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A MISC: "VOUS CROW.

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Petted by Boys. Strangely enough, there was nothing of which this crow stood so much in fear as crows themselves. Often they would come perilously usar and "caw" at him. Helter skelter he would fly to the house and his relief was painfully manifested when he was safe inside the kitchen. Their wild life evidently had no charm for him. He was in terror of large snakes, too, but small ones he gob-bled up as fast as he could. It was a most effectual way of preventing them from frightening him when they grew bigger.

from frightsning him when they grew bigger. No attention was given to his educa-tion, but at last we discovered that he could repeat a word or phrase of a con-versation he had just heard. He could laugh like a human being and imitate the cackling of a hen. "Stop!" "Hel-lo!" "Hold on!" were favorite expres-sions of his, and generally his use of them was intelligent. He liked to perch on top of the barn and shout out "Stop!" at the farmers that went by in their wagons. If they reined in their horses, thinking it was some person that had called them, the success of his lit-tle joke would cause Jim to burst into immoderate laughter.

the joke would cause Jim to burst into immoderate laughter. He actually enjoyed being snowball-ed. He would stand upon an old tree stump and look saucily at the boys, as much as to say: "Come, now, here's a good shot! Why don't you hit me?" But Jim was always too quick for them. No how ager could hit him. He would No boy ever could hit him. He would dodge like lightning, laughing hoarsely as the ball flew harmlessly past or broke in pieces on the other side of the stump. Then up he would hop again, with an-other challenge, ready for the next snowball

He was not afraid of a gun. He would stand close by while one was being load-ed, and it might be fired off a number of times without baving any perceptible effect on him. But he was keenly alive to its danger, and the very moment the muzzle was pointed at him he lost no time in getting out of the way.

Jim was a very mischievons crow in-deed. When Grace, the baby, was learn-ing to walk, he would seize her slyly by the dress and cause her to fall. He would peck at the toes of the barefooted children that came for water and laugh heartily as he drove them dismond heartily as he drove them dismayed from the yard. Sometimes he would steal unnoticed down into the cellar. The blows he could give with his beak had the force of of a small hammer, so that it was a very easy matter for him to turn the spigot of a barrel. One was pretty apt to discover after such a visit that all the vinegar had run out on the floor.—Malcolm Douglas in St. Nicho-

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