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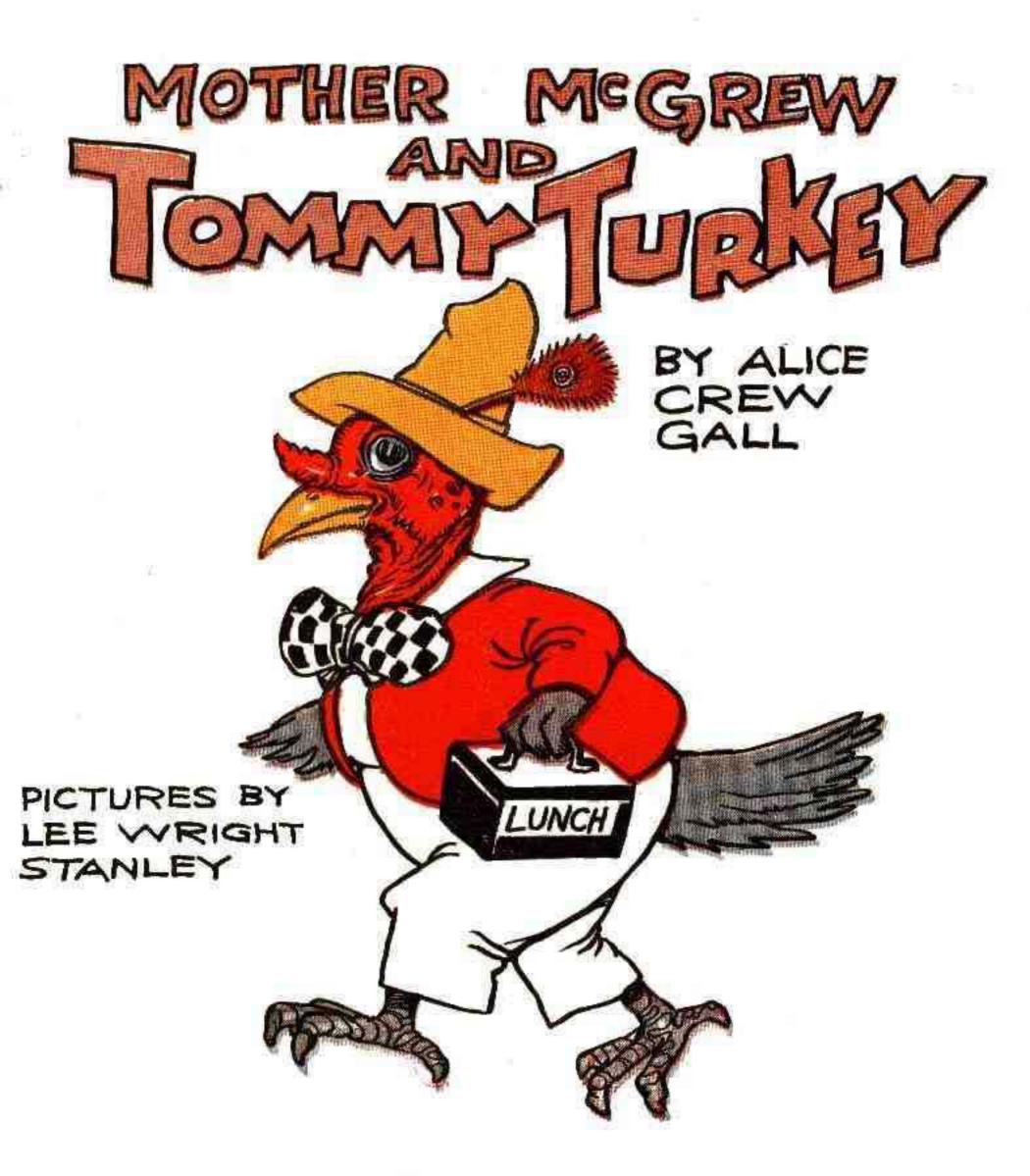
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MOTHER McGREW gave many sharp lessons to our animal friends, and these stories and pictures tell how it happened to them and why! Each story carries a startling idea for every little boy and girl. These readable rhymes in a witty way describe a very common incident with a bright moral climax. The jingles are as easily remembered as the best of Mother Goose rhymes, and each one impresses a fact about good manners that is very familiar to all children. Nothing but the right idea needed for good children can ever be found in the meaning or corrections of Mother McGrew.

