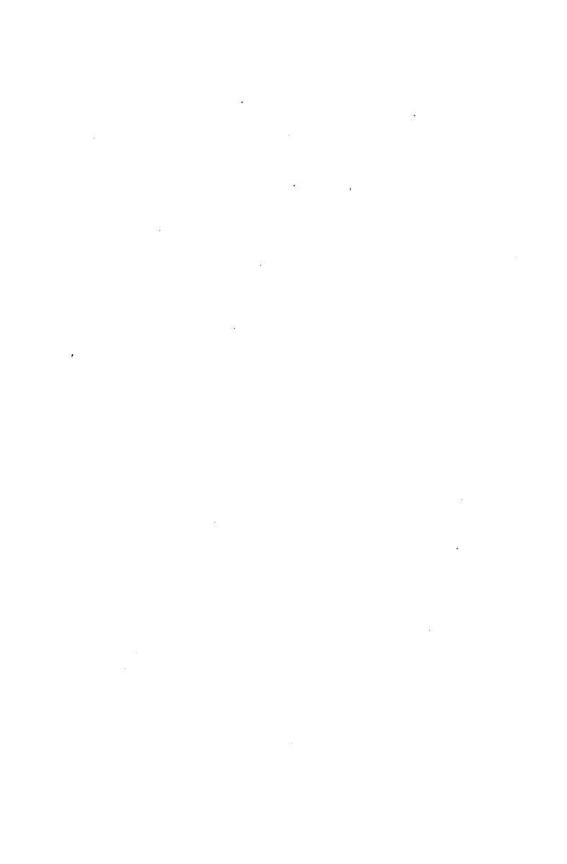


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#### CHAPTER I

THE king and queen were very worried over their little wilful princess. Ever since she was a baby she had been sadly wilful. At that early age she had cried for the moon, as we are told in many a story wilful babies do. Of course, when her royal papa and mamma could not get the moon for her, she was very dissatisfied and cried every night thereafter for a whole year.

At last the king, who had tried to console her with innumerable presents, bought from one of his faithful subjects a pet monkey, who was known to be a very wise little animal and very intelligent. In fact, he was so well educated that he could talk, and the peasant who had brought him up, assured the king that the monkey was much wiser than many of his subjects.

When the monkey was brought in to the little wilful princess the king and queen and all the courtiers held their breath, fearing that the little princess would say, as she had

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done a hundred times before: "No, I don't want this—I want the moon." But great was their delight, and great was the relief throughout the whole kingdom, when it was an-



nounced that the little wilful princess from the moment she had seen the monkey forgot all about the moon in the joy over her new possession. She hugged him to her with exclamations of delight, and the monkey seemed also quite satisfied with his new mistress. He sat up, after quietly