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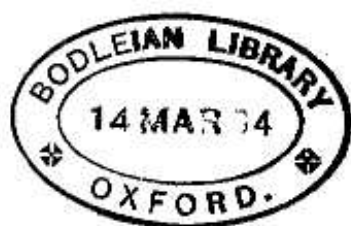
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# HAPPY LITTLE CHILDREN.


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## CHAPTER I.

### THE LITTLE BROWN MOUSE.

"The little dormouse is tawny red;  
He makes against winter a nice snug bed,  
And when all about him it freezes and snows,  
What is it to him, for he naught of it knows?"

MARY HOWITT.



HERE was a little girl, and her name was Fanny. She had a brother called Johnnie. Johnnie was two years older than Fanny. They were very happy little children. They could run and jump and play. They had a father and a mother who loved them dearly, and who taught them to be obedient and to love each other. And besides, they had an Aunt Mary, of whom they were very fond, for she was always merry and kind.

Every morning after breakfast these little chil-

dren brought their books and slates, and said their lessons to their mamma.

One morning, when they brought in their books as usual, they found their mother busy reading a letter. She did not at first notice their entrance, but when she did, she said with a smile, "My dears, you need not do any lessons this morning. I have good news for you. This letter is from your dear Aunt Mary. She is coming to us this morning to stay for a week; and I must now go and see that her room is prepared for her."

And Fanny at once said, "O mamma! how very glad I am. Can I do anything to help you?"

And her mamma replied, "Yes, Fanny, come with me, and put the pins into her pin-cushion, and place the towels on her towel-stand."

"And what can I do, mamma?" said Johnnie.

"Well, Johnnie, you can run to the garden," said his mother, "and cut some flowers to put into the tumbler in her room. You will find the flower-scissors and basket on the hall table."

So Johnnie ran away to cut some flowers for his dear Aunt Mary; and he was very glad to find one pretty rose-bud in his own garden, as well as some forget-me-nots and daisies.

And when the flowers were arranged, and the