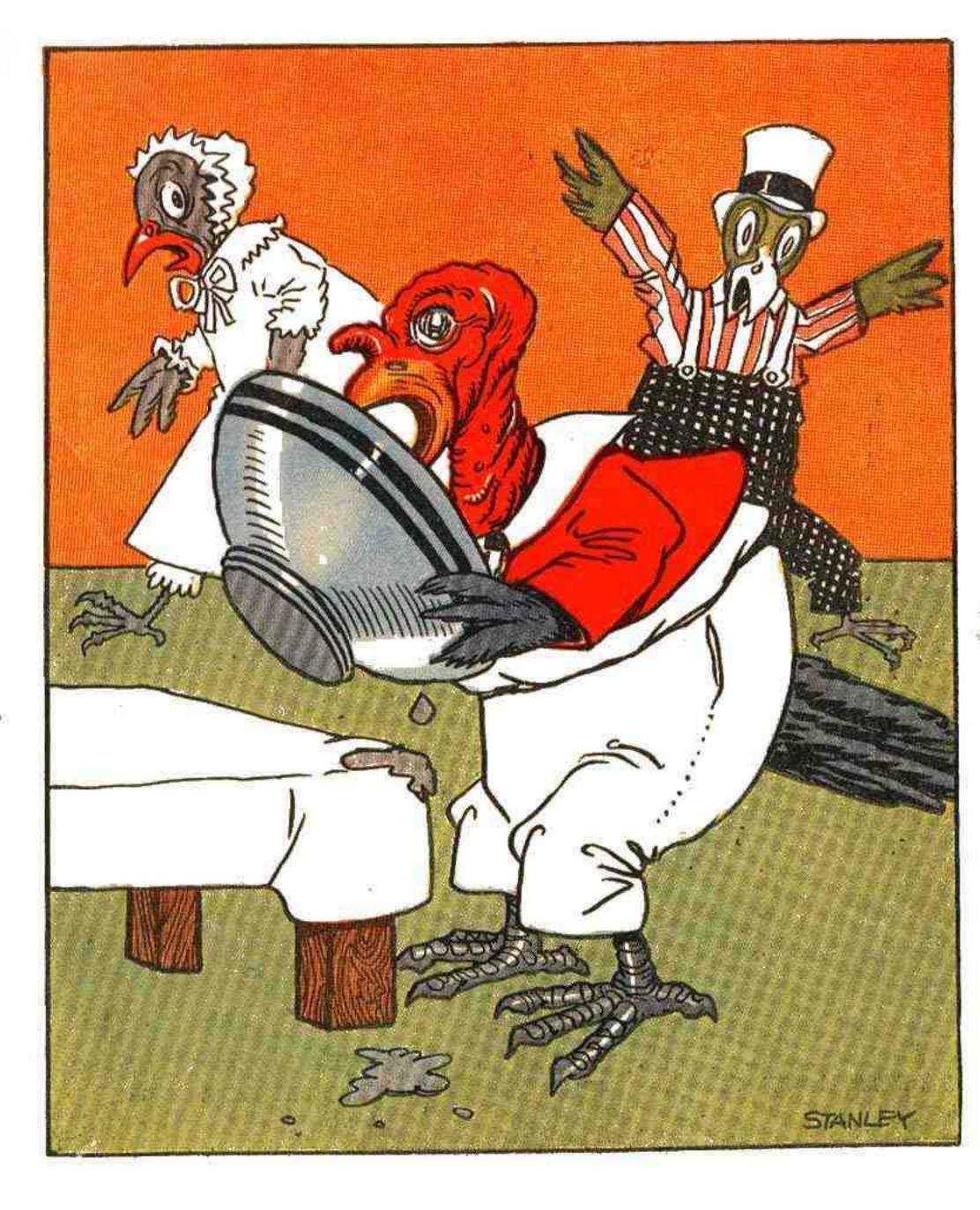
MOTHER McGREW and TOMMY TURKEY

One of the children of Mother McGrew

Was young Tommy Turkey of whom I'll tell you.

