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Naturally I had no reply to make to this patronizing speech, but my mother-in-law did not notice my silence, for a new idea had seized ker, and she could not rest until she had given it utterance.

ired Durkee. You mark my word, Alfred's sold his place, and he per-Richard is like putty in the hands of any one he likes. He'd swear the moon was made of green cheese if some man he liked told him it was.

lips closed. Her next word confirmed my judgment.

manded. that it's Alfred Durkee who put him up to this:

"But I think we can't pass final judgment until we know more about

know Richard.

truthfully echo her words. And when at last I escaped to my own room. and scated myself to go over the problem Dicky had so abruptly presented for my solving, I acknowledged that in this last selfish inconsiderate performance I knew my

And then the door opened, and a smiling, but a distinctly penitent Dicky, entered and bent above me, rubbing his cheek against mine.

not going to leave your boy up a stump like this, are you now?"

Are Most People Right-Handed?

Babies, like all young animals, are imitative in the extreme. They look around them, see how their parents do things and then seek to follow their example. In addition, they are usually trained from infancy to perform actions in certain ways, and as the cus-tom of centuries has decreed that the right hand shall be used for the performance of the majority of one-handed tasks, each new generation gets the "right-handed habit"-fostered by the placing of railings on steps, the teaching of penmanship in the schools, and

The use of the right hand, rather than the left, is, however, purely a matter of training. Most people correct their children when they show signs of being left-handed, considering that this is a species of abnormality which should be curbed, while, as a matter of fact, everyone should be able to use both hands with equal facility. Ambidextrous persons are, therefore, in the minority, custom having scored au almost complete victory over the intention of nature.

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