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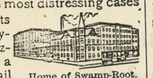
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A PARROT'S MESSAGE

Once upon a time in faraway Persia there lived a merchant who had a very beautiful parrot. He had bought the bird of a trader from Hindustan. He kept it in a fine large cage and took the greatest possible care of it. But the parrot pined for his native land and often implored his master to let him out so that he could go free. The merchant, however, always refused, as the bird was a very wise one and he valued it exceedingly.

One night the parrot heard the merchant laying plans for a journey to Hindustan, and the cunning bird laid a plan of his own, so that he, too, might go there on his own account. The next day the merchant told his friends what he proposed to do and asked them what presents they would like him to bring back from the wonderful land of jewels and elephants, whither he was going. So each of them chose something they would be pleased to have him get for them. The merchant then asked the parrot what present he would like. The parrot answered:

"Dear master, I only want you to take a message from me to any other parrots you may meet in Hindustan. Give them my compliments. Tell them I am shut up in a big cage here, but that I do not forget them. Tell them also I would like their advice and instruction. That is all."

The merchant promised faithfully to deliver the message, though he wondered somewhat at the words in which he was to address the parrots. Then he set out on his journey to Hindustan.

In due time he arrived there safely, and for awhile he was so busy he forgot about the parrot's message. But one day as he was passing through an open field he saw several parrots in a tree overhead. Then he remembered what he had promised to his own parrot and stopped his horse under the tree. He called to the parrots and delivered the message to them, taking care to give it exactly as his parrot had worded it.

The parrots above him listened very attentively, and for awhile after they seemed to be considering. Then one of the parrots suddenly began to tremble and dropped down dead.

The merchant, perceiving this, was very much grieved at heart and blamed his own parrot for sending a message that had resulted in the death of one of his feathered relations. He went on his way and proceeded to finish his business in Hindustan and upon that being accomplished returned home. His family and friends welcomed him joyfully, and to each he gave the present they had chosen. Then the parrot asked him:

"Where is my present? Tell me what you said to the parrots in Hindustan and what they said in reply."

"Your message was the message of a fool," returned the merchant, "and I was a fool also to deliver it!"

The parrot appeared greatly astonished. "My lord," said he, "why this repentance, why this wrath, why this sorrow?" And the merchant answered, "I stated thy message to a flock of thy relatives, and one of them so felt the incense of thy grief at being a captive that he fell over and died of a broken heart." When the parrot heard this it, too, began to tremble and, falling from its perch, died likewise.

When the master saw this he was overwhelmed with sorrow because of the death of his bird friend and cast his cap on the ground as a token of his grief. Then he took up the body of the parrot and cast it out into the garden, when, lo! the cunning bird flew away to a high tree near by. At this his master flew into a great rage and demanded an explanation of his deceitful conduct.

Whereupon the parrot answered: "Dear master, you have been very kind to me, but liberty is sweet. How would you like to be shut up in a cage? But know that the parrot who fell down dead when he heard my message was only acting a part. By doing so he meant to convey to me through you the means of escape. I am now going back to Hindustan, but I will return again and bring you a present as a reward for your kindness to me as a captive. Farewell!" So saying the parrot flew away. He was absent so long the merchant concluded that he had forgotten all about his promised present in the joys of his recovered liberty.

But one day when the big Persian roses in the merchant's garden were all abloom and he himself was walking about and enjoying their fragrance he heard his name called and, looking up, beheld his old friend, Mr. Parrot, perched on a branch overhead and holding something in one crooked claw.

"Here, master," said the bird, "I have brought you your present. Wear it, and it will preserve you from all misfortune and harm. Hold out your robe, and I will drop it in." The merchant did as he was bidden, and the parrot dropped a shining something within its folds and immediately after flew away, never more to return.

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