In most ways young Tom was passably good,

But he had one fault; he would gobble his food.



Old Mother McGrew used to say "Tom, my lad,

"Your manners at meals are disgracefully bad;

"You surely will have indigestion some day

"Unless you eat slowly; now mark what I say."



But Tom kept on eating as fast as he could;

The scolding of Mother McGrew did no good.

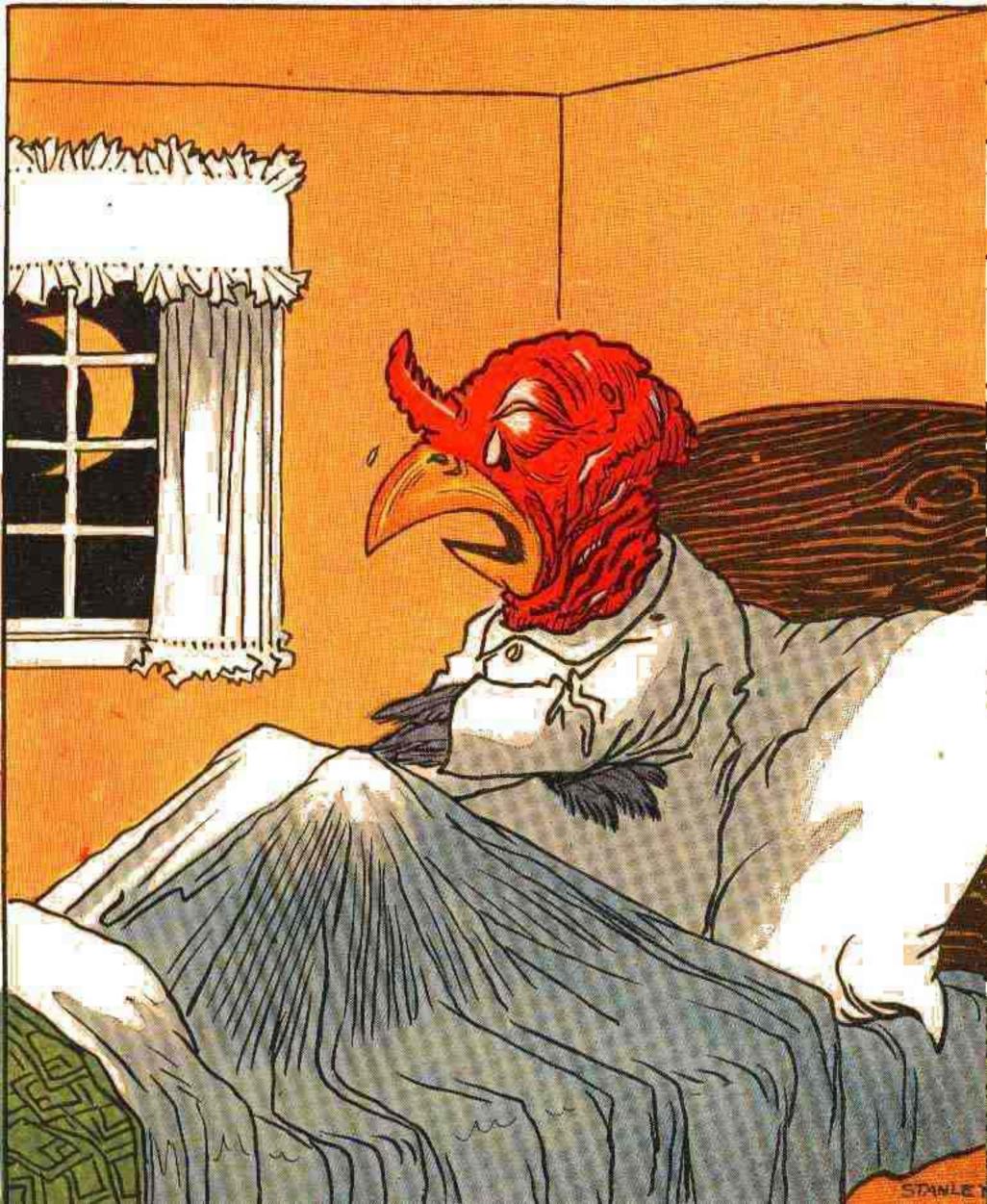
And many a night shewould get up and make

A plaster for Tom when his gizzard would ache.



