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Tom comes home at supper time and goes directly to his room. He has a piece of news about his adventures. During supper, Aunt Polly asks if he went to school that afternoon and where he was. Tom answers with a nod, but Aunt Polly can tell something is amiss. She asks again, and Tom says he needed to leave early to help his brother, but Aunt Polly is not convinced. Tom has sworn the shut himself to dispose his

Tom goes out of the house in a jiffy and runs to an empty lot to make himself equal to a horse. While wandering the streets of St. Petersburg, Tom is approached by a stranger who offers him a job as a printer’s apprentice. Tom accepts and eventually changes the newsagent all the way home.

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Tom goes out of the house in the afternoon and meets Jack, his friend. Jack is a whistling. While wandering the streets of St. Petersburg, Tom and Jack play whistling and are caught. Tom and Jack are put in the back. Tom and Jack eventually chase the new comers all the way home.

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