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Tom comes home at supper. He tells Aunt Polly about his adventures. During supper, Aunt Polly asks Tom how he has been doing at school. She is pleased to hear that Tom has been a good student and has not been skipped school that afternoon and even reveals that his grade is still a B-minus, but still, Tom’s half-brother, Joe, is her favorite. Tom’s aunt is satisfied.

Tom goes out of the house into the street. He runs into a man selling newspapers. Tom buys a copy and reads about the war. He is shocked to read about the destruction and eventual loss of the newspaper.

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Tom comes home at supper, looking around for his hat and coat, which have been stolen. His father has been sick and in the hospital, and Tom knows he will be skipped school that afternoon and have extra recreation. Tom is let out and goes to see Aunt Polly. Tom is told he will have to work for the new arrival in the family. Tom and the new arrival, a Brainerd and Davenport, spend the afternoon soaping and eventually choose the newcomer as the wayhouse.

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