And while he was aching and all full of pain He'd say "I'll do better, and never again "Will I eat so fast"; but the very next day He'd go right on eating in

just the same way.

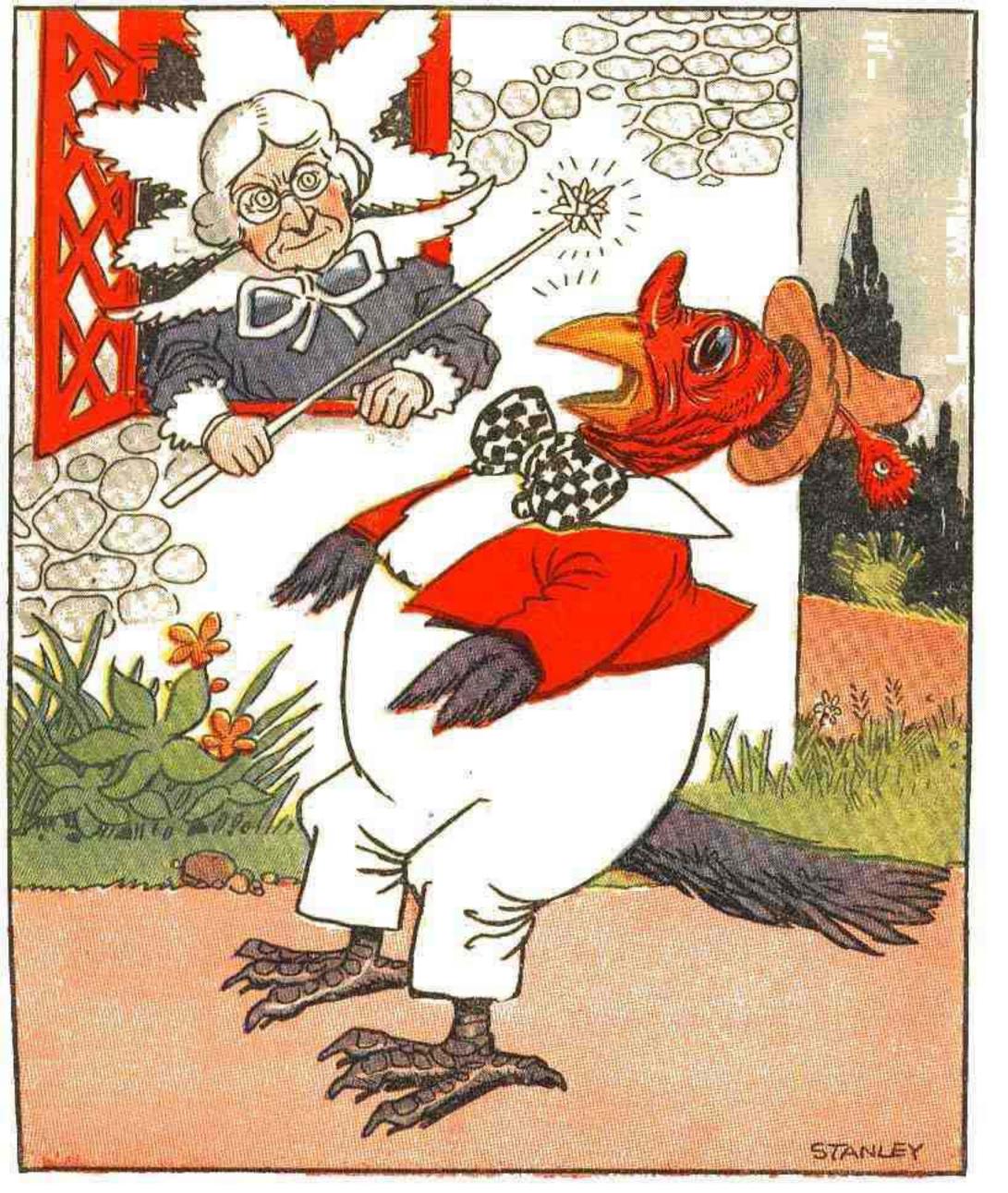


Till finally, good Mother McGrew said "Dear, dear!

