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COUSIN JACK AND THE CHILDREN.



FOR LITTLE FOLK.

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TO THE CHILDREN.

"Cuddledown" sends her love to all the children who may read her Bunny Stories.

Let me tell you a secret :—

There are two Cuddledowns. One is the youngest bunny-child of these stories, and the other is a real, live, story-loving little girl whose "truly name" is

SHEILA MACKENZIE JEWETT.

Only a few years ago, when this little girl was about five years old, there were two real, live, snowy-white, tame bunnies, and she loved them very dearly.

One morning there were no gentle bunny friends waiting for fresh clover leaves in the bunny-house on the lawn. A terrible accident had happened during the night.

To comfort the child for the loss of the dear, harmless pets, these stories of the happy, home-sheltered Bunny family of Runwild Terrace were told her, over and over again.

Long before the stories were printed in the *St. Nicholas*, they were written out in her own scrap-book, as a keepsake of "the good times we had together" when Sheila was a wee bit of a pet herself and was called "Cuddledown" by the real "Mother Bunny" and

THE AUTHOR.

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