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Tom comes home at suppertime. His father, who has just been released from the penitentiary, tells Tom he will be skipped school that afternoon and won’t return to the house. Tom is left to his own devices. He goes into town and meets Ben Rogers, a local gambler. Tom has sworn the boy to secrecy about his adventures. During supper, Aunt Polly asks Tom why he is not at school. Tom lies, saying he had to run errands. Aunt Polly is satisfied.

Tom goes out of the house in a whirlwind. While wandering the streets of St. Petersburg, Tom and the new arrival meet a group of boys. Tom’s presence is not welcome, and eventually, he is chased all the way home.

When he returns home in the evening, Tom finds Aunt Polly waiting for him. She notices his dirtied clothes and resolves to make him work the next day, a Saturday, as punishment.

On Saturday morning, Aunt Polly sends Tom out to whitewash the fence. Jim passes by, and Tom tries to get him to do some of the whitewashing in return for a “white alley,” a kind of mealie. Jim almost agrees, but Aunt Polly appears and chases him off, leaving Tom alone with his task.
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Tom comes home at suppertime, clothes black and torn, but smart, and his collar is still new from the dry goods store, but flat, Tom’s called out by the nurse to wash his mouth. He sits down and chews his bread and shows her that his collar is still new from the dry goods store, but flat.

Tom goes out of the house into the street, but Aunt Polly is satisfied. He sees the first rays of sunshine in the east, and he feels light and happy. When he returns home in the evening, Tom finds Aunt Polly waiting for him. She notices his dirtied clothes and resolves to make him work the next day, a Saturday, as punishment.

On Saturday morning, Aunt Polly sends Tom out to whitewash the fence. Tom promises to, and Tom tries to get him to do some of the whitewashing in return for a “white alley,” a kind of marble. Tom almost agrees, but Aunt Polly appears and chases him off, leaving Tom alone with his labors.

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