Tom Sawyer lives with aunt polly and his half-brother sid. He skips school to swim and is made to whitewash the fence the next day as punishment. He clearly persuades his friends to trade him small treasures for the pprivlege of doing his work. He then trades the treasures for Sunday school tickets which one normally receives for memorizing verses constantly, redeeming them for a bible, much the supriseand bewilderment of the superintendent who thought “it was simply preposterous that this boy had warehoused two thousandsheaves of scriptural wisdom on his premises-a dozen would sterain his capacity, without a doubt.

Tom falls in love with Becky Thatcher, a new girl in town, and persuades her to get “Engaged” by kissing him. But their romance collapses when she learns Tom has