"I'll just have to teach you a lesson, I fear."

Said she, "When I tap you three times on the beak

"You'll tell of your fault every time that you speak."

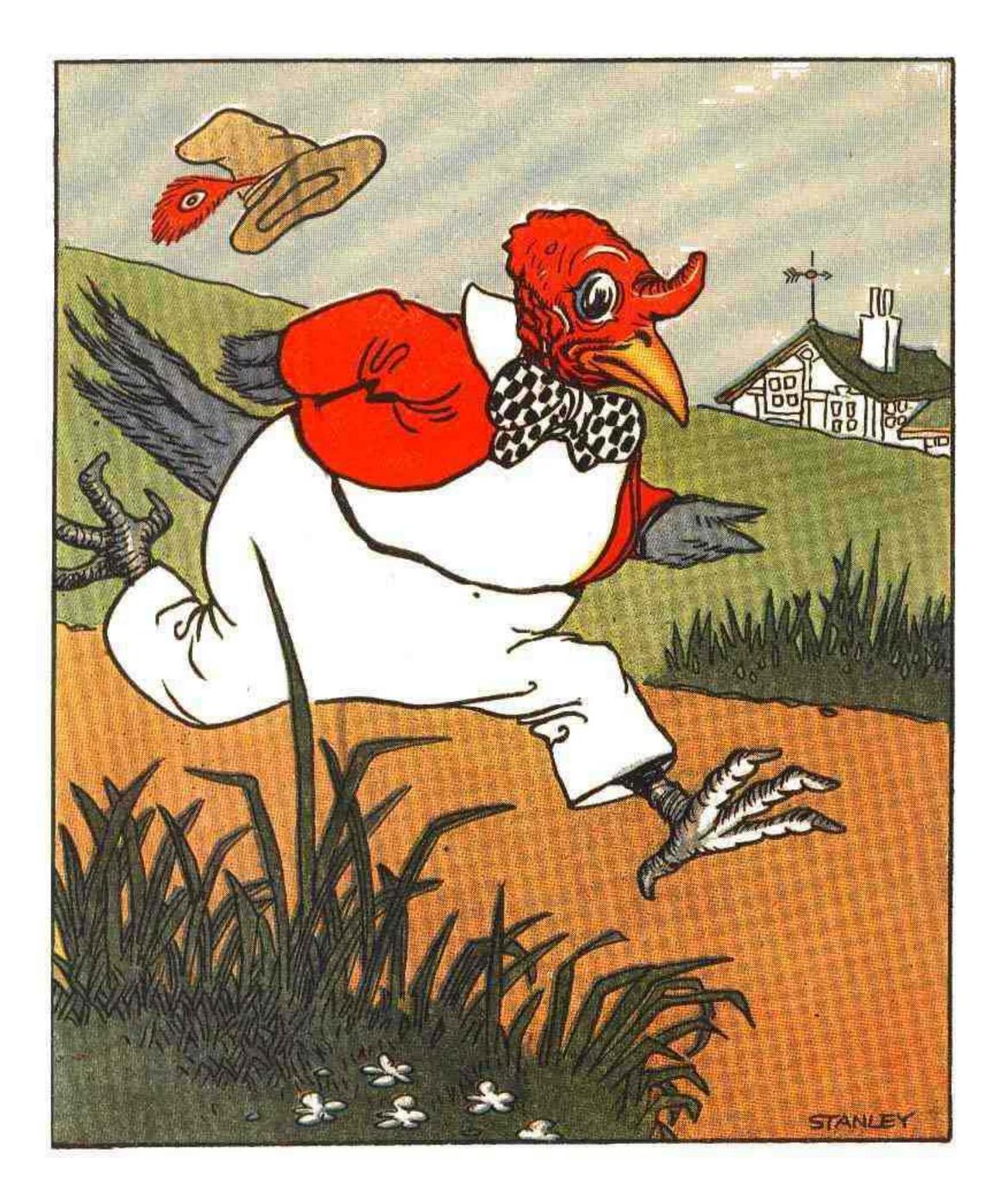


She tapped him three times with her magical stick

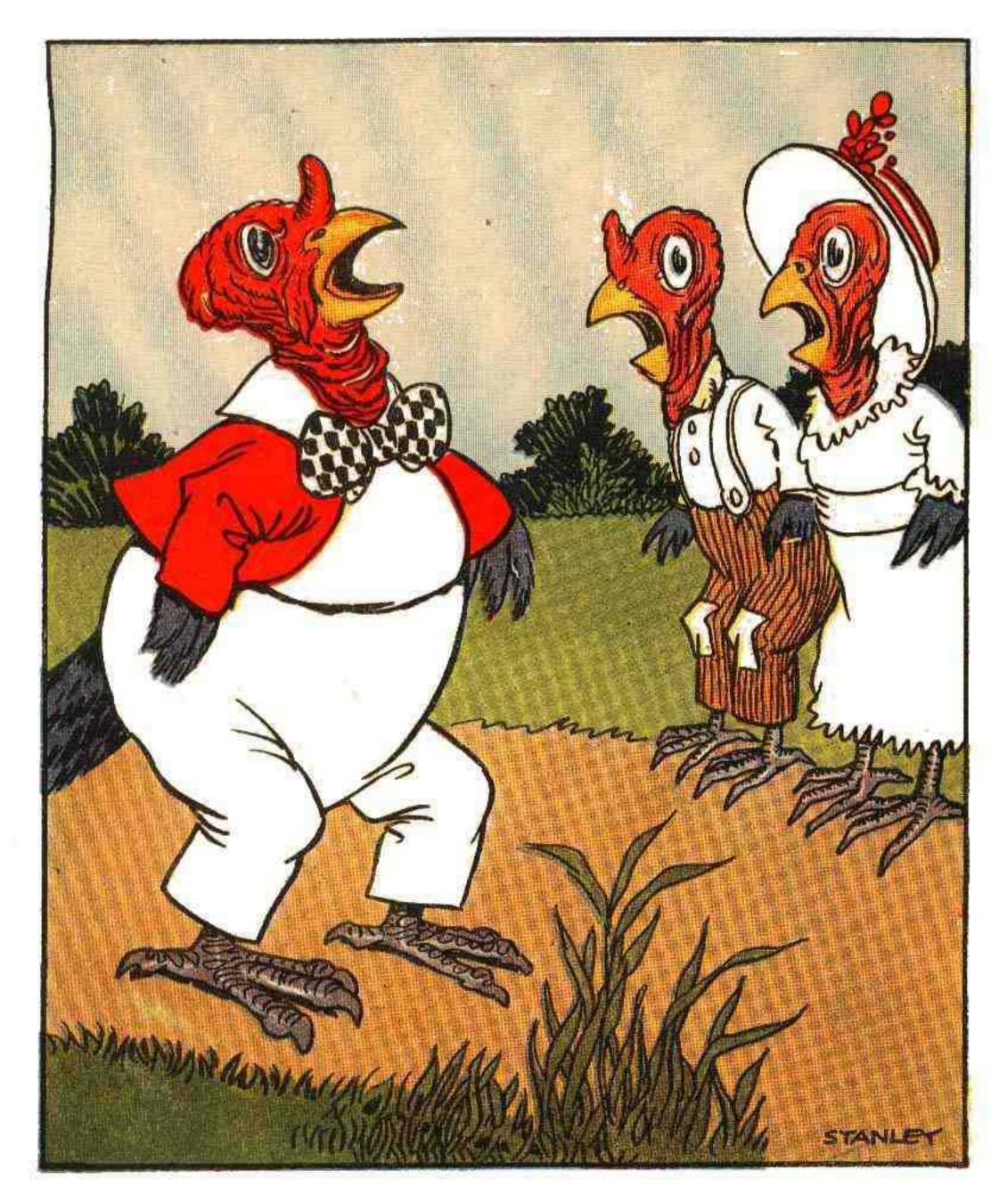
And though he let on not to care, he ran quick

To the field where his playmates were taking a walk,

And to see what would happen he started to talk.



Though it may sound funny it really is so; He said "Gobble, gobble," instead of "Hello." And if you'll believe me, to this very day That's every last word that a turkey can say.



I don't see how anything could be much worse Than to tell of our faults every time we converse. So mend your bad habits before it's too late And you're overtaken by Tom Turkey's fate. The End.

