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STORIES ABOUT

CHILDREN OF ALL NATIONS

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EVERY CHILD CAN READ

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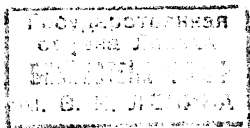


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PREFACE

WE shall find as we read the accounts of the life of young folk of various nations that boys and girls in distant countries amuse themselves in a manner not very different from our own methods; and that taking away the guilt of civilization, the brown-skinned lad is as fond of toys and of play as is his white-skinned rival. There are many lessons to be learned, as well as much amusement to be obtained, from stories of child-life. Some of us may think ourselves superior to the "strange children" whom we shall meet; but, in their obedience to parents and attention to set tasks and duties, we may find examples

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worth imitating, even in some of the so-called "savage" lands. Every nation has something to teach us.

In this book are collected a series of stories of children living in all parts of the globe—not only the boys and girls of England, Germany, France and other parts of Europe; not only the happy little ones of our own dear country and Canada, but also the children of the Turk, the "Fellah child," the Hindoo, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Malay, and the Filipino, Hawaiian, Porto Rican and all the new peoples of our